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WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY

Notice of 2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders and Proxy Statement

Willis Group Holdings Public Limited Company

Grand Mill Quay, Barrow Street Dublin 4, Ireland June 5, 2013

Dear Willis Shareholder,

You are cordially invited to attend our Annual General Meeting of Shareholders at 9:00 a.m. GMT on Tuesday, July 23, 2013, to be held at the Four Seasons Hotel, Simmonscourt Road, Dublin 4, Ireland.

In addition to the matters described in the attached Notice of Annual General Meeting and Proxy Statement, you will have an opportunity to meet your directors and executive officers. Your representation and vote are important and your ordinary shares should be voted whether or not you plan to come to the Annual General Meeting. Please complete, sign, date and return your proxy card promptly.

In reviewing the Proxy Statement, beginning on page 13, you will find detailed information about the qualifications of our director nominees and why we believe they are the right people to represent you. You will see that in response to the advisory vote on 2011 named executive officer compensation, and as part of our Compensation Committee's ongoing commitment to explore ways in which the Company's executive compensation programs can be improved, in 2012 we began a shareholder outreach program that involved shareholders representing 73% of the Company's shares. Through this engagement with our shareholders, review of emerging best practices, and analysis and review by the Compensation Committee's independent Compensation Consultant, the Board and the Compensation Committee determined to take the actions described in the "2013 Proxy Statement Highlights" on page 1 and in the "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" section on page 39.

These changes reflect the Board's and Compensation Committee's commitment to respond to shareholder feedback and create appropriate incentives for executives to improve individual and Company performance so as to enhance shareholder value. We hope you recognize the value of our approach to executive compensation and will provide your endorsement when voting.

As part of our management succession plan announced in October 2012, I stepped down as Chief Executive Officer on January 6, 2013 and Dominic Casserley assumed CEO responsibilities and joined the Board of Directors. In addition, on July 7, 2013, a few weeks before our annual meeting, I will retire from the Board. I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you for the privilege it has been for me to lead Willis these past 12 years and to help prepare our firm for its next stage.

Yours sincerely,

Joseph J. Plumeri

Chairman of the Board of Directors

WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY Grand Mill Quay Barrow Street, Dublin 4, Ireland

NOTICE OF 2013 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS to be held on Tuesday, July 23, 2013

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 2013 Annual General Meeting of Willis Group Holdings Public Limited Company ("Willis" or the "Company"), a company incorporated under the laws of Ireland, will be held at 9:00 a.m. GMT on Tuesday, July 23, 2013 at the Four Seasons Hotel, Simmonscourt Road, Dublin 4, Ireland for the following purposes:

- 1. To elect 12 directors;
- 2. To ratify the reappointment of Deloitte LLP as independent auditors until the close of the next Annual General Meeting of Shareholders and to authorize the Board of Directors, acting through the Audit Committee, to fix the auditor's remuneration;
- 3. To cast an advisory vote to approve named executive officer compensation; and
- 4. To consider and vote on such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

During the Annual General Meeting, the directors will present the Company's financial statements for the period ended December 31, 2012 prepared in accordance with Irish law ("Irish Statutory Accounts") and the reports of the directors and auditors. Shareholders present at the meeting will have an opportunity to ask any relevant and appropriate questions regarding the Irish Statutory Accounts and related reports to the representatives of our independent auditor who will be in attendance at the meeting.

Only shareholders of record on May 31, 2013 are entitled to receive notice of, and to attend and vote, in person or by proxy, at the meeting and any adjournment or postponement of the meeting. A shareholder who is entitled to attend the meeting and vote is entitled to appoint one or more proxies to attend, speak and vote. A proxy need not be a member of the Company. Company shareholders of record who attend the meeting may vote their ordinary shares personally at the meeting, even if they have sent in proxies. This Notice and Proxy Statement are being mailed or made available on the Internet to shareholders on or around June 10, 2013, together with a copy of the Company's 2012 Annual Report and Irish Statutory Accounts, which includes financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2012.

Your vote is important. Whether you own one share or many, we greatly appreciate your prompt cooperation in voting your proxy. Please follow the instructions on the proxy card you receive. If you received this Proxy Statement by regular mail, you may cast your vote by mail, by telephone, or over the Internet by following the instructions on the enclosed proxy card. If you are accessing this Proxy Statement through the Internet after receiving a Notice of Internet Availability, you may cast your vote by telephone or over the Internet by following the instructions set out in that notice.

On Behalf of the Board of Directors, Nicole Napolitano Group Company Secretary June 5, 2013

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Company's Annual General Meeting of Shareholders to be held on July 23, 2013. This Proxy Statement, the Company's 2012 Annual Report and the Irish Statutory Accounts are available, at www.proxyvote.com.

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For more complete information about the topics discussed below, please review the entire Proxy Statement.

2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders

Date and Time: July 23, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. GMT. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. GMT.

Place: Four Seasons Hotel, Simmonscourt Road, Dublin 4 Ireland

Record Date: May 31, 2013

Voting: Shareholders as of the record date are entitled to vote. Each share is entitled to one vote for each director

nominee and each of the other proposals.

Attendance: All shareholders may attend the meeting.

Meeting Agenda and Voting Recommendations

Proposals Board Recommendation

1. Election of directors For Each Nominee

2. Ratification of the reappointment of Deloitte LLP as our independent auditors For

3. Advisory vote on our named executive officer compensation For

1. Election of Directors

We are asking you to vote "FOR" each of the director nominees listed below. All incumbent directors attended at least 75% of Board and relevant committee meetings in 2012. Set forth below is summary information about each nominee at the 2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders and the Committees they will sit on effective immediately after the meeting. For information regarding the current composition of the Board Committees as of May 31, 2013, see "Corporate Governance —The Board's Committees." Other than our Chief Executive Officer, Dominic Casserley, each director nominee qualifies as independent under applicable standards.

Nominee	Age	Director Since	Summary Background	Committee Membership
Dominic Casserley	55	2013	CEO of Willis Group Holdings plc	• Executive
Anna C. Catalano	53	2006	Former Group Vice President, Marketing for BP plc	CompensationGovernance
Sir Roy Gardner	67	2006	Chairman of Compass Group, PLC	ExecutiveRisk (Chairman)
The Rt. Hon. Sir Jeremy Hanley, KCMG	67	2006	Former Member of Parliament for Richmond and Barnes	• Audit

Nominee	Age	Director Since	Summary Background	Committee Membership
Robyn S. Kravit	61	2008	Chief Executive Officer of Tethys Research, LLC	• Risk
Wendy E. Lane	62	2004	Chairman of Lane Holdings, Inc.	AuditCompensation (Chairman)Executive
Francisco Luzón	65	Nominee	Former Executive Board Member and General Manager of the Latin American Division of Banco Santander, S.A.	• Governance
James F. McCann	61	2004	Chairman and CEO of 1-800-Flowers	ExecutiveGovernance (Chairman)
Jaymin Patel	45	Nominee	President and Chief Executive Officer of GTECH Americas	• Compensation
Douglas B. Roberts	64	2003	Professor and the Director for Institute of Public Policy and Social Research —Michigan State University	Audit (Chairman)Executive
Dr. Michael J. Somers	70	2010	Former CEO of Irish National Treasury Management Agency	• Audit
Jeffrey W. Ubben	51	Nominee	Founder, CEO and the Chief Investment Officer of ValueAct Capital	• Risk

In considering whether to vote for the above director nominees, you should also consider the following changes to our corporate governance practices, which were all approved by the incumbent director nominees.

Recent Corporate Governance Changes

- Splitting the CEO and Chairman roles and appointing James McCann to be the independent Chairman upon Mr. Plumeri's replacement.
- Requiring the CEO to seek approval of the Governance Committee before serving on any other public company board.

- Maintaining the position of a Presiding Independent Director in the event the director serving as Chairman is not independent.
- Revising share ownership guidelines for executive officers and adopting retention policy.
- Prohibiting margin accounts and pledging of shares by directors and executive officers.
- Restricting directors (other than the CEO) from serving on the boards of more than 3 publicly-traded companies in addition to the Company's board. As noted above, the CEO is further restricted.
- Requiring a director who experiences materially changed circumstances to offer his or her resignation from the Board.
- Changing the slate of its Committees in connection with its annual review.

You should also consider the following other highlights of our corporate governance practices which may be relevant to your evaluation of the director nominees.

Other Corporate Governance Highlights

- Annual election of directors.
- As of the 2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, all directors (except the CEO), will be independent.
- Majority voting for directors in uncontested elections; directors that do not receive a majority vote are not elected to the Board.
- Separate Board Risk Committee provides additional oversight of risk management.
- Active Board participation in succession planning.

- Executive sessions of independent directors at regularly scheduled Board and Committee meetings.
- Significant share ownership guidelines for directors.
- Annual Board and Committee self-evaluations.
- Continuing director education.

2. Ratification of the Reappointment of Independent Auditors

The Audit Committee recommended that the Board ratify the reappointment of Deloitte LLP as the Company's independent auditor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2013, and the Board did so in February 2013. We are asking you to ratify the reappointment of Deloitte LLP as the Company's independent auditors and to authorize the Board, acting through the Audit Committee, to fix the auditor's remuneration.

3. Advisory Vote on Named Executive Officer Compensation

We are asking for your support for our named executive officer compensation as described in this Proxy Statement. While your vote is advisory, and not binding on the Compensation Committee or the Board of Directors, they will consider the outcome of the vote and any concerns raised by

shareholders when determining future compensation arrangements. In deciding how to vote, we encourage you to consider key features of our 2012 compensation program as well as our investor outreach and redesign of our 2013 named executive officer compensation program discussed below.

Compensation Philosophy

The Company's objective is to attract and retain highly qualified and talented executives and professionals. We also aim to create appropriate incentives for our executives to improve their individual performance with the objective of improving the Company's long-term performance, and as a result, to create value and wealth for our shareholders. These objectives form the basis of the Company's compensation philosophy. The key components of our compensation philosophy are:

- Base salary, which is designed to provide a fixed level of remuneration to fairly compensate executives for their time and effort based on the individual's role, experience and skill;
- Annual incentive compensation, which is designed to incent and reward our named executive officers for their contribution in generating strong financial performance at the Company, and strong financial or strategic performance, at their business or functional unit; and
- Long-term incentive compensation with both performance-based and time-based components, which is designed to both reward performance and help ensure retention.

Through these elements we seek to align the compensation of our named executive officers with the Company's performance.

The Company's 2012 Performance and Named Executive Officer Compensation

2012 was characterized by an ongoing challenging macroeconomic environment, especially in two of our key geographic regions, Western Europe and North America. Reported Earnings Per Share ("EPS") was (\$2.58) and Adjusted EPS was \$2.58 (\$2.52 excluding the impact of foreign exchange) and our reported Operating Margin was (6.0%) and Adjusted Operating Margin was 21.6% (20.9% excluding the impact of foreign exchange). This compares to 2011 reported EPS of \$1.15 and Adjusted EPS of \$2.74 and reported Operating Margin of 16.4% and Adjusted Operating Margin of 22.5%.1

In a difficult environment, however, the Company also delivered the following:

- 1.3% reported commissions and fees growth and 3.1% organic commissions and fees growth;
- Significant improvement in the Company's financial performance in the fourth quarter, with 7.5% organic commissions and fees growth (representing the best organic growth result in over six years) and improvement in Adjusted Operating Margin by 40 basis points; and
- Substantive progress on key growth initiatives (pipeline development and management, producer retention, and recruitment) and operational initiatives (Financial Transformation Project, global brokerage systems, global placement system).

¹ We refer to organic growth in commissions and fees, Adjusted EPS and Adjusted Operating Margin, which are Non-GAAP financial measures. A reconciliation of our GAAP to Non-GAAP financial information can be found in Exhibit A.

While these results showed positive momentum moving into 2013, they did not meet established incentive targets, and, accordingly, the payout of our named executive officers' 2012 annual incentive compensation awards was below target.

Mr. Plumeri's annual incentive compensation award was calculated under the terms of his 2010 employment agreement, and was based on the Company's performance measured by growth in Adjusted EPS (for 50% of the award) and Adjusted Operating Margin (for the remaining 50%). The Committee set "threshold," "target" and "stretch" payout goals of 250%, 375% and 500%, respectively, of his base salary. After the 2012 budget had been approved, however, because of slow EPS growth compared to 2011, Mr. Plumeri proposed and the Compensation Committee agreed, to reduce his target payout from 375% to 250%. Based on the Company's performance in 2012, Mr. Plumeri was awarded an annual incentive compensation award of \$905,963, representing 24% of his original target payout and 36% of his revised target payout.

The annual incentive compensation awards for our four other named executive officers were based on a combination of the Company's performance (60%) and individual and business unit performance (40%)². Based on that formula, the annual incentive compensation awards to our named executive officers were as follows:

- Michael Neborak was awarded \$528,000, representing 88% of his target payout.
- Stephen Hearn was awarded £815,000 (or \$1,291,775), representing 93% of his target payout.
- Timothy Wright was awarded £775,000 (or \$1,228,375), representing 89% of his target payout.
- Victor Krauze was awarded \$910,000. While he does not have a formal annual incentive compensation award target, this represents 74% of the target used for Messrs. Hearn and Wright.

Each named executive officer also received long-term incentive awards. Based on the Company's financial performance, the performance-based portion of the awards was reduced to 88% of the grant value. As a result, the value of the named executive officers' 2012 long-term incentive awards were as follows: Joseph Plumeri (\$5,280,000); Michael Neborak (\$940,000); Stephen Hearn £1,304,732 (or \$2,068,000); Timothy Wright £889,590 (or \$1,410,000); and Victor Krauze (\$1,128,000). Stephen Hearn also received 6,500 restricted stock units in connection with his promotion to Chairman and CEO of Willis Global.

Redesign of our Named Executive Officer Compensation for 2013

At our 2012 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, a majority of votes cast were in favor of the compensation of the Company's named executive officers. Shareholder support, however, was sharply lower than the prior year. The Board and the Compensation Committee, with assistance from management, responded by:

• Beginning a shareholder outreach program that involved shareholders representing approximately 73% of the Company's shares and engaging in substantive discussions with investors representing over 40% of the Company's shares.

² The Company performance portion (60%) was calculated measuring Adjusted EPS against a target of \$2.74 (50%) and Adjusted Operating Margin against a target of 21.8% (50%).

- Seeking advice from its independent compensation consultant, Towers Watson, regarding the design of the Company's new CEO compensation package, including the level of pay relative to the market, the mix of fixed to variable pay components and the relationship of the CEO's pay level compared to the other named executive officers' compensation.
- Revising Company financial metrics for its annual incentive compensation awards and performance-based long-term incentive awards to differentiate between and to emphasize both short-term and long-term financial performance.
 - For annual incentive compensation awards for 2013, the Board and the Compensation Committee replaced previously used metrics, Adjusted EPS and Adjusted Operating Margin, with organic commissions and fees growth and Adjusted EBITDA. The Board selected those metrics because they believe they are key drivers of increasing cash flow and, therefore, important constituents of shareholder value creation. Additionally, Adjusted EBITDA (which excludes the impact of noncash expenses, depreciation and amortization) is an appropriate short-term metric because it measures cash-based operating income and ensures that appropriate investment in the Company is encouraged.
 - For the long-term incentive compensation awards for 2013, the Board and the Compensation Committee eliminated the one-year performance period targets and adopted three-year performance period targets to encourage sustained financial performance. They also replaced previously used metrics, Adjusted EPS and Adjusted Operating Margin, with organic commissions and fees growth and Adjusted EBIT (modified by a cost of capital charge for acquisitions or a cost of capital credit for dispositions made during the performance period). Adjusted EBIT (modified as described above) is an appropriate long-term metric because it provides management accountability for investment decisions (mergers and acquisitions and capital expenditures) over time.
- · Adopting a strict policy prohibiting directors and executive officers from entering into margin accounts or pledging shares.
- Confirming our philosophy that incentive pay should be performance driven and not guaranteed. Accordingly, unless there are material and compelling circumstances (*i.e.*, on a limited basis, in connection with new hires), the Compensation Committee will not approve guaranteed incentive awards. As discussed further below, our new Chief Executive Officer's compensation does not include any guaranteed annual incentive compensation awards.
- Revising our executive officer share ownership guidelines to require each executive officer to own shares equivalent in value to a multiple of his or her base salary, as set forth below:

Position	Multiple
Group CEO	6.0 x base salary
Executive Officers Leading Major Business Units and Group CFO	3.0 x base salary
Other Executive Officers	2.0 x base salary

Executives are required to retain at least 50% of the net shares received under equity award programs until the ownership guidelines are met.

The Board and the Compensation Committee will continue to review the Company's executive compensation programs and make improvements as appropriate.

The impact of some of these changes will not be reflected in the named executive compensation reported in the Summary Compensation Table until our 2013 executive compensation is reported in our 2014 Proxy Statement. In addition, because the Compensation Discussion and Analysis and the Summary Compensation Table focus on the compensation of our Chief Executive Officer during fiscal 2012, they reflect the compensation of our former CEO, Joseph J. Plumeri, who resigned effective January 6, 2013.

Compensation Highlights for Our New CEO

In January 2013, the Board appointed Dominic Casserley as the Company's new CEO. The Company recruited Mr. Casserley from McKinsey & Company, where he led McKinsey's Greater China Practice and its UK and Ireland Practice and served as a senior partner and member of the firm's global board. At the same time the Board promoted Mr. Stephen Hearn to the new role of Deputy CEO. Mr. Hearn has been employed by the Company for almost four years and in January 2012 was promoted to Chairman and CEO of Willis Global, encompassing the Company's global reinsurance, placement and specialty, operations. The Board believes the combination of Mr. Casserley's external perspective and broad global experience and Mr. Hearn's internal perspective and deep industry experience is a powerful partnership to drive the Company's strategic direction.

Consistent with the Compensation Committee's and Board's compensation philosophy for 2013 and beyond, we structured Mr. Casserley's compensation as follows:

- Lowered the CEO's total target pay package by over 25% compared to Mr. Plumeri resulting in less disparity between the compensation of the CEO and other named executive officers.
- Lowered the CEO's amount of fixed pay by almost 45% and added a cap on his annual incentive compensation awards.
- Provided the CEO, as a transition payment, with a one-time sign-on cash award of \$1,500,000, which will not be paid until the start of his second year of service. We believed this payment was reasonable and consistent with market practice given that our CEO was moving from McKinsey & Company's all-cash based compensation system to a system that combines cash and equity.
- Provided that the CEO's 2013 annual incentive compensation awards, if any, will be paid partially in equity.
- Revised the CEO's 2013 annual incentive award to be based 80% on the Company's financial metrics and 20% on strategic goals, with no guaranteed payment.
- Continued the practice of providing a double trigger for accelerating vesting of the CEO's equity upon a change of control.

Other Compensation Highlights

Other relevant parts of our compensation program are as follows:

- Annual "say on pay" vote (as recommended by the Board and management in 2011 and as supported by a majority of shareholders).
- Clawback policy applicable to executive officers for incentive payments and equity-based awards.
- Significant share ownership guidelines for executive officers and outside directors and related retention policy.
- Prohibition on margin accounts and pledging of shares by directors and executive officers.
- No dividends paid on earned or unearned performance-based restricted share units.
- Independent evaluation of alignment of realizable pay to relative long-term performance.
- 4. 2014 Annual General Meeting Shareholder Submission Dates
 - Deadline for nominations for election to the Board:
 - Deadline for Rule 14a-8 shareholder proposals for inclusion in the Proxy Statement:
 - Date beyond which the Company is able to confer discretionary authority to vote on shareholder proposals on its appointees:

- Independent compensation consultant selected and overseen by the Compensation Committee.
- No option repricings without shareholder approval.
- Minimal perquisites for executives.
- No excise tax gross-ups.
- Compensation Committee oversight of risks associated with compensation policies and practices.

January 11, 2014 February 10, 2014

April 26, 2014

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROXY MATERIALS AND THE 2013 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

References to "shares" in this Proxy Statement are to the ordinary shares, nominal value \$0.000115 per share, of the Company.

Why am I receiving these materials?

We are making this Proxy Statement available to you on or around June 10, 2013 because the Board of Directors is soliciting your proxy to vote at the Company's 2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders on July 23, 2013. The information provided in this Proxy Statement is for your use in deciding how to vote on the proposals described below.

The Proxy Statement and the following documents are available on the website at www.proxyvote.com and the Company's website at www.willis.com:

- Our Notice of Annual General Meeting of Shareholders and Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials;
- Our Annual Report, which includes financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2012; and
- Our Irish Statutory Accounts for the period ended December 31, 2012, and the reports of the directors and auditors thereon.

If you request, we will deliver to you a printed version of these materials.

How will the proxy materials be distributed and are they available on the Internet?

The instructions for accessing proxy materials and voting can be found in the information you received.

For shareholders who received a notice by mail about the Internet availability of proxy materials: You may access the proxy materials and voting instructions over the Internet via the web address provided in the Notice of Internet Availability. In order to access this material and vote, you will need the control number provided on the notice you received in the mail. You may vote by following the instructions on the notice or on the website.

For shareholders who received the proxy materials by mail: You may vote your shares by following the instructions provided on the proxy card or voting instruction form. If you vote by Internet or telephone, you will need the control number provided on the proxy card or voting instruction form. If you vote by mail, please complete, sign and date the proxy card or voting instruction form and mail it in the accompanying pre-addressed envelope.

You have the right to request paper copies of the proxy materials, free of charge, regardless of whether you are a record or beneficial owner of shares. Shareholders of record may request paper copies by contacting the Company Secretary or by following the instructions contained in the notice. If you hold shares through brokers, banks or other nominees, you should receive written instructions on how to request paper copies of the proxy materials if you so desire. We recommend that you contact your broker, bank or other nominee if you do not receive these instructions along with the Company's proxy documents.

Why are there two sets of financial statements covering the same period?

Under applicable U.S. securities laws, we are required to send to you our financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2012. These financial statements, included in our Annual Report, are available on the website at www.proxyvote.com and the Company's website at www.willis.com and, if you request, will be delivered in a printed version to you. Under Irish company law, we are also required to provide you with our Irish Statutory Accounts, including the reports of our directors and auditors thereon, which accounts have been prepared in accordance with Irish law. The Irish Statutory Accounts are available on the website at www.proxyvote.com and the Company's website at www.proxyvote.com and the Company's website at www.willis.com, will be presented at the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders to be held on July 23, 2013 and, if you request, will be delivered in a printed version to you.

What is the recommendation of the Board of Directors on each proposal scheduled to be voted on at the meeting? How do the Board of Directors and executive officers intend to vote with respect to the agenda items?

The Company's Board of Directors recommends that you vote **FOR** the election of each of the directors; **FOR** the ratification of the reappointment of Deloitte LLP as the Company's independent auditors and the authorization of the Board of Directors, acting through the Audit Committee, to fix the independent auditor's remuneration; and **FOR** the approval, on an advisory basis, of the compensation of our named executive officers.

Our directors and executive officers have indicated that they intend to vote their shares in favor of each of the proposals in accordance with the Board's recommendations. As of May 31, 2013, our current directors, director nominees and executive officers and their affiliates beneficially owned in the aggregate approximately 12% of our outstanding shares.

How do I attend the Annual General Meeting?

All shareholders of record on May 31, 2013 are invited to attend the Annual General Meeting in person. For admission to the meeting, shareholders of record should bring proof of identification and address. Those who have beneficial ownership of shares held by a bank, brokerage firm or other nominee should bring account statements or letters from their banks, brokers or other nominee showing that they owned Willis shares as of May 31, 2013. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. GMT on July 23, 2013 and the meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. GMT.

Who is entitled to vote?

Holders of our shares, as recorded in our share register on May 31, 2013, may vote at the meeting. As of May 31, 2013, the latest practicable date, there were 175,086,511 shares outstanding. Holders are entitled to one vote per share. A list of shareholders will be available for inspection for at least 10 days prior to the meeting at our offices at One World Financial Center, 200 Liberty Street, New York, NY 10281-1003.

How do I vote?

You may vote in person at the meeting or by proxy. We recommend that you vote by proxy even if you expect to attend the meeting. You are entitled to appoint one or more proxies to attend, speak and vote instead of you. A proxy need not be a member of the Company. You will be able to change your vote at the meeting if you attend in person.

Please refer to your proxy card or the information forwarded by your bank, broker or other holder of record to see how you should complete your proxy card and deliver it to the Company.

How do proxies work?

The Company's Board of Directors is asking for your proxy. Giving us your proxy means you authorize us to vote your shares at the meeting, or at any adjournment of the meeting, in the manner you direct. You may vote for or against the proposals or abstain from voting. You may also vote for all, some or none of the directors seeking election.

If you sign and return the enclosed proxy card but do not specify how to vote, we will vote your shares for all proposals in accordance with the recommendations made by the Board.

If your shares are held in an account with a broker, bank or other nominee, this institution is considered the shareholder of record and you are considered the "beneficial owner" or "street name holder" of those shares. In this case, your broker or bank (or its agent) or other nominee has forwarded the proxy materials, and separate voting instructions, to you. Because you are not the shareholder of record, you may not vote your shares in person at the Annual General Meeting unless you obtain a valid proxy from the broker, bank or other nominee that holds your shares, giving you the right to vote the shares in person at the meeting. As the beneficial owner of the shares, you have the right to direct your broker, bank or other nominee how to vote your shares by following the voting instructions provided to you with the proxy materials.

Under relevant NYSE rules, if you do not instruct your broker how to vote, your broker will only be able to vote your shares with respect to "routine" matters. The only routine matter is the ratification of the reappointment of Deloitte LLP as the Company's independent auditors (Proposal 2). Broker discretionary voting is not permitted for any of the other proposals because they are "non-routine" matters.

As of the date hereof, we do not know of any other business that will be presented at the meeting. If other business shall properly come before the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof, your proxy gives the person or persons named in the proxy the authority to vote on the matter in accordance with the recommendation of our Board of Directors.

Who is paying the costs of soliciting this proxy?

In addition to this mailing, our employees may solicit proxies personally, electronically or by telephone. We pay the costs of soliciting this proxy. MacKenzie Partners has been retained to assist in the proxy solicitation at a base fee of approximately \$15,000 plus expenses. We also reimburse brokers and other nominees for their expenses in sending these materials to you and getting your voting instructions. For further information on these arrangements, please refer to "Solicitation of Proxies."

If I vote and then want to change or revoke my vote, may I?

If you are a shareholder of record, you may revoke your proxy at any time before the meeting by submitting a new proxy with a later date, by a later telephone or Internet vote, by voting in person at the meeting, or by notifying our Company Secretary. Written revocations to the Company Secretary should be directed to:

Company Secretary c/o Office of the General Counsel Willis Group Holdings Public Limited Company One World Financial Center 200 Liberty Street New York, NY 10281-1003

If your shares are held in a stock brokerage account or by a bank or other nominee on your behalf, follow the voting instructions provided to you with this Proxy Statement to determine how you may change your vote.

What is the quorum required for the Annual General Meeting?

In order to carry on the business of the meeting, we must have a quorum. Under our articles of association, a quorum is reached when shareholders holding at least 50% of our issued and outstanding shares are present in person or by proxy and entitled to vote.

Only the Company's shareholders, their proxy holders, the Company's directors, the Company's auditors and the Company's guests may attend the meeting.

What vote is required for approval of each proposal and what is the effect of broker non-votes and abstentions?

All proposals to be acted on at the meeting require the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast at a meeting at which a quorum is present. Abstentions and broker non-votes, though counted for the purposes of determining that a quorum is present, will not be counted as votes cast and therefore will have no effect. A broker non-vote is a proxy submitted by a broker where the broker fails to vote on behalf of a client on a particular matter because the broker was not instructed by the beneficial owner when such instruction is required by the NYSE with respect to such matter.

Who will count the votes and certify the results?

Computershare has been appointed as the independent Inspector of Election and will count the votes, determine whether a quorum is present, evaluate the validity of proxies and ballots, and certify the results of the voting.

Who is your transfer agent?

Our transfer agent is Computershare. All communications concerning accounts of shareholders of record, including address changes, name changes, inquiries as to requirements to transfer shares and similar issues, can be handled by calling toll-free (866) 259-7716 (U.S.) or (201) 680-6578 (outside the U.S.) or (800) 231-5469 (hearing impaired) or by accessing the web site at www.computershare.com/investor.

PROPOSAL ONE

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The Company's directors are elected by the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast by shareholders at the Annual General Meeting and hold office only until the next Annual General Meeting of Shareholders unless they are earlier removed or resign before that meeting. Any nominee for director who does not receive a majority of the votes cast is not elected to the Board. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee (the "Governance Committee") has reviewed the needs of the Board and the qualities, experience and performance of each director and director nominee. At the Governance Committee's recommendation, the Board has nominated all current directors except Mr. Plumeri, who is retiring as Chairman and as a director on July 7, 2013, and Joseph A. Califano and Jeffrey B. Lane, who have informed the Board of their respective decision not to stand for re-election at 2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders. In addition, the Board has nominated Francisco Luzón, Jaymin Patel and Jeffrey W. Ubben for election to the Board at the 2013 Annual General Meeting to serve immediately following such meeting and hold office until the next Annual General Meeting of Shareholders unless they are earlier removed or resign before that meeting.

The Board unanimously recommends you vote "FOR" the election of each of the directors.

Nominees for Election

The Company is a leading global insurance broker and risk advisor. Through its subsidiaries, Willis develops and delivers professional insurance, reinsurance, risk management, financial and human resources consulting and actuarial services to corporations, public entities and institutions around the world. We have approximately 21,000 employees around the world (including approximately 3,400 at our associate companies) and a network of in excess of 400 offices in approximately 120 countries.

Directors are responsible for overseeing the Company's business around the globe consistent with their fiduciary duties. This requires highly-skilled individuals with various qualities, attributes and professional experience. The Governance Committee believes that the slate of nominees as a whole reflects the collective knowledge, integrity, reputation, and leadership abilities, and, as discussed more below, the diversity of skills and experience with respect to accounting and financial services, government and regulation, marketing and operations and global markets that the governance of the Company requires.

Qualifications

When recommending a person for new or continued membership on the Board, the Governance Committee considers each nominee's individual qualifications in light of the overall mix of attributes represented on the Board and the Company's current and future needs. In its assessment of each nominee, the Governance Committee considers the person's integrity, experience, reputation, independence and when the person is a current director of the Company, his or her performance as a director. The Governance Committee considers each director's ability to devote the time and effort necessary to fulfill responsibilities to the Company and, for current directors, whether each director has attended at least 75% of the aggregate of the total number of meetings held by the Board and any committee on which he or she served. In 2012 each director satisfied this requirement. The Governance

Committee believes service on other public or private boards (including international companies) also enhances a director's knowledge and board experience. It considers the experience of a director on other boards and board committees in both this nomination decision and in recommending the membership slate for each of the Company Board's Committees.

The Governance Committee believes that including directors having current and previous leadership positions is important to the Board's ability to oversee management. Extensive knowledge of the Company's business and the industry is an important quality for directors. Additionally, because of the Company's global reach, international experience or knowledge of a key geographic area is also important. As the Company's business also requires continuous compliance with regulatory requirements and agencies, it is imperative for some directors to have legal, governmental, political or diplomatic expertise. If a person has served or currently serves in the public arena (whether through political service, employment as a CEO of a public company or membership on a board of a public company), then his or her integrity and reputation is also a matter of public record on which Company and its shareholders may rely. The Governance Committee also believes that the Company distinguishes itself from its competitors through marketing and, as a result, a strong marketing perspective should be represented. In light of its public and global nature (including conducting business in different countries and currencies), the Company also seeks international experience and a high level of financial literacy and experience on the Board and Audit Committee.

Diversity

The Company is committed to maintaining diversity on the Board as provided in the Company's Corporate Governance Guidelines. The Board and the Governance Committee believe that diversity on the Board is important to ensuring a rounded perspective. Diversity is broadly interpreted by the Board to include viewpoints, background, experience, industry knowledge, and geography, as well as more traditional characteristics of diversity, such as race and gender. We believe that our commitment is demonstrated by the current structure of our Board and the varied backgrounds and skill sets of our current directors and nominees, which include three women, a person of Asian descent and a mix of American, British and Irish citizens.

Set forth below each biographical information is a summary of some of the key qualifications, attributes, skills and experiences discussed above that were considered by the Governance Committee for each person nominated for election at our 2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders. (The absence of a particular bullet-point for a director does not mean that the director does not possess other qualifications or skills in that area).

Biographical Information

Dominic Casserley — Mr. Casserley, age 55, joined the Company, as our new CEO and as a director on January 7, 2013 and currently serves as a member of the Company's Executive Committee. Before joining the Company, he served as a senior partner of McKinsey & Company, which he joined in New York in 1983. During his 29-years at McKinsey & Company, Mr. Casserley was based in the U.S. for 12 years, Asia for five and, from 2000 until 2012, he worked across Europe from the London office. During his time at McKinsey & Company, Mr. Casserley led McKinsey's Greater China Practice and its UK and Ireland Practice. Mr. Casserley was a member of McKinsey's Shareholder Council, the firm's global board, from 1999 to 2012 and for four years served as the Chairman of its Finance Committee. Mr. Casserley is a graduate of Cambridge University.

- International Business Experience Mr. Casserley's expertise in the global financial services industry, including experience with insurance companies, and the opportunities of expanding into new markets, was obtained during his 29-year tenure at McKinsey where he spent 17 years working in Asia, Europe and London and, during which time, he led the firm's Greater China Practice and its UK and Ireland Practice.
- *CEO/Management Experience* Mr. Casserley has served as the Company's current Chief Executive Officer since January 7, 2013. In addition to serving as a senior partner at McKinsey & Company he served on the company's global board for over 10 years and served as Chairman of the Finance Committee of that board for four.

Anna C. Catalano — Ms. Catalano, age 53, joined the Board on July 21, 2006 and currently serves as a member of the Company's Governance Committee and Risk Committee. Effective immediately after the 2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, Ms. Catalano will continue to serve on the Company's Governance Committee, will serve as a member of the Compensation Committee but will no longer serve on the Risk Committee. She was Group Vice President, Marketing for BP plc from 2001 to 2003. Prior to that she held various executive positions at BP and Amoco, including Group Vice President, Emerging Markets at BP; Senior Vice President, Sales and Operations at Amoco; and President of Amoco Orient Oil Company. She currently serves on the Board and Compensation Committee and Governance Committee of Mead Johnson Nutrition and on the Boards and Compensation Committees of Chemtura Corporation and Kraton Performance Polymers. She serves on the Executive Committee of the Houston Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association and serves as a director on the National Board of the Alzheimer's Association. Ms. Catalano formerly served on the boards of SSL International plc, Hercules Incorporated, Aviva plc and U.S. Dataworks and as an advisory board member of BT Global Services. Ms. Catalano holds a BS degree in Business Administration from the University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana.

- *International Business* Ms. Catalano has significant executive experience in international business operations through her roles as: Group Vice President, Marketing at BP plc; Group Vice President, Emerging Markets at BP; Senior Vice President, Sales and Operations at Amoco; and President of Amoco Orient Oil Company. In 2001, Ms. Catalano was recognized by Fortune Magazine as being among the "Most Powerful Women in International Business."
- *Marketing Experience* Ms. Catalano has over 25 years of experience in global marketing and operations. During her tenure as the head of marketing for BP plc, she was instrumental in the internal and external repositioning of the BP brand and was a primary voice behind the campaign to establish BP's "Beyond Petroleum" positioning. She is also a frequent speaker on strategic and global branding.
- Board and Committee Experience Ms. Catalano has significant experience as a director and committee member from her service on other public company boards including her current service as a current member of the Governance Committee of Mead Johnson Nutrition and the Compensation Committees of Mead Johnson Nutrition, Chemtura Corporation and Kraton Performance Polymers as well as her former service on the international company boards of SSL International plc and Aviva plc.

Sir Roy Gardner — Sir Roy Gardner, age 67, joined the Board on April 26, 2006 and currently serves as the Chairman of the Company's Risk Committee and a member of the Executive Committee. He is a Chartered Certified Accountant and will serve as Chairman of Compass Group PLC, a food and support services company, until his retirement from the position in February 2014. He also serves as Chairman of the Nominating Committee of Compass Group PLC. He is a Senior Advisor to Credit Suisse and also a Director and Chairman of the Nominating Committee of Mainstream Renewable Power Limited, Chairman of the Advisory Board of the Energy Futures Lab of Imperial College London, President of Carers UK, Chairman of the Apprenticeship Ambassadors Network and Chairman and member of several board committees of Enserve Group Ltd. In addition, he was Chairman of Connaught plc between May and September 2010. He previously held positions as a former Chief Executive of Centrica plc, Chairman of Manchester United plc, Finance Director of British Gas plc, Managing Director of GEC-Marconi Ltd, Director of GEC plc and Director of Laporte plc.

- *International Business and Board Experience* The United Kingdom is an important market for the Company. Sir Roy Gardner is a well-respected British businessman who began his career in 1963 and has held leadership positions at or held director positions on the boards of a number of UK and other European companies.
- *CEO/Management Experience* Sir Roy Gardner's senior leadership roles include his position as former Chief Executive of Centrica plc for 9 ½ years. Centrica plc is a large multinational utility company that is based in the United Kingdom but also has interests in North America. It is listed on the London Stock Exchange and is a constituent of the FTSE 100 Index.
- Extensive Knowledge of the Company's Business Sir Roy Gardner's seven years of experience on the Board, his financial background as a UK-Chartered Certified Accountant and his former service as the Chairman of the Company's Compensation Committee provides him with an extensive knowledge of the Company's business and allows him to serve as an effective Chairman of the Company's Risk Committee.

The Rt. Hon. Sir Jeremy Hanley, KCMG — Sir Jeremy Hanley, age 66, joined the Board on April 26, 2006 and currently serves as a member of the Company's Audit Committee. He is a Chartered Accountant and a director of Willis Limited, a subsidiary of the Company, and a director and member of the Audit and Remuneration Committees of Langbar International Limited and of London Asia Capital plc. He also serves on the International Advisory Committee for Lottomatica S.p.A. Sir Jeremy was a Member of Parliament for Richmond and Barnes from 1983 to 1997 and held a number of ministerial position in the U.K. government, including Under Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, Minister of State for the Armed Forces, Cabinet Minister without Portfolio at the same time as being Chairman of the Conservative Party and Minister of State for Foreign & Commonwealth Affairs. He retired from politics in 1998. He also served on the Boards of Lottomatica S.p.A., Onslow Suffolk Limited, Mountfield Group Limited, Nymex London Limited and ITE Group plc. and the Audit Committee of the Joint Arab British Chamber of Commerce.

• *Legal, Governmental, Political or Diplomatic Expertise* — Sir Jeremy Hanley has a deep understanding of UK governmental and regulatory affairs and public policy based on his 14 years as a member of Parliament and significant ministerial positions in the UK government. Sir Jeremy Hanley's background is important for his role as a director

of Willis Limited, a subsidiary of the Company regulated by the Financial Services Authority, the regulator of the financial services industry in the UK.

- *Financial Background* Sir Jeremy Hanley, a member of the Company's Audit Committee, is a UK-Chartered accountant which qualifies him as an audit committee financial expert.
- *International Board and Committee Experience* Sir Jeremy Hanley also brings experience from his service on numerous international boards, including his former service on the Board and Audit Committee of Lottomatica S.p.A., an Italian company.

Robyn S. Kravit — Ms. Kravit, age 61, joined the Board on April 23, 2008 and currently serves as a member of the Company's Audit Committee. Effective immediately after the 2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, Ms. Kravit will serve as a member of the Risk Committee and will no longer serve on the Audit Committee. She is an international business executive with almost 30 years of experience in establishing and directing significant China-based operations engaged in the international trading of industrial raw materials. Ms. Kravit co-founded Tethys Research LLC, a biotechnology company, and has acted as its Chief Executive Officer since 2000. From 2001 through 2010, Ms. Kravit was a Director of FONZ, the organization which manages commercial and educational activities for Smithsonian's National Zoological Park, serving two terms as President and later chairing its Audit Committee. On January 1, 2012, she was appointed to a two-year term on the Standing Advisory Group of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (PCAOB), established by Congress to oversee the audits of public companies. She currently serves on the Advisory Council of Johns Hopkins University's Whiting School of Engineering and the Board of Governors of the Washington Foreign Law Society. She previously served on the Board of InovaChem Inc. Ms. Kravit holds a BA in East Asian Studies from Vassar College, and a MA in East Asian Studies from Harvard University.

- International Experience China is an emerging market for the Company and Ms. Kravit's almost 30 years of experience in international business, focusing on the Far East markets, provides the Company with an extensive knowledge base. She is fluent in Mandarin Chinese. She has established and directed significant China-based operations engaged in the international trading of industrial raw materials and has experience in devising marketing plans that adapt to evolving political and economic environments. She also has extensive experience in the management of foreign trade transactions and international risk management.
- *CEO/Management Experience* Ms. Kravit founded and since 2000 has been the Chief Executive Officer of Tethys Research LLC, a biotechnology company, and is responsible for contract, administrative and financial operations. Prior to Tethys, as Managing Director for Asian operations, Ms. Kravit functioned as CEO of a major business unit within a complex multinational corporation.
- *Financial Background* Ms. Kravit is a member of the Company's Audit Committee and was recently appointed to a two-year term on the Standing Advisory Group of the PCAOB. The Standing Advisory Group advises the PCAOB on issues relating to the development of auditing standards.

Wendy E. Lane — Ms. Lane, age 62, joined the Board on April 21, 2004 and currently serves as the Chairman of the Company's Compensation Committee and as a member of the Audit Committee and Executive Committee. She was a member of the CEO Search Committee as well as other ad hoc Board Committees convened from time to time. She has been Chairman of Lane Holdings, Inc., an investment firm, since 1992. Prior to forming Lane Holdings, Inc., Ms. Lane was a Principal and Managing Director of Donaldson, Lufkin and Jenrette Securities Corporation, an investment banking firm, serving in these and other positions from 1981 to 1992. Ms. Lane is also a director, and member of the Nominating and Corporate Governance and Audit Committees of Laboratory Corporation of America, and a director and Audit Committee member of UPM-Kymmene Corporation, a Finnish publicly-held corporation. Ms. Lane holds a BA from Wellesley College and a MBA from Harvard Business School.

- Financial Background Ms. Lane has more than 15 years of experience in investment banking, including financings, mergers and acquisitions and advisory projects. Prior to forming her own investment firm in 1992, Ms. Lane was a Principal and Managing Director of Donaldson, Lufkin and Jenrette Securities Corporation, an investment banking firm, serving in these and other positions from 1981 to 1992. From 1977 to 1980, she was an investment banker at Goldman Sachs. Ms. Lane's financial background qualifies her as an audit committee financial expert.
- Extensive Knowledge of the Company's Business Ms. Lane's service as a director of the Company for nine years, financial expertise, current dual service as the Chairman of the Company's Compensation Committee and member of the Audit Committee and former service as a member of the Company's Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee have provided Ms. Lane with an invaluable knowledge base of the Company and a deep understanding of the interrelationships of issues and decisions between the Committees. She was also part of the Search Committee formed by the Board in connection with appointing a new CEO.
- *International Board Experience* Ms. Lane has served for seven years on the board of UPM-Kymmene Corporation, a Finnish publicly held corporation with worldwide operations and revenues exceeding \$11.5 billion.
- Board and Committee Experience As well as serving on almost all of Willis' Committees, Ms. Lane has chaired the
 Audit and Compensation Committees of Laboratory Corporation of America, serves on the Audit Committees at
 Laboratory Corporation of America and UPM-Kymmene Corporation, serves on the Nominating and Governance
 Committee of Laboratory Corporation of America and has extensive committee experience on all of her current and past
 boards.

Francisco Luzón — Mr. Luzón, age 65, is a nominee for election to the Board at the 2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders and, if elected, will serve until the Company's 2014 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders. If elected, it is expected that the Board will appoint Mr. Luzón to the Governance Committee. From 1996 until January 2012, Mr. Luzón served in several capacities at Banco Santander, S.A. (a public company organized under the laws of Spain), most recently as Executive Board Member and General Manager of the Latin American Division, from 1996 until 1998, as Executive Director and Deputy to the Chairman and Head of Strategy, Communication and Investor Relations, and in 1998, as Head of Human Resources and Information Technology. Prior to that, Mr. Luzón held executive positions at several other banks, including Argentaria, S.A., Banco Exterior

de Espana, S.A., Banco Bilbao Vizcaya and Banco Vizcaya. Within the last five years, Mr. Luzón has served as a Director of Banco Santander, S.A. and Inditex-Zara, the international fashion retail company. Mr. Luzón currently is a director of Latam Airlines Group, the international airline, and Member of its Finance Committee and its Strategy Committee. He also serves on the boards and advisory councils of numerous academic institutions, non-profit organizations and think tanks. He is also a consultant of the Interamerican Development Bank. Mr. Luzón has a Degree in business and economics from Bilbao University and, in 2010, received an Honorary Degree in economics from University Castilla La Mancha.

- International Business and Management Experience Mr. Luzón has significant international financial services experience, having served in executive roles most recently at Banco Santander, the Spanish financial institution, and other international banks over the last 30 years, and having worked in London, New York, Tokyo, the Middle East, North Africa and 12 countries in Latin America.
- Financial Background Mr. Luzón has over 40 years of experience working in mergers and acquisitions, the restructuring
 of numerous private and state-owned banks, insurance companies and financial institutions in Spain and throughout
 numerous countries in Latin America.
- *International Board Experience* Mr. Luzón also brings experience from his service on international boards, including his former service as a director of Banco Santander and Inditex-Zara, the international fashion retailer, and his current service as a director of Latam Airlines Group, the international airline. He has also served on the boards and advisory councils of numerous companies, academic institutions, not-for-profit organizations and think tanks.

James F. McCann — Mr. McCann, age 61, joined the Board on April 21, 2004 and currently serves as the Board's Presiding Independent Director, the Chairman of the Company's Governance Committee, and as a member of the Compensation Committee and Executive Committee. On April 23, 2013, the Board appointed Mr. McCann to serve as non-executive Chairman of the Board, effective July 8, 2013, succeeding Mr. Plumeri upon his retirement from the Board. At such time, Mr. McCann will no longer serve as the Board's Presiding Independent Director as the functions will be performed in his new role as Chairman. Effective immediately after the 2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, Mr. McCann will no longer serve as a member of the Compensation Committee. Mr. McCann was a member of the CEO Search Committee as well as other ad hoc Board Committees convened from time to time. He has served since 1976 as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of 1-800-FLOWERS.COM, Inc., a florist and gift shop company. He also serves as a director for Dearborn National and JPMorgan Chase Regional Advisory Board. He previously served as a director and Compensation Committee member of Lottomatica S.p.A. and a director of Gateway, Inc. and The Boyds Collection, Ltd.

• *CEO/Management Experience* — Mr. McCann has substantial management, strategic and operational experience as Chairman and CEO of 1-800-FLOWERS.COM, Inc. The knowledge and experience he has gained through his leadership of a consumer-product and service-based public company for over 30 years continues to benefit the Company both in his role as a director, Chairman of the Board, the Chairman of the Governance Committee, Presiding Independent Director, and a member of the Compensation Committee and Executive Committee.

- Extensive Knowledge of the Company's Business Mr. McCann's service as a director of the Company for nine years, service as the Board's Presiding Independent Director, Chairman of the Governance Committee and member of the Company's Compensation Committee has provided him with an in-depth knowledge of the Company's business and structure. He was also part of the Search Committee formed by the Board in connection with appointing a new CEO.
- Board and Committee Experience Mr. McCann, as a current member of the Compensation Committee, has benefited from his service as a former director and member of the Compensation Committee of Lottomatica S.p.A., an Italian headquartered company.

Jaymin Patel — Mr. Patel, age 45, is a nominee for election to the Board at the 2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders and, if elected, will serve until the Company's 2014 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders. If elected, it is expected that the Board will appoint Mr. Patel to the Compensation Committee. Mr. Patel is currently the President and Chief Executive Officer of GTECH Americas, a division of GTECH S.p.A. (formerly named Lottomatica S.p.A.), a leading commercial operator and provider of technology in regulated worldwide gaming markets. Before becoming CEO of GTECH Corporation, then a subsidiary of Lottomatica Group S.p.A. in 2008, Mr. Patel held various executive positions at GTECH, including President and Chief Operating Officer (2007), Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (2000-2007), Vice President, Financial Planning and Business Evaluation (1998-2000) and Finance Director, European and African Operations (1995-1997). From August 2006 until April 2007, Mr. Patel also served as Chief Financial Officer of Lottomatica S.p.A. (now GTECH S.p.A.). Prior to joining GTECH, Mr. Patel worked at PricewaterhouseCoopers in London. Mr. Patel serves as a member of the Board and the Executive Management Committee of GTECH S.p.A. Mr. Patel holds a B.A. with honors from Birmingham Polytechnic in the United Kingdom and qualified as a Chartered Accountant with PricewaterhouseCoopers in London.

- *CEO/Management Experience*—Mr. Patel has over almost twenty years of experience as an executive of GTECH and is currently the President and Chief Executive Officer of GTECH Americas.
- *International Experience* As CEO of GTECH Americas, an international business that operates in over 55 countries, Mr. Patel has international business experience, especially growing GTECH in developing countries, including Latin America, Eastern Europe and Asia Pacific regions.
- *International Board Experience*—Mr. Patel has served for six years on the Board and Executive Management Committee of Lottomatica Group S.p.A. (now GTECH S.p.A.), an Italian publicly held corporation with worldwide operations.

Douglas B. Roberts — Mr. Roberts, age 65, joined the Board on February 13, 2003 and currently serves as the Chairman of the Company's Audit Committee and a member of the Executive Committee. He is the former Treasurer for the State of Michigan, a position held from April 2001 to December 2002 and from January 1991 to November 1998. From January 1999 to March 2001 he was Vice President of Business Development and Best Practices at Lockheed Martin IMS. Prior to January 1991, Mr. Roberts worked in the Michigan Senate as Director, Senate Fiscal Agency from April 1988 to December 1990 and as Deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction for the Department of Education. Mr. Roberts holds a doctorate in Economics from Michigan State University. Currently, Mr. Roberts is both a Professor and the Director for the Institute for Public Policy and Social Research at Michigan State University.

- Legal, Governmental, Political or Diplomatic Experience Mr. Roberts has a deep understanding of public finance and other public policy matters from his 28-year tenure in state government, including his years as a Michigan state treasurer and his current academic position. As Michigan state treasurer, he oversaw the state's revenue and cash positions during a period of rebirth in Michigan's finances and economy which included five ratings upgrades. In addition, the state Treasurer is the sole fiduciary of the state's pension systems valued at approximately \$50 billion.
- *Financial Background and Extensive Knowledge of the Company's Business* Mr. Roberts' business experience and education also qualify him as an audit committee financial expert and have positioned him well to serve as a Company's director for 10 years and as the Chairman of our Audit Committee since 2004.

Dr. Michael J. Somers — Dr. Somers, age 70, joined the Board on April 21, 2010 and currently serves as a member of the Company's Risk Committee. Effective immediately after the 2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, Mr. Somers will serve as a member of the Audit Committee and will no longer serve on the Risk Committee. He was Chief Executive Officer of the Irish National Treasury Management Agency from 1990, when it was established, until the end of 2009. The Agency, which is a commercial entity outside the civil service, was initially set up to arrange Ireland's borrowing and manage its national debt. Its remit was extended to establish and manage the National Pensions Reserve Fund, of which Dr. Somers was a Commissioner, and the National Development Agency, of which he was Chairman. It also incorporated the State Claims Agency, which handles claims against the State and against hospitals and other medical institutions. Dr. Somers previously worked in the Irish Department of Finance and the Central Bank and served as Secretary General of the Department of Defense from 1985 to 1987. He was the Irish member of the EU Monetary Committee from 1987 to 1990 and chaired the EU group that established the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development. He served on the board of the Irish Stock Exchange until the end of 2009. He is currently the Irish Director on the Board of the European Investment Bank and also serves on the Boards of Allied Irish Banks plc, St. Vincent's Healthcare Group Ltd., the Institute of Directors, Hewlett Packard International Bank plc, Fexco Holdings Ltd., and as Chairman of Goodbody Stockbrokers, a subsidiary of Fexco. He also serves as Chairman of the Audit Committees of Hewlett Packard International Bank plc and St. Vincent's Healthcare Group and Chairman of the Risk Committee of the AIB Bank. He was awarded the honor of Chevalier of the Légion d'Honneur by the President of France. He previously served as a Council Member of the Dublin Chamber of Commerce and Ulysses Securitization plc, a government established special purpose entity whose purpose has expired and assets have been liquidated. He holds various degrees, including a master's degree in

economic science and a doctorate from University College Dublin. He is President of the Ireland Chapter of the Ireland-U.S. Council.

- *Financial Background* Dr. Somers has an extensive finance background as a result of his experience relating to Ireland's borrowing and managing its national debt as well as his experience as the Irish member of the EU Monetary Committee.
- International Business and Board Experience Dr. Somers has extensive knowledge and experience in serving the Irish and European financial, business and governmental communities, including through his service on a number of Irish Boards. The Irish market is important to the Company which completed its redomicile to Ireland, in part, to facilitate business expansion. Dr. Somers also brings his experience on the Audit Committee and Risk Committee of various entities.

Jeffrey W. Ubben — Mr. Ubben, age 51, is a nominee for election to the Board at the 2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders and, if elected, will serve until the Company's 2014 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders. If elected, it is expected that the Board will appoint Mr. Ubben to the Risk Committee. Mr. Ubben is a Founder, Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Investment Officer of ValueAct Capital. Prior to founding ValueAct Capital in 2000, Mr. Ubben was a Managing Partner at Blum Capital Partners for more than five years. Previously, Mr. Ubben spent eight years at Fidelity Investments where he managed the Fidelity Value Fund. Mr. Ubben is a former director and member of the Compensation Committee of Gartner Group, Inc., a former director and member of the Audit and Finance Committee of Misys, plc, a former director and member of the Nomination and Governance Committee of Omnicare, Inc., a former director and member of the Audit and Finance Committee of Sara Lee Corp. and a former director of several other public and private companies. In addition, Mr. Ubben serves as chairman of the national board of the Posse Foundation, is on the board of trustees of Northwestern University, and is also on the board of the American Conservatory Theater. He has a B.A. from Duke University and an M.B.A. from the J. L. Kellogg Graduate School of Management at Northwestern University.

- Financial Background Mr. Ubben has more than 20 years of experience in the investment management business.
- *CEO/Management Experience* Mr. Ubben's leadership roles include serving as Chief Executive Officer and Chief Investment Officer of ValueAct Capital since 2000 and as Managing Partner at Blum Capital Partners for more than five years prior to joining ValueAct.
- *Board and Committee Experience* Mr. Ubben also brings experience from his prior service as a director and board committee member of numerous global public companies.

On April 25, 2013, the Company entered into a Nomination Agreement with ValueAct pursuant to which the Company's Board of Directors agreed to nominate Mr. Ubben for election at the 2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders. In addition, ValueAct agreed, subject to exceptions, not to engage in certain transactions regarding the Company and its securities until a date specified in the Nomination Agreement.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

In connection with consideration of Proposal 1 (Election of Directors), below is a summary of the Company's corporate governance practices, guidelines and procedures.

Board and Committee Member Independence

Based on the recommendation of the Governance Committee, the Board has determined that, with the exception of Mr. Casserley and Mr. Plumeri (who will retire as Chairman and a member of the Board on July 7, 2013), (i) all of the current directors and director nominees shown above and (ii) the members of the Audit Committee, Compensation Committee, Governance Committee and the Risk Committee are independent under the relevant Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") rules, NYSE listing standards and the Board's Director Independence Standards are part of the Company's Corporate Governance Guidelines adopted by the Board and which comply and meet the requirements of the NYSE's listing standards.

As discussed above, each director has significant experience and affiliations with other organizations. Accordingly, in evaluating the independence of each director, the Governance Committee considered that in the ordinary course of business, the Company provides services (such as insurance broking or consultancy services) to, receives services from or provides charitable donations to organizations affiliated with the directors. This includes a \$150,000 charitable contribution made by the Company to CASA, a charitable organization that employs Messrs. Califano and Lane and whose board includes Messrs. Lane, Califano, and Plumeri. In addition, in the ordinary course of business and on an arm's length basis, Jeffrey Lane, Robyn Kravit and James McCann receive broking or consultancy services from the Company on a personal basis. However, the Governance Committee determined that, in all of the above cases, the transactions do not impair the relevant director's independence under the applicable SEC rules, NYSE listing standards or the Company's Governance Guidelines.

Board Meetings and Attendance

The Board met formally six times in 2012. The Board also met informally with management and its outside advisors on several occasions during the course of the year. In 2012, each of the then current directors attended at least 75% of the aggregate of the total number of meetings held in 2012 of the Board and any committee on which he or she served.

The independent directors held separate executive sessions without senior management either before or after each of the Board's regularly scheduled meetings in 2012. The Presiding Independent Director chaired each executive session. None of the Chairman, the CEO or any member of management, at any level, attends the executive sessions of the independent directors unless invited in to discuss a particular matter.

All directors are expected to make every effort to attend the Annual General Meeting. All of the directors attended the 2012 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders held in Ireland, except for Senator William Bradley, who resigned from the Board effective November 1, 2012.

Board Leadership Structure

As noted above, the members and chairs of each of our Board committees are independent based on the SEC's, the NYSE's and our governance standards. As a result, independent directors directly oversee such critical matters as the compensation policy for our executive officers, our nomination and corporate governance practices, and the integrity of our financial statements and internal controls over financial reporting.

In addition, the Board has determined that the Company and its shareholders are currently best served by having the roles of Chairman and CEO undertaken by different individuals. Since January 7, 2013, Mr. Casserley has served as CEO and Mr. Plumeri has continued to serve in his role as Chairman. Our Corporate Governance Guidelines further provide that when the roles of Chairman and CEO are held by the same individual, or when the Chairman is not independent under our Guidelines and relevant SEC and NYSE rules, the directors will appoint an independent director to serve as Presiding Independent Director. Mr. James McCann has served as the Company's Presiding Independent Director since October 17, 2012 (upon Senator Bradley's resignation from that role).

The Board has appointed Mr. McCann to serve as an independent non-executive Chairman of the Board, effective on July 8, 2013, after Mr. Plumeri's retirement as Chairman on July 7, 2013. Because Mr. McCann is independent under the Company's Guidelines and relevant SEC and NYSE rules, the functions of the Presiding Independent Director will be performed by the Chairman.

Role of the Presiding Independent Director

The Company's Corporate Governance Guidelines provide that the role of Presiding Independent Director (if any) shall, among other things, preside at all meetings of the Board in the Chairman's absence. In addition, the Presiding Independent Director shall:

- Convene and preside at executive sessions of the independent and non-management directors;
- Serve as principal liaison on Board-related issues between the independent and non-management directors and the Chairman and the CEO; and, shall provide the Chairman and the CEO with feedback from executive sessions;
- Discuss with the Chairman and the CEO prior to Board meetings the information to be provided to directors and review and approve such information;
- Approve Board meeting agenda items and, with the Chairman and the CEO, propose for Board approval the Board's calendar including the number and frequency of Board meetings, with regard to ensuring that there is sufficient time for discussion of all agenda items. The Presiding Independent Director (and any director) may request inclusion of additional agenda items;
- Recommend to the Board the retention of outside advisors and consultants who report directly to the Board on board-related issues;
- Consult with the Chairman and the Governance Committee on the appointment of chairs and members for Board Committees;
- · Be available for consultation and communication with shareholders in appropriate circumstances, as instructed by the Board; and
- Perform such other functions and responsibilities as requested by the Board from time to time.

The Board's Committees

The Committees and its members, as of May 31, 2013, are described below in further detail:

	Audit Committee	Compensation Committee	Governance Committee	Risk Committee	Executive Committee
Joseph A. Califano*			X		X
Dominic Casserley					X
Anna C. Catalano			X	X	
Sir Roy Gardner				С	X
Sir Jeremy Hanley	X, F				
Robyn S. Kravit	X				
Jeffrey B. Lane*		X			
Wendy E. Lane	X, F	С			X
James F. McCann		X	C, P		X
Joseph J. Plumeri*					CB, C
Douglas B. Roberts	C, F				X
Michael J. Somers				X	

C Committee Chairman

CB Chairman of the Board

F Financial Expert

X Committee Member

P Presiding Independent Director

If all of the director nominees are elected at the 2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, the Committees and its members, effective immediately after the 2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, are described below in further detail:

	Audit Committee	Compensation Committee	Governance Committee	Risk Committee	Executive Committee
Dominic Casserley		·			X
Anna C. Catalano		X	X		
Sir Roy Gardner				С	X
Sir Jeremy Hanley	X, F				
Robyn S. Kravit				X	
Wendy E. Lane	X, F	С			X
Francisco Luzón			X		
James F. McCann			C, CB		С
Jaymin Patel		X			
Douglas B. Roberts	C, F				X
Michael J. Somers	X				
Jeffrey W. Ubben				X	

C Committee Chairman

CB Chairman of the Board (effective July 8, 2013)

F Financial Expert

X Committee Member

Messrs. Califano and Lane have elected not to stand for re-election to the Board at the 2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders and will serve until such meeting. Mr. Plumeri will retire from the Board and the Committee on which he serves on July 7, 2013.

The Executive Committee has the full powers, authorities and discretions of the Board of the Directors, when it is not in session, in the management of the business and affairs of the Company, except as otherwise provided in the resolutions of the Board and under applicable law. The Executive Committee is currently composed of Joseph J. Plumeri (Chairman), Dominic Casserley, James McCann, Joseph Califano, Sir Roy Gardner, Wendy E. Lane and Douglas Roberts and did not hold any meetings in 2012. Effective immediately after the 2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, the Executive Committee will be composed of the Chairman of the Board, the CEO, the Presiding Independent Director (if any) and the Chairman of each Board Committee (James McCann, Dominic Casserley, Sir Roy Gardner, Wendy E. Lane and Douglas Roberts).

The Audit Committee assists the Board in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities with respect to:

- The integrity of the Company's financial statements;
- The selection and oversight of the independent auditors;
- The Company's compliance with legal and regulatory requirements;
- The independent auditors' qualifications and independence;
- The performance of the independent auditors and the Company's internal audit function;
- · The establishment and maintenance of proper internal accounting controls and procedures; and
- The treatment of employees' concerns regarding accounting or auditing matters as reported under the Company's whistleblower policy.

In addition, the Audit Committee provides an avenue for communication among internal audit, the independent auditors, management and the Board. The Audit Committee also focuses on major financial risk exposures, the steps management has taken to monitor and control such risks, and, if appropriate, discusses with the independent auditor the guidelines and policies governing the process by which senior management and the relevant departments of the Company assess and manage the Company's financial risk exposure. The Audit Committee operates under a charter, a copy of which can be found in the Investor Relations — Corporate Governance section of the Company's website at www.willis.com. The Audit Committee is currently composed of Douglas B. Roberts (Chairman), Sir Jeremy Hanley, Robyn S. Kravit and Wendy E. Lane and met formally eight times during 2012. If all of the director nominees are elected at the 2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, then effective immediately thereafter, the Audit Committee will be composed of Douglas B. Roberts (Chairman), Sir Jeremy Hanley, Wendy E. Lane and Michael J. Somers. In addition to holding formal meetings, the Audit Committee members met informally during the course of the year to discuss and review financial matters related to the Company as well as the Company's filings with the SEC. After regularly scheduled meetings, the Committee also meets in executive session, which includes meetings with management, the internal auditors and external auditors. Mr. Roberts, Sir Jeremy Hanley and Ms. Lane are considered to be Audit Committee Financial Experts in light of their financial experience described in their biographies above.

The **Compensation Committee** determines the Company's CEO's compensation and recommends to the Board the compensation of other executive officers and non-employee directors. In addition, the Compensation Committee oversees the administration of the Company's share-based award plans and, in consultation with senior management, establishes the Company's general compensation philosophy and oversees the development and implementation of the Company's compensation programs. In connection with those objectives, the Compensation Committee is also responsible for:

- Reviewing and approving annually performance goals and objectives relevant to the compensation of the CEO and other executive officers and evaluating their performance in light of those goals and objectives;
- Reviewing and approving compensation policies applicable to the senior management of the Company;
- Making recommendations to the Board on the Company's existing and proposed incentive compensation plans and equity-based plans and overseeing the administration of these plans;
- In consultation with senior management, overseeing regulatory compliance with respect to compensation matters;
- Reviewing and discussing with senior management the Compensation Discussion and Analysis and approving its inclusion in the Company's Proxy Statement and Annual Report on Form 10-K;
- Reviewing the results of the "say-on-pay" proposals included in the Proxy Statement and the appropriate response;
- Annually evaluating the independence of its compensation consultants, legal counsel or other advisors taking into consideration the factors enumerated in the NYSE listing standards and evaluating whether any conflict of interest exists with respect to its Compensation Consultant; and
- Reviewing an assessment of compensation risk to determine whether any material risks were deemed to be likely to arise from the Company's compensation policies and programs, what mitigating factors are in place, and whether these risks would be reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on its business.

The Compensation Committee operates under a charter, a copy of which can be found in the Investor Relations — Corporate Governance section of the Company's website at www.willis.com. The Compensation Committee is currently composed of Wendy E. Lane (Chairman), Jeffrey B. Lane and James F. McCann and met formally six times during 2012. If all of the director nominees are elected at the 2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, then effective immediately thereafter, the Compensation Committee will be composed of Wendy E. Lane (Chairman), Anna C. Catalano and Jaymin Patel. In addition to holding formal meetings, the Compensation Committee members met informally during the course of the year to discuss compensation related matters and acted from time to time by unanimous written consent. After regularly scheduled meetings, the Committee also meets in executive session, which includes meetings with its Compensation Consultant.

The **Risk Committee** is responsible for assisting the Board in:

- Monitoring oversight of the Company's enterprise risk management;
- Overseeing, on the basis of proposals from management, the creation, and subsequent iteration, of a framework, for approval by the Board, in relation to the management of risk;
- Reviewing the adequacy of the Company's resources to perform its risk management responsibilities;
- Reviewing the activities of the Company's Enterprise Risk Management Committee ("ERMC"), as well as reviewing and approving annually the Company's Enterprise Risk Management Policy;
- Meeting with the chairman and/or other members of the Company's ERMC and Audit Committee, as needed or advisable, to discuss the Company's corporate risk management framework and/or related areas; and
- Reviewing and recommending any major transactions or decisions affecting the Company's risk profile or exposure.

The Risk Committee operates under a charter, a copy of which can be found in the Investor Relations — Corporate Governance section of the Company's website at www.willis.com. The Risk Committee is currently composed of Sir Roy Gardner (Chairman), Anna C. Catalano and Michael J. Somers and met formally five times in 2012. After regularly scheduled meetings, the Committee also meets in executive session. If all of the director nominees are elected at the 2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, then effective immediately thereafter, the Risk Committee will be composed of Sir Roy Gardner (Chairman), Robyn Kravit and Jeffrey W. Ubben.

The Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee is responsible for assisting the Board in:

- Developing and recommending director independence standards to the Board and periodically reviewing those standards;
- Developing and recommending to the Board the director selection process for identifying, considering and recommending candidates to the Board and director qualification standards for use in selecting new nominees and periodically reviewing the process and standards;
- Recommending to the Board the nominees to stand for election as directors at the next annual shareholder meeting and in the event of director vacancies;
- Recommending to the Board, from time to time, changes the Committee believes is desirable to the size of the Board or any Committee thereof;
- Recommending to the independent and non-management directors a nominee for Presiding Independent Director and recommending to the Board nominees and chairman for each Board Committee;

- Recommending changes to the Board, from time to time, to the Company's Corporate Governance Guidelines;
- Reviewing the appropriateness of continued service on the Board of members whose circumstances have changed or who contemplate accepting a directorship to another company or an appointment to an audit committee of another company;
- Administering and overseeing, on behalf of the Board, the evaluation process for the overall effectiveness of the Board (including the effectiveness of the Committees); and
- · Assisting the Board in reviewing succession plans prepared by management for all senior management.

The Governance Committee identifies potential director nominees by preparing a candidate profile based upon the current Board's strengths and needs and from a variety of sources, including engaging search firms or utilizing business contacts of the Board and senior management. Nominees must meet minimum qualification standards with respect to a variety of criteria including integrity, reputation, judgment, experience, maturity, skills and personality, commitment and independence. The Governance Committee may also take into consideration additional factors it deems appropriate, which may include skill, experience with business and other organizations, the interplay of the candidate's experience with the experience of other Board members and the extent to which the candidate would be a desirable addition to the Board and any committee thereof.

With feedback from the Board members, members of the Governance Committee initiate contact with preferred candidates and, following feedback from interviews conducted by Governance Committee and Board members, recommend candidates to join the Board. The Governance Committee has the authority to retain a search firm to assist with this process. The Governance Committee considers candidates nominated by shareholders and ensures that such nominees are given appropriate consideration in the same manner as other candidates.

The Governance Committee operates under a charter, a copy of which can be found in the Investor Relations — Corporate Governance section of the Company's website at www.willis.com. The Governance Committee currently consists of James F. McCann (Chairman), Joseph A. Califano and Anna C. Catalano and met formally five times during 2012. After regularly scheduled meetings, the Committee also meets in executive session. Mr. McCann was appointed Chairman of the Governance Committee on October 17, 2012 upon Senator Bradley's resignation from that role. If all of the director nominees are elected at the 2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, then effective immediately thereafter, the Governance Committee will be composed of James F. McCann (Chairman), Anna C. Catalano and Francisco Luzón.

2012 Amendments to the Company's Corporate Governance Guidelines

In 2012, based on the recommendation of the Governance Committee's recommendation, the Board amended the Company's Corporate Governance Guidelines to include, among other things, the following policies:

Requiring the CEO to seek approval of the Governance Committee before serving on any other public company board;

- Restricting directors (other than the CEO who is further restricted as noted above) from serving on the boards of more than 3 publicly-traded companies in addition to the Company's Board;
- · Requiring a director who experiences materially changed circumstances to offer his or her resignation from the Board; and
- Prohibiting directors and executive officers from having margin accounts and pledging Company shares.

Our Corporate Governance Guidelines and all Board Committee Charters can be found in the Investor Relations — Corporate Governance section of our website at *www.willis.com*. Copies are also available free of charge on request from the Company Secretary, Willis Group Holdings Public Limited Company, c/o Office of General Counsel, One World Financial Center, 200 Liberty Street, New York, NY 10281-1033.

Outside Director Compensation

In 2012, all outside directors (*i.e.*, all directors other than Mr. Plumeri), received an annual cash retainer fee of \$100,000. In addition, (i) the Chairman of the Compensation Committee, the Chairman of the Governance Committee and the Chairman of the Risk Committee each received an annual cash fee of \$20,000; (ii) the Chairman of the Audit Committee received an annual cash fee of \$30,000; and (iii) the other members of the Audit Committee received an annual cash fee of \$10,000. The Presiding Independent Director received an annual cash fee of \$35,000. In 2012, the Board also authorized a one-time special cash fee of \$30,000 for each of Senator Bradley, Wendy E. Lane and James McCann, as members of a CEO Search Committee, for their efforts in selecting a new CEO.

In addition, as part of their annual compensation, each non-employee director who is elected at the Company's Annual General Meeting of Shareholders also receives time-based equity equivalent in value to \$100,000 (based on the closing price of the Company's shares as quoted on the NYSE on the date of grant) that vest in full on the one-year anniversary of the grant date. On May 7, 2012, the non-employee directors received 2,753 RSUs that vested in full on May 7, 2013.

In 2013, the Board also approved an annual fee for the non-executive Chairman of the Board of \$150,000 payable 50% in equity and 50% in cash, provided that the non-executive Chairman may elect to receive the fee 100% in equity.

Outside directors are subject to share ownership guidelines that require them to hold Company shares equal to the lesser of 3.5 times the directors' cash retainer of \$100,000 (*i.e.*, \$350,000) or 10,000 shares. Incumbent directors must comply by 2016 (*i.e.*, five years of adoption of the guidelines). Ordinary shares, deferred shares, share equivalents, RSUs and restricted shares count toward satisfying the guidelines, but options to purchase shares do not. Each director is prohibited from transferring these shares until six months after he or she leaves Board service (other than to satisfy tax obligations on the vesting/distribution of existing equity awards), but is permitted to transfer any shares in excess of this amount. In the event an outside director has not acquired this threshold of shares, he or she is prohibited from transferring any Company shares (other than to satisfy tax obligations on the vesting/distribution of existing equity awards). In the case of financial hardship, the ownership guidelines would be waived until the hardship no longer applies or such appropriate time as the Compensation Committee determines. All directors currently satisfy the guidelines.

Sir Jeremy Hanley receives an additional annual fee of £50,000 for serving on the board of directors of Willis Limited, the Company's principal insurance broking subsidiary outside of the USA. He has sat on the Willis Limited board of directors since March 12, 2008 and he also serves on the Willis Limited board of directors' audit committee.

The following table sets forth cash and other compensation paid or accrued to the non-employee directors of the Company during 2012.

	Fees Earned or				
Name of Non-Employee Director	Paid in Cash (\$)	Option Awards (\$)	Share Awards (\$)(1)	All Other Compensation (\$)(2)	Total (\$)
William Bradley(3)	192,065	-	99,989	-	292,054
Joseph Califano, Jr.	100,000	_	99,989	39,548	239,537
Anna Catalano	100,000	_	99,989	-	199,989
Sir Roy Gardner(4)	120,000	_	99,989	_	219,989
Sir Jeremy Hanley ⁽⁵⁾	110,000	_	99,989	-	209,989
Robyn Kravit(6)	110,000	_	99,989	97,034	307,023
Jeffrey Lane	100,000	_	99,989	-	199,989
Wendy E. Lane(7)	160,000	_	99,989	_	259,989
James McCann(8)	141,359	_	99,989	8,531	249,879
Douglas Roberts(9)	130,000	_	99,989	51,740	281,729
Michael Somers	100,000	_	99,989	-	199,989

- (1) Each of the directors received 2,753 RSUs on May 7, 2012 which vest in full on May 7, 2013 (other than Senator Bradley whose RSUs were forfeited upon his resignation from the Board). The value shown is the full fair value as at the date of grant.
- (2) In connection with the Company's redomicile to Ireland, the Company agreed to indemnify any director in the event they may need to pay additional taxes as a result of the redomicile. The above amounts reflect the gross-up payment made to the non-employee directors in 2012 in connection with taxes paid by them for the 2011 fiscal year and, in the case of Mr. McCann, the 2010 fiscal year. The Company also hired Ernst & Young in Dublin, Ireland to prepare the directors' Irish 2012 tax returns which is expected to be less than \$50,000 in the aggregate.
- (3) The above fees reflect Senator Bradley's role as the Presiding Independent Director and Chairman of the Governance Committee. He resigned from both positions effective as of October 17, 2012 and resigned from the Board effective as of November 1, 2012. The fees include the one-time special fee approved by the Board of \$30,000 for his efforts in selecting a new Group CEO. They also include his 2011 \$35,000 fee for serving as the Presiding Independent Director. He originally waived receipt of this fee but subsequently accepted it in 2012.
- (4) The above fees reflect Sir Roy Gardner's role as the Chairman of the Risk Committee.

- (5) The above fees reflect Sir Jeremy Hanley's role as a member of the Audit Committee. As noted above, he also receives an annual cash fee of £50,000 in connection with his service as a director on the Willis Limited board of directors.
- (6) The above fees reflect Ms. Kravit's role as a member of the Audit Committee.
- (7) The above fees reflect Ms. Lane's role as the Chairman of the Compensation Committee and a member of the Audit Committee. The fees also include the one-time special fee approved by the Board of \$30,000 for her efforts in selecting a new Group CEO.
- (8) The above fees reflect Mr. McCann's role as Presiding Independent Director and Chairman of the Governance Committee. He was appointed to these positions effective October 17, 2012. They also include the one-time special fee approved by the Board of \$30,000 for his efforts in selecting a new Group CEO.
- (9) The above fees reflect Mr. Roberts' role as the Chairman of the Audit Committee.

As of December 31, 2012, the non-employee directors owned the following options to purchase shares and RSUs (which include any RSUs, the settlement of which has been deferred): Mr. Califano held 5,942 RSUs; Ms. Catalano held 30,000 options and 4,114 RSUs; Sir Roy Gardner held 30,000 options and 2,753 RSUs; Sir Jeremy Hanley held 30,000 options and 5,942 RSUs; Ms. Kravit held 4,114 RSUs; Mr. Lane held 2,753 RSUs; Ms. Lane held 2,753 RSUs; Mr. McCann held 4,114 RSUs; Mr. Roberts held 5,942 RSUs; and Mr. Somers held 2,753 RSUs.

In addition to the foregoing options, 30,000 options held by Mr. Califano, 30,000 options held by Ms. Lane, 30,000 options held by Mr. McCann and 30,000 options held by Mr. Roberts, have been amended such that they will receive the intrinsic value in cash upon exercise rather than receive shares upon payment of the exercise price.

For more information regarding the number of shares beneficially owned by each director as of May 31, 2013, see the section entitled "Security Ownership — Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management."

The Board's Role in Risk Oversight

The Board of Directors has the ultimate oversight responsibility for the risk management function of the Company. The Company has implemented an enterprise-wide approach to risk management and has established the Risk Committee and the ERMC. The members of the ERMC include senior executives in the finance, legal, internal audit and IT departments, including the Group General Counsel (Chairman), Group Head of Risk and Compliance, the Group Chief Financial Officer and the Group Audit Director. It also includes senior representatives from the Company's main operating units such as our North American, Reinsurance and International businesses. The ERMC meets periodically throughout the year. The ERMC has adopted the Enterprise Risk Management Policy, which operates as a framework for the identification, assessment, measurement, reporting and management of exposure to the Company's risk on an enterprise-wide basis.

Before the Board Risk Committee's first meeting in April 2010, the full Board of Directors participated in an enterprise risk management review with management. The establishment of the Risk Committee provides an opportunity to focus on three primary areas of risk: financial risk, legal/

compliance risk and operational/strategic risk. This review has become even more focused and in-depth with the establishment of the Risk Committee which meets, at a minimum, on a quarterly basis with members of the ERMC as well as with other members of senior management and heads of business units. After each meeting, the Risk Committee provides a regular report to the full Board, which will include its recommendations on whether to engage in certain proposed transactions. The Risk Committee regularly reviews the Group Risk Appetite Statement and recommends any changes to the full Board for approval.

In addition to the Risk Committee discussed above, other committees of the Board also assist it in its responsibility for oversight of risk management. In particular, the Audit Committee focuses on major financial risk exposures, the steps management has taken to monitor and control such risks, and, if appropriate, discusses with the independent auditor the guidelines and policies governing the process by which senior management and the relevant departments of the Company assess and manage the Company's financial risk exposure and operational/strategic risk. The Governance Committee focuses on risks related to Board processes, Board composition and corporate governance. The Compensation Committee focuses on compensation-related risk and, accordingly, requested and evaluated the compensation risk analysis discussed below.

Compensation Risk Analysis

In the first quarter of 2010, at the Compensation Committee's request, its independent Compensation Consultant at the time, Frederick W. Cook & Co., worked with management to conduct a risk assessment of the Company's compensation programs. This assessment included an inventory of incentive compensation plans then in place at the Company, a review of the design and features of the Company's compensation programs with key members of management responsible for such programs and an assessment of program design and features relative to compensation risk factors.

With assistance from the Company's Director of Risk, Frederick W. Cook & Co., also reviewed the Company's risk profile and related risk management processes and the findings of the compensation risk assessment to determine if any material risks were deemed to be likely to arise from the Company's compensation policies and programs and to determine whether these risks would be reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on its business. The determination, which was reviewed and affirmed by management and the Compensation Committee, was that the Company's pay plans and policies were not reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on the Company. In the first quarter of 2011, this conclusion was reaffirmed.

In 2012 and 2013, at the request of the Compensation Committee, Towers Watson (its current independent Compensation Consultant) reviewed the risk assessment conducted by the previous Compensation Consultant and confirmed that the methodology used in that assessment remained valid. Towers Watson has worked with Willis to review its compensation programs and to determine if they had materially changed from the time of the initial risk assessment. As a result of this review, Towers Watson found that the only material change that had occurred was the removal in 2012 of the repayment obligation required under certain cash retention awards under Willis' annual incentive programs. However, Towers Watson concluded that this action did not pose additional compensation risk because the repayment feature originally had been added to address retention risk versus organizational risk. Accordingly, Towers Watson determined that the 2010 risk assessment findings remain applicable. The Compensation Committee reviewed and affirmed this determination and further commissioned a full risk review of the Company's compensation programs in 2014.

Review and Approval of Related Person Transactions

Willis has adopted written policies and procedures governing the review and approval of transactions between the Company and any of its directors or executive officers, nominees for directors, any security holder who is known to the Company to own of record or beneficially more than 5% of any class of the Company's voting securities or their immediate family members (each, a "Related Person") to determine whether such persons have a direct or indirect material interest. The Company's directors, nominees for directors and executive officers complete an annual director and officer questionnaire which requires the disclosure of related person transactions. In addition, directors, nominees for directors and executive officers are obligated to advise the Audit Committee of any related person transactions of which they are aware, or become aware, and, in the event that any such transactions involve difficult or complex issues, the directors and executive officers are obligated to advise the Group General Counsel. Further, transactions that are determined to be directly or indirectly material to a Related Person are disclosed in the Company's Proxy Statement or Annual Report on Form 10-K in accordance with SEC rules. The Audit Committee reviews and approves or ratifies any related person transaction that is required to be disclosed. In the course of its review and approval or ratification of a disclosable related person transaction, the Audit Committee considers, among other factors it deems appropriate:

- The position within or relationship of the Related Person with the Company;
- The materiality of the transaction to the Related Person and the Company, including the dollar value of the transaction, without regard to profit or loss;
- The business purpose for and reasonableness of the transaction (including the anticipated profit or loss from the transaction), taken in the context of the alternatives available to the Company for attaining the purposes of the transaction;
- Whether the transaction is comparable to a transaction that could be available on an arms-length basis or is on terms that the Company offers generally to persons who are not Related Persons;
- Whether the transaction is in the ordinary course of the Company's business and was proposed and considered in the ordinary course of business; and
- The effect of the transaction on the Company's business and operations, including on the Company's internal control over financial reporting and system of disclosure controls or procedures, and any additional conditions or controls (including reporting and review requirements) that should be applied to such transaction.

Any member of the Audit Committee who is a Related Person with respect to a transaction under review may not participate in the deliberations or vote regarding the approval or ratification of the transaction, provided, however, that such director may be counted in determining the presence of a quorum at a meeting at which the Audit Committee considers the transaction.

2012 Related Person Transactions Under Item 404 of Regulation S-K

David Hearn is the brother of Peter Hearn, the Chairman of Willis Re and a 2012 executive officer, and is employed by a Willis subsidiary. David Hearn's 2012 total compensation (including

salary, bonus and long-term incentive awards) was \$1,225,000. Both David Hearn and Peter Hearn are unrelated to Stephen Hearn, the Group Deputy CEO, CEO and Chairman of Willis Global. No other transactions are required to be disclosed under Item 404 of Regulation S-K.

Communications with Shareholders and Other Constituencies

The CEO is responsible for establishing effective communications with the Company's stakeholder groups, including shareholders, the press, analysts, clients, suppliers, governments and representatives of the communities in which it operates. It is the policy of the Company for the CEO to appoint individuals to communicate and interact fully with these stakeholders and the Board will look to senior management to speak for the Company. This policy does not preclude outside directors from communicating directly with shareholders or other constituencies about Company matters, but any such communications will generally be held at the request of the Board or senior management and to ensure compliance with SEC and other regulations, with senior management or outside counsel present.

An interested person may communicate with independent directors or the non-management directors as a group by writing to the Company Secretary, c/o Office of General Counsel, Willis Group Holdings Public Limited Company, One World Financial Center, 200 Liberty Street, New York, NY 10281-1003.

A shareholder who wishes to propose an individual to the Governance Committee for its consideration as a nominee for election to the Board may do so by writing to the Company Secretary, c/o the Office of the General Counsel, Willis Group Holdings Public Limited Company, One World Financial Center, 200 Liberty Street, New York, NY 10281-1003.

For a more detailed description regarding the solicitation of proxies, including with respect to shareholder nominations of directors, see "Solicitation of Proxies."

Vote Required for Special Meetings

Shareholders holding 10% of the Company's share capital have ability to convene a special meeting.

PROPOSAL TWO

RATIFICATION OF REAPPOINTMENT OF DELOITTE LLP AS INDEPENDENT AUDITORS AND AUTHORIZATION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS, ACTING THROUGH THE AUDIT COMMITTEE, TO FIX THE AUDITOR'S REMUNERATION

The Audit Committee, in accordance with the authority granted by the Board of Directors, recommended for Board ratification the reappointment of Deloitte LLP, Independent Registered Public Accountants, to audit the financial statements of the Company (including for the Irish Statutory Accounts) for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2013. This selection was approved by the Board in February 2013 and ratification of such approval is being sought from shareholders at the Annual General Meeting. Deloitte LLP acted as the Company's independent auditors (including for the Irish Statutory Accounts) for the year ended December 31, 2012. Representatives of Deloitte LLP will attend the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, will have an opportunity to make a statement if they desire to do so, and will be available to answer any pertinent questions.

A majority of the votes cast by shareholders at the Annual General Meeting is required to ratify the reappointment of Deloitte LLP and to refer the issue of their remuneration for the 2013 audit to the Board of Directors, acting through the Audit Committee. In accordance with the Company's articles of association, the Board of Directors delegates the determination of the audit fees, as well as fees for permitted non-audited services, to the Audit Committee.

The Board unanimously recommends you vote "FOR" the ratification of the reappointment of Deloitte LLP as the Company's independent auditors and the authorization of the Board, acting through the Audit Committee, to fix the auditor's remuneration.

Fees Paid to the Independent Auditors

The following fees have been, or will be, billed by Deloitte LLP and their respective affiliates for professional services rendered to the Company for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011.

	2012	2011
		(\$ in thousands)
Audit fees(1)	6,942	6,581
Audit related fees(2)	227	215
Tax fees(3)	170	124
All other fees(4)	980	566
Total fees	980 8,319	566 7,486

⁽¹⁾ Fees for the audits of the Company's annual financial statements and reviews of the financial statements included in the Company's quarterly reports for that fiscal year, services relating to the Company's registration statements (\$31,000) and U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP") accounting consultations and Sarbanes-Oxley Section 404 work.

⁽²⁾ Audit related fees relate primarily to professional services such as employee benefit plan audits and non-statutory audits.

- (3) Tax fees comprise fees for various tax compliance engagements.
- (4) All other fees in 2012 relate primarily to assist with the Company's internal review of certain payments made by our U.K. subsidiary between 2005 and 2009, discussed in further detail in the section entitled "Commitments and Contingencies" in Note 22 to our Consolidated Financial Statements included within our Annual Report on Form 10-K, and in 2011 to assist with the Company's Finance Transformation Project.

The Audit Committee approved all of the services described above in accordance with the Company's pre-approval policy.

Audit Committee Pre-Approval Process

The Audit Committee has adopted a policy regarding the pre-approval of services provided by the Company's independent auditors, which can be found in the Investor Relations — Corporate Governance section of the Company's website at www.willis.com. This policy requires all services provided by the Company's independent auditors, both audit and permitted non-audit services, to be pre-approved by the Audit Committee or the Chairman of the Audit Committee or, in his absence, any other member of the Committee. The pre-approval of audit and permitted non-audit services may be given at any time before the commencement of the specified service. The decisions of a designated member of the Audit Committee shall be reported to the Audit Committee at each of its regularly scheduled meetings.

Audit Committee Report

The primary function of the Audit Committee is to assist the Board of Directors in its oversight with respect to: (i) the integrity of the Company's financial statements; (ii) the selection and oversight of the independent auditors; (iii) the Company's compliance with legal and regulatory requirements; (iv) the independent auditors' qualifications and independence; (v) the performance of the independent auditors and the Company's internal audit function; (vi) the establishment and maintenance of proper internal accounting controls and procedures; and (vii) the treatment of concerns regarding accounting or auditing matters as reported under the Company's whistleblower policy. The Audit Committee also focuses on major financial risk exposures, the steps management has taken to monitor and control such risks, and, if appropriate, discusses with the independent auditor the guidelines and policies governing the process by which senior management and the relevant departments of the Company assess and manage the Company's financial risk exposure and operational/strategic risk. The Audit Committee operates under a Charter, a copy of which can be found in the Investor Relations — Corporate Governance section of the Company's website at www.willis.com. Executive management is responsible for the Company's financial statements and overall reporting process, including the system of internal controls. The independent auditors are responsible for conducting annual audits and quarterly reviews of the Company's financial statements and expressing an opinion as to the conformity of the annual financial statements with generally accepted accounting principles.

In the performance of its oversight function, the Audit Committee has reviewed and discussed the audited financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 2012, with management and the independent auditors. These discussions included the judgments regarding the quality and acceptability of the Company's accounting principles, the clarity of the disclosures and the appropriateness of the accounting principles and underlying estimates and other communications

required to be discussed by the Statement on Auditing Standards No. 61, *Communication with Audit Committees*, as adopted by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board in Rule 3200T. The Audit Committee has also discussed with the auditors, the auditors' independence from the Company and its management, including the written disclosures and the letter received from the auditors regarding the auditors' communications with the Audit Committee concerning independence as required by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board in Rule 3526, *Communication with Audit Committees Concerning Independence*. The independent auditors and the Company's Internal Auditors had full access to the Audit Committee, including at regular meetings without management present.

It is not the duty or responsibility of the Audit Committee to conduct auditing or accounting reviews or procedures. In performing their oversight function, members of the Audit Committee rely, without independent verification, on the information provided to them and on the representations made by management and the independent auditors. Accordingly, the Audit Committee's considerations and discussions do not assure that the audit of the Company's financial statements has been carried out in accordance with U.S. GAAP or that the financial statements are presented in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

Based upon the review and discussions described in this report, and subject to the limitations on the role and responsibilities of the Audit Committee referred to above, the Audit Committee recommended that Deloitte LLP be retained to conduct the integrated audit of the financial statements of the Company (including the Irish Statutory Accounts) and internal control over financial reporting for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2012, and agreed that the audited financial statements referred to above be included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, filed with the SEC. The Audit Committee also recommended that Deloitte LLP be retained to conduct the integrated audit of the Company's financial statements (including the Irish Statutory Accounts) and internal control over financial reporting for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2013.

The Audit Committee is comprised of Douglas B. Roberts (Chairman), Sir Jeremy Hanley, Robyn S. Kravit and Wendy E. Lane. Mr. Roberts, Sir Jeremy Hanley and Ms. Lane are all independent Audit Committee Financial Experts as defined by Regulation S-K in view of their respective financial expertise.

Submitted by the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors Douglas B. Roberts (Chairman), Sir Jeremy Hanley, Robyn S. Kravit and Wendy E. Lane.

EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION COMPENSATION DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The following is an overview and analysis of the Compensation Committee's philosophy and objectives in designing compensation programs for the Group CEO, the Group CFO, and the Company's three other most highly compensated executive officers, collectively our "named executive officers." For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2012, our named executive officers were:

- Joseph Plumeri (2012 CEO);
- Michael Neborak (Group CFO);
- Stephen Hearn (CEO and Chairman, Willis Global);
- Timothy Wright (CEO, Willis International); and
- Victor Krauze (CEO and Chairman, Willis North America).

Mr. Plumeri resigned as CEO on January 6, 2013 but remained as Chairman of the Board. He will retire as Chairman on July 7, 2013. Mr. Dominic Casserley became the current CEO of the Company, effective January 7, 2013. Mr. Hearn was appointed Deputy CEO, effective January 1, 2013.

1.0 Executive Summary of our Named Executive Officer 2012 Compensation

1.1. Background

The Compensation Committee establishes, implements, and monitors the Company's compensation programs, philosophy, and objectives. The Committee has two primary objectives: (1) to attract and retain highly qualified executives in the competitive marketplace in which the Company operates; and (2) to create appropriate incentives for our executives to improve their individual performance. To achieve these objectives, the Compensation Committee evaluates and sets the total compensation for each of our named executive officers – base salary, annual incentive compensation, and long-term incentive compensation – considering the scope of the named executive officer's role, level of expertise, individual performance, Company performance, and compensation paid to similarly-situated executives in our peer group companies. To assist the Compensation Committee in all aspects of the named executive officer and the Company's compensation program, the Compensation Committee has retained Towers Watson as its independent compensation consultant.

The Compensation Committee spent significant time in 2012 reviewing, evaluating, and re-designing our named executive officer compensation program, partly in response to the "say-on-pay" vote at our 2012 Annual General Meeting. While a majority of shareholders approved our 2012 compensation program, the percentage approval was down considerably from 2011 (54% compared to 94%). Although this vote was non-binding, the Board and Compensation Committee wanted to understand why the approval rate was low, especially because our named executive officer compensation program remained essentially unchanged from 2011 to 2012.

Accordingly, at the Board's and Compensation Committee's direction, management reached out to the Company's shareholders to understand their concerns. We learned that there was no single area of shareholder concern. Rather, our shareholders expressed a variety of concerns, not all of which related to compensation and included disappointment in the Company's financial performance, concern about the level of CEO compensation relative to that performance (structured pursuant to his 2010

employment contract), use of guaranteed bonuses, the use of the same financial metrics for short-term and long-term incentive awards, use of non-traditional share ownership guidelines, and the lack of prohibitions against directors and executive officers entering into margin accounts and pledging shares.

The Committee and Board considered the results of the vote, the various viewpoints expressed by our shareholders and market factors, and adopted several changes to Company policies and our named executive officer compensation program, including:

- Revising the Company's financial metrics for its 2013 annual incentive compensation awards and performance-based long-term
 incentive awards to emphasize both short-term and long-term financial performance. The annual and long-term incentive awards
 will have different metrics, all of which will be key drivers to increase cash flow and, therefore, important constituents of
 shareholder value enhancement.
- Confirming our philosophy that incentive pay should be performance driven and not guaranteed. Accordingly, unless there are
 compelling circumstances (i.e., on a limited basis, in connection with new hires), the Compensation Committee will not approve
 guaranteed incentive awards.
- Lowering our new CEO's total target pay package by 26% compared to Mr. Plumeri and lowering his amount of fixed pay by almost 45%.

1.2 The Company's 2012 Financial Performance and Named Executive Officer Compensation

2012 was characterized by an ongoing challenging macroeconomic environment, especially in two of our key geographic regions, Western Europe and North America. Reported EPS was (\$2.58) and Adjusted EPS was \$2.58 (\$2.52 excluding the impact of foreign exchange) and our reported Operating Margin was (6.0%) and Adjusted Operating Margin was 21.6% (20.9% excluding the impact of foreign exchange). This compares to 2011 reported EPS of \$1.15 and Adjusted EPS of \$2.74 and reported Operating Margin of 16.4% and Adjusted Operating Margin of 22.5%.

In a difficult environment, however, the Company also delivered the following:

- 1.3% reported commissions and fees growth and 3.1% organic commissions and fees growth;
- Significant improvement in the Company's financial performance in the fourth quarter, with 7.5% organic commissions and fees growth (representing the best organic growth result in over six years) and improved Adjusted Operating Margin by 40 basis points; and
- Substantive progress on key growth initiatives (pipelines development and management, producer retention, and recruitment) and operational initiatives (Financial Transformation Project, global brokerage systems, global placement system).

While these results showed positive momentum moving into 2013, they did not meet established incentive targets, and, accordingly, the payout of our named executive officers' 2012 annual incentive compensation awards was below target.

Mr. Plumeri's annual incentive compensation award was calculated under the terms of his 2010 employment agreement, and was based on the Company's performance measured by growth in

Adjusted EPS (for 50% of the award) and Adjusted Operating Margin (for the remaining 50%). The Committee set "threshold," "target" and "stretch" payout goals of 250%, 375% and 500%, respectively, of his base salary. After the 2012 budget had been approved, however, because of slow EPS growth compared to 2011, Mr. Plumeri proposed and the Compensation Committee agreed, to reduce his target payout from 375% to 250%. Based on the Company's performance in 2012, Mr. Plumeri was awarded an annual incentive compensation award of \$905,963, representing 24% of his original target payout and 36% of his revised target payout.

The annual incentive compensation awards for our four other named executive officers were based on a combination of the Company's performance (60%) and individual and business unit performance (40%)3. Based on that formula, the annual incentive compensation awards to our named executive officers were as follows:

- Michael Neborak was awarded \$528,000, representing 88% of his target payout.
- Stephen Hearn was awarded £815,000 (or \$1,291,775), representing 93% of his target payout.
- Timothy Wright was awarded £775,000 (or \$1,228,375), representing 89% of his target payout.
- Victor Krauze was awarded \$910,000. While he does not have a formal annual incentive compensation award target, this represents 74% of the target used for Messrs. Hearn and Wright.

Each named executive officer also received long-term incentive awards. Based on the Company's financial performance, the performance-based portion of the awards was reduced to 88% of the grant value. As a result, the value of the 2012 long-term incentive awards for our named executive officers were as follows: Joseph Plumeri (\$5,280,000); Michael Neborak (\$940,000); Stephen Hearn £1,304,732 (or \$2,068,000); Timothy Wright £889,590 (or \$1,410,000); and Victor Krauze (\$1,128,000). Stephen Hearn also received 6,500 restricted stock units in connection with his promotion to Chairman and CEO of Willis Global.

2.0 The Company's Named Executive Officer Compensation Program

The Compensation Committee is responsible for establishing, implementing and monitoring the Company's compensation programs, philosophy and objectives. The Company has two primary objectives in designing compensation programs for our named executive officers: (1) to attract and retain highly qualified and talented executives and professionals in the highly competitive marketplace in which the Company operates (which includes large financial services companies); and (2) to create appropriate incentives for our executives to improve their individual performance with the objective of improving the Company's long-term performance, thereby creating value and wealth for our shareholders. Against those objectives, we consider each named executive officer's total compensation in the context of compensation paid to similarly-situated executives in our peer group companies, the scope of the role, the individual's level of expertise and other market factors, and the performance of the individual, his or her business unit and the Company.

³ The Company performance portion (60%) was calculated measuring Adjusted EPS against a target of \$2.74 (50%) and Adjusted Operating Margin against a target of 21.8% (50%).

2.1 Compensation Committee Consultant

The Compensation Committee has the independent authority to hire external consultants and, accordingly, has retained Towers Watson since April 2011 to provide advice to the Compensation Committee on all matters related to the senior executives' compensation and compensation programs. The Compensation Committee has the independent authority to terminate Towers Watson's services at its discretion. Representatives from Towers Watson attended all of the Compensation Committee's regularly scheduled meetings in 2012.

Towers Watson reports directly to the Compensation Committee and provides data on U.S. and U.K. executive compensation trends in the sectors in which the Company competes for senior executive talent as well as the broader market. In 2012 and 2013, Towers Watson advised the Compensation Committee on the redesign of the named executive officer compensation program and, in particular, the compensation package of Mr. Casserley, the Company's new CEO, and certain changes to the compensation packages for the Company's other executive officers. Towers Watson also assists with selecting appropriate peer companies and assessing non-employee director compensation. The fees paid to Towers Watson in 2012 for these services totaled \$167,866.

The Compensation Committee uses the data and analysis provided by Towers Watson to better ensure that the Company's compensation practices are consistent with the Company's compensation philosophy and objectives for both the amount and composition of executive compensation, including that of the CEO. Based on the data and analysis provided by Towers Watson as well as information from management and outside counsel, the Compensation Committee applies business judgment in recommending compensation awards, taking into account the dynamic nature of the insurance sector internationally and the adaptability and response required by the Company's leadership to manage significant changes that arise during the course of a year.

Before its appointment as the consultant to the Compensation Committee in 2011, Towers Watson had been providing investment advisory services for the Company's UK pension plan and was engaged directly by the fiduciary trustees of the plan. These trustees operate independently of the Company's management. In addition, Towers Watson also provides human resource consulting services to certain of the Company's subsidiaries (the majority of which are international subsidiaries where Towers Watson was hired by local management). The additional services provided to the Company's significant subsidiaries totaled \$957,181 for 2012, of which \$854,462 related to the services provided for UK pension plan and \$102,719 related to the human resource consulting services. The decision to engage Towers Watson for the human resource consulting services before 2011 was originally approved by management and since that time the Compensation Committee has reviewed and approved such services. None of the Towers Watson representatives that advise the Compensation Committee provide any other services to the Company's subsidiaries. The Compensation Committee determined that those services, based on the independence factors specified in the NYSE listing rules, produced no conflicts of interest.

2.2 Analysis of Alignment of Pay and Performance

In advance of the impending requirement under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010, the Compensation Committee directed Towers Watson to analyze the alignment of total executive officers' pay in relation to the Company's performance as compared to the peer companies' performance over a three-year performance measurement period (2009 – 2011). We evaluated our named executive officers' performance over this period using the following key

metrics: total shareholder return, Adjusted EPS growth and Adjusted Operating Margin. This performance was then compared to "realizable/earned pay," which is defined as the actual value of compensation earned for the three-year measurement period and includes base pay, annual incentive compensation paid, "in the money" value of stock option grants, market value of time-vested RSUs and market/cash value of performance based awards. The analysis indicated in aggregate a strong alignment between our executive officers' realizable/earned pay (62nd percentile of our peer group) and the Company's composite performance over the three-year measurement (75th percentile of our peer group) period.

2.3 Peer Group and Market Data

As providers of insurance brokerage and risk consultancy services, we have no direct competitors of comparable financial size in our marketplace. However, we compete for talent with brokers of all sizes, with insurance carriers, and with companies in other financial services sectors. Accordingly, to assist the Compensation Committee in judging the reasonableness of its compensation recommendations, we typically use data related to a group of peer companies in the insurance sector, some of whom do not directly operate as insurance brokers.

The Compensation Committee reviews its peer group on an annual basis to ensure that it remains reasonable and justifiable. It seeks to avoid changes unless there is some significant rationale. The 2012 peer group, which has remained unchanged from 2010, was approved by the Compensation Committee following a review by Towers Watson and subsequent discussions between the Compensation Committee, Towers Watson and management. The peer group is a combination of large and small insurance brokers and insurance carriers and consists of:

Insurance Brokers	Insurance Carriers
AON plc	Ace Limited
Arthur J. Gallagher & Co.	Arch Capital Group Limited
Brown & Brown Inc.	Axis Capital Holdings Limited
Jardine Lloyd Thompson Group plc	The Chubb Corporation
Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc.	XL Group plc

Our executive officers are based in both the United States and the United Kingdom. The country of each executive officer's primary location is taken into account when reviewing and determining his or her annual base salary and, particularly, benefits.

In order to attract and retain exceptional senior executives, the Compensation Committee generally sets the executive officer's base salary at the median but evaluates the executive officer's total compensation (defined as base salary, annual incentive compensation and long-term incentive compensation) in the context of compensation paid to similarly-situated executives in our peer group companies, considering the scope of the role, the individual's level of expertise and other market factors as well as both the performance of the individual and the Company.

The Compensation Committee reviews each element of compensation separately, as well as the total compensation of named executive officers. Compensation differences among the named executive officers reflect their different roles, their contributions, and the different market pay relating to those roles.

2.4 Redesign of Our Named Executive Officer Compensation for 2013 in Response to Advisory Vote

At our 2012 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, a majority of votes (72,159,795 votes or approximately 54%) were cast in favor of the compensation of the Company's named executive officers. Although this vote was non-binding, the Board and the Compensation Committee sought to understand why the approval rate was low, especially because our executive pay program had remained substantially the same as the program that received 94% support the previous year. Accordingly, at the Board and Compensation Committee's request and under their guidance, management began an outreach program to the Company's shareholders to gather feedback and enable the Board and the Compensation Committee to better understand shareholder concerns.

We solicited feedback through a survey and direct outreach to shareholders representing approximately 73% of the Company's shares. We then engaged in substantial discussions with investors representing over 40% of our outstanding shares. During these discussions, we learned that there was no single area of shareholder concern. Rather, our shareholders expressed a variety of concerns, not all of which related to compensation and included disappointment in the Company's financial performance, concern about the level of CEO compensation relative to that performance (structured pursuant to his 2010 employment contract), use of guaranteed bonuses, the use of the same financial metrics for short-term and long-term incentive awards, use of non-traditional share ownership guidelines, and the lack of prohibitions against directors and executive officers entering into margin accounts and pledging shares.

The Board and Compensation Committee considered the vote results and the viewpoints expressed by shareholders through the Company's outreach efforts and, as a result, and with input from their outside advisors, adopted several changes to Company policies and to the Company's executive compensation program. It is important to note, however, that most of these changes did not take effect until 2013 and therefore will not be reflected until our 2014 Proxy Statement. The Board and Compensation Committee, with assistance from management, responded to the outreach program by:

- Seeking advice from its independent compensation consultant, Towers Watson, regarding the design of its new CEO compensation package, including the level of pay relative to the market, the mix of fixed to variable pay components and the relationship of the CEO's pay level compared to the other named executive officers' compensation.
- Revising Company financial metrics for its annual incentive compensation awards and performance-based long-term incentive awards to differentiate between and to emphasize both short-term and long-term financial performance.
 - o For annual incentive compensation awards for 2013, the Board and the Compensation Committee replaced previously used metrics, Adjusted EPS and Adjusted Operating Margin, with organic commissions and fees growth and Adjusted EBITDA. The Board selected those metrics because they believe they are key drivers of increasing cash flow and, therefore, important constituents of shareholder value creation. Additionally, Adjusted EBITDA (which excludes the impact of non-cash expenses, depreciation and amortization) is an appropriate short-term metric because it measures cash-based operating income and ensures that appropriate investment in the Company is encouraged.

- For the long-term incentive compensation awards for 2013, the Board and the Compensation Committee eliminated the one-year performance period targets and adopted three-year performance period targets to encourage sustained financial performance. They also replaced previously used metrics, Adjusted EPS and Adjusted Operating Margin, with organic commissions and fees growth and Adjusted EBIT (modified by a cost of capital charge for acquisitions or a cost of capital credit for dispositions made during the performance period). Adjusted EBIT (modified as described above) is an appropriate long-term metric because it provides management accountability for investment decisions (mergers and acquisitions and capital expenditures) over time.
- Adopting a strict policy prohibiting directors and executive officers from entering into margin accounts or pledging shares.
- Confirming our philosophy that incentive pay should be performance driven and not guaranteed. Accordingly, unless there are material and compelling circumstances (*i.e.*, on a limited basis, in connection with new hires), the Compensation Committee will not approve guaranteed incentive awards. As discussed further below, our new Chief Executive Officer's compensation does not include any guaranteed annual incentive compensation awards.
- Revising our executive officer share ownership guidelines to require each executive officer to own shares equivalent in value to a multiple of his or her base salary, as set forth below:

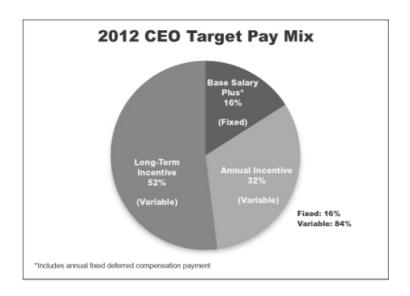
Position	Multiple
Group CEO	6.0 x base salary
Executive Officers Leading Major Business Units and Group CFO	3.0 x base salary
Other Executive Officers	2.0 x base salary

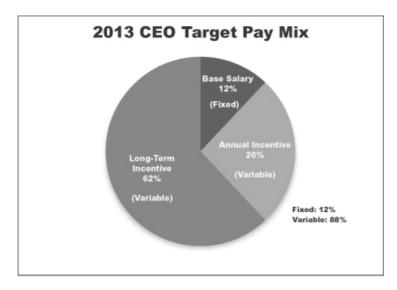
Executives are required to retain at least 50% of shares received under equity award programs until the ownership guidelines are met.

Finally, as discussed below, we changed the design of our new CEO's compensation.

In January 2013, the Board appointed Dominic Casserley as the Company's new CEO. The Company recruited Mr. Casserley from McKinsey & Company, where he led McKinsey's Greater China Practice and its UK and Ireland Practice and served as a senior partner and member of the firm's global board. Consistent with the Compensation Committee's and Board's compensation philosophy for 2013 and beyond, we structured the CEO compensation as follows:

- Lowered the CEO's total target pay package by over 25% compared to Mr. Plumeri resulting in less disparity between the compensation of the CEO and other named executive officers.
- Lowered the CEO's amount of fixed pay by almost 45%, increased the proportion of long-term incentive compensation relative to annual incentive compensation, as illustrated below, and added a cap on his annual incentive compensation awards.





- Provided the CEO, as a transition payment, with a one-time sign-on cash award of \$1,500,000, which will not be paid until the start of his second year of service. We believed this payment was reasonable and consistent with market practice given that our CEO was moving from McKinsey & Company's all-cash based compensation system to a system that combines cash and equity.
- Provided that the CEO's 2013 annual incentive compensation awards, if any, will be paid partially in equity.
- Revised the CEO's 2013 annual incentive compensation award to be based 80% on the Company's financial metrics and 20% on strategic goals, with no guaranteed payment.

• Continued the practice of providing a double trigger for accelerating vesting of the CEO's equity upon a change of control.

2.5 Summary Chart of the Components of Our Named Executive Officers Compensation

The chart below sets forth the main components, objectives, key features and details of our named executive officer compensation program. It also highlights certain features adopted by the Compensation Committee in response to the Company's shareholder outreach program that will be included within our 2013 named executive officer compensation and reflected in the 2014 proxy. As discussed in more detail in Section 3.0, the three components of our named executive officers' compensation are: base salary, annual incentive compensation, and long-term incentive compensation.

Component	Objective	Key Features/Detail	Forward-Looking Changes
BASE SALARY (Fixed)	 Provide secure base of cash compensation Attract and retain highly talented executives 	Positioned at/around median level in our peer group companies Salary adjustments made only to reflect changes in responsibilities or when competitive market conditions warrant	Lowered the CEO's amount of fixed pay by almost 45%.
ANNUAL INCENTIVE COMPENSATION (Variable)	Incent and reward executive officer contribution in generating: strong financial performance at Company strong financial/strategic performance at their business/functional unit Retain strong performers Provide annual performance-driven wealth creation	 Awards for the CEO were based 100% and awards for the other named executive officers were based 60% on the Company's performance against established targets for certain financial metrics(1)(2) that include: Adjusted Operating Margin Adjusted EPS Paid entirely in the form of cash(3) Payout determined using annual incentive sliding scale that incorporated symmetrical relationship between performance and payouts 	new revenue and profit metrics(4):

Component	Objective	Key Features/Detail	Forward-Looking Changes
	•	 Company financial metrics had a higher performance threshold for the CEO than the other named executive officers and the pool established for other employees (resulting in a zero payout to Mr. Plumeri with respect to the Adjusted EPS measure) The Company utilized a high ratio of variable pay to fixed pay to tie compensation to performance. For example, because performance metrics were not achieved, Mr. Plumeri's annual incentive award was reduced to 24% of his original target payout and 36% of his reduced target payout. 	long-term incentive compensation
LONG-TERM INCENTIVE COMPENSATION (Variable)	 Align executive officers' interests with those of our shareholders Incent long-term decision making Reward exceptional performance by executive officers Retain strong performers 		Adjusted EBIT (with Cost of Capital Modifier) 2013 Long-Term Incentive Program will include three-year performance period to better reflect pay for long-term performance For CEO, increased the proportion

- (1) These financial metrics represented how the Company manages its profitability (Adjusted Operating Margin) and enhances growth in shareholder value (Adjusted EPS).
- (2) These financial metrics were the same for all employees in the Company and its subsidiaries, who received annual incentive compensation awards or performance-based equity.
- (3) From time to time, the Company may pay a portion of annual incentive compensation awards in the form of RSUs, provided there is sufficient available share capacity.
- (4) The Board and Compensation Committee believe these metrics are key drivers of cash flow and shareholder value creation.
- (5) Accordingly, unless there are material and compelling circumstances (*i.e.*, on a limited basis, in connection with new hires), the Compensation Committee will not approve guaranteed incentive awards.

3.0 Named Executive Officer 2012 Compensation

3.1 The Company's 2012 Financial Performance

2012 was characterized by an ongoing challenging macroeconomic environment, especially in two of our key geographic regions, Western Europe and North America. Reported EPS was (\$2.58) and Adjusted EPS was \$2.58 (\$2.52 excluding the impact of foreign exchange) and our reported Operating Margin was (6.0%) and Adjusted Operating Margin was 21.6% (20.9% excluding the impact of foreign exchange). This compares to 2011 reported EPS of \$1.15 and Adjusted EPS of \$2.74 and reported Operating Margin of 16.4% and Adjusted Operating Margin of 22.5%.

As discussed below, these results were below the incentive targets established by our Compensation Committee and, accordingly, the Committee and the Board reduced our named executive officers' incentive awards. However, the Company also delivered the following in 2012:

- 1.3% reported commissions and fees growth and 3.1% organic commissions and fees growth:
 - o 6.1% organic commissions and fees growth in our Global segment;
 - o 4.9% organic commissions and fees growth in our International segment; and
 - o (0.6)% decline in organic commissions and fees in our North America segment, representing a significant improvement over the prior year.
- Significant improvement in the Company's financial performance in the fourth quarter, with 7.0% reported commissions and fees growth, 7.5% organic commissions and fees growth (representing the best quarterly organic growth result in over six years) and improvement in Adjusted Operating Margin by 40 basis points.
- 2012 cash flow from operating activities of \$525 million, up \$86 million, or 20%, from the prior year.
- \$285 million returned to shareholders through share repurchases and dividends.
- Substantive progress on key growth initiatives (pipeline development and management, producer retention and recruitment) and operational initiatives (Financial Transformation Project, global brokerage systems, global placement system).

3.2 Named Executive Officers' Annual Compensation

The key components of our named executive officers' annual compensation are:

- Base salary;
- Annual incentive compensation (payable in cash and/or equity awards); and
- Long-term incentive compensation.

Base Salary — Base salary is intended to provide a fixed level of remuneration to fairly compensate and retain executives for their time and effort based on the individual's role, experience and skill. The Compensation Committee strives to set base salary at a competitive level in the relevant markets in which our executive officers operate. Base salaries are reviewed by the Compensation Committee for all the Company's executive officers relative to our peer group and, from time to time, against other U.S. or U.K. survey data, as applicable. The base salary levels are generally positioned around the median of our peer group companies. In line with our compensation philosophy, exceptional performance by our executive officers is generally rewarded through annual and/or long-term incentive compensation and not through base salaries. Before he resigned as CEO effective January 6, 2013, Mr. Plumeri's base salary had not changed since he joined Willis in October 2000. This reflects the Company's and Mr. Plumeri's shared view that his pay was best aligned with shareholder interests if most of his annual compensation was at risk and tied to the Company's performance.

Adjustments to base salaries are made by the Compensation Committee to reflect changes in responsibilities or when competitive market conditions warrant. The following reflects the changes to the base salaries of our named executive officers during the past year:

- Based on the results of a market review, effective April 2012, Mr. Neborak received an increase to his annual base salary to \$600,000 from \$500,000.
- As a result of the increase in responsibilities related to his promotion to Chairman and CEO of Willis Global, Mr. Hearn received an increase in his annual base salary to £500,000 (\$792,500) from £400,000 (\$634,000), effective January 1, 2012. As a result of the increase in responsibilities related to his promotion to Deputy CEO, Mr. Hearn received a further increase in his annual base salary to £530,000 (\$840,050), effective January 1, 2013.
- As a result of increase of responsibilities related to his promotion to CEO of Willis International, Mr. Wright received an increase in his annual base salary to £500,000 (or \$792,500) from £405,000 (or \$641,925).
- Based on the increased scope of his role and increasingly competitive market conditions, effective April 2012, Mr. Krauze received an increase to his annual base salary \$700,000 from \$625,000.

Annual Incentive Compensation — Our annual incentive compensation plan is designed to incent and reward our named executive officers for their contribution in generating strong financial performance at the Company, strong financial or strategic performance at their business or functional unit, as well as to retain strong performers.

The Compensation Committee set Mr. Plumeri's annual incentive compensation for 2012 in accordance with his 2010 employment agreement. Other than Mr. Plumeri, each named executive officer is eligible to receive an annual incentive compensation award under the Company's Annual Incentive Plan ("AIP"). AIP awards are an integral component of the executive officer's total compensation and are based on specific company financial results as well as individual executive officer strategic objectives. The AIP is intended to deliver exceptional pay for exceptional performance and provides a well-timed link between recent performance and individual compensation, which is especially pertinent with the de-emphasis on regular base-pay increases.

Annual incentive compensation, which may be paid in cash and/or equity, is granted under the Willis Group Senior Management Incentive Plan (the "SMIP") to the extent named executive officers are "covered employees" within the meaning of Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended ("Section 162(m)"). Generally, annual incentive compensation awards to the executive officers are approved and, for named executive officers who are "covered employees" under Section 162(m), are typically certified by the Compensation Committee in February, with payments made in March. Previously, if annual incentive compensation awards were paid in the form of a cash retention award, then the executive officer would be required to repay a proportionate amount of the award if he or she voluntarily left the Company's employment before a specified date, which was generally three years. In December 2012, the Board changed its Company-wide remuneration policy and eliminated the repayment requirement from prior annual cash retention awards. Awards for 2012 were in the form of standard cash bonuses which do not include a repayment requirement. Current and prior annual incentive compensation awards continue to remain subject to the clawback provisions discussed in Section 4.0.

Annual Incentive Compensation Award for Joseph Plumeri (2012 CEO)

Pursuant to Mr. Plumeri's 2010 employment agreement, Mr. Plumeri's annual incentive compensation award was based 100% on the achievement by the Company of certain performance targets. Accordingly, pursuant to that 2010 agreement, each fiscal year the Compensation Committee established a threshold, target, and stretch financial performance goals (with maximum goals being no greater than 110% of the target goal). In February 2012, consistent with 2011 and based on the criteria in his employment agreement, the Compensation Committee approved annual incentive compensation performance goals of:

Threshold Payout 250% of his base salary if 95% of the performance targets were achieved.

Target Payout
375% of his base salary if 100% of the performance targets were achieved.

Stretch Payout 500% of his base salary if 105% of the performance targets were achieved.

Upon final approval of the 2012 budget, however, in consideration for the lack of growth in the Adjusted EPS target for 2012 relative to 2011, Mr. Plumeri proposed and the Compensation Committee agreed, to reduce his target payout to 250% (down from 375%) if 100% of the financial targets were achieved. This change is reflected in the revised payout column in the table below entitled "Summary of Annual Incentive Compensation Calculation For all Named Executive Officers."

In 2012, the Company financial measures used for determining Mr. Plumeri's annual incentive compensation award were Adjusted EPS (for 50% of the payment) and Adjusted Operating Margin (for 50% of the payment). These are measures that represent how the Company manages its

profitability (through the use of the Adjusted Operated Margin) and enhances growth in shareholder value (as measured by the Adjusted EPS).

Applying the Company's performance against Mr. Plumeri's Adjusted EPS target produced the following opportunity:

Adjusted EPS Target	Payout Opportunity as a % of Base Salary (Original)	Payout Opportunity as a %of Base Salary (Revised)
(Stretch) \$2.88	250%	250%
(Target) \$2.74	187.5%	125%
(Threshold) \$2.60	125%	83.5%
<\$2.60	0%	0%

As set forth in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended 2012, the Company reported Adjusted EPS of \$2.58. The Compensation Committee, however, eliminated the positive impact of foreign exchange (deemed outside of management's control) and thus reduced, for compensation purposes, 2012 Adjusted EPS to \$2.52. Because the Company did not achieve the Adjusted EPS threshold of \$2.60, this portion of Mr. Plumeri's annual incentive compensation award was \$0.

Applying the Company's performance against Mr. Plumeri's Adjusted Operating Margin target produced the following result:

Adjusted Operating Margin Target	Payout Opportunity as a % of Base Salary (Original)	Payout Opportunity as a % of Base Salary (Revised)
(Stretch) 22.9%	250%	250%
(Target) 21.8%	187.5%	125%
(Threshold) 20.7%	125%	83.5%
<20.7%	0%	0%

As set forth in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended 2012, the Company reported Adjusted Operating Margin of 21.6%. The Compensation Committee eliminated the positive impact of foreign exchange and this reduced, for compensation purposes, 2012 Adjusted Operating Margin to 20.9%. Because the Company exceeded the 20.7% threshold and met 96% of the 21.8% target, this portion of Mr. Plumeri's annual incentive compensation award was 48% of his target payout opportunity or 72% of his revised total target payout opportunity or \$905,963.

Accordingly, based on the formula discussed above, combining the results of both the Adjusted EPS and Adjusted Operating Margin formulas, the Compensation Committee approved an annual incentive compensation award to Mr. Plumeri of \$905,963 (*i.e.*, 24% of his total target payout opportunity of \$3,750,000 or 36% of his revised total target payout opportunity of \$2,500,000). Because Mr. Plumeri is no longer serving as the Company's CEO and will retire as Chairman of the Board on July 7, 2013, the Compensation Committee elected to pay Mr. Plumeri's 2012 annual incentive compensation award 100% in cash rather than partially in equity and partially in cash as in prior years.

Annual Incentive Compensation Awards for Michael Neborak, Stephen Hearn, Timothy Wright and Victor Krauze

The 2012 annual incentive compensation awards under the AIP for Messrs. Neborak, Hearn, Wright and Krauze were structured by the Compensation Committee as follows:

- 60% based on the following Company financial results:
 - o 30% based on how the Company performed against an Adjusted EPS target of \$2.74 per share (the same target used for the payout pool for all Company employees in the AIP); and
 - o 30% based on how the Company performed against an Adjusted Operating Margin target of 21.8% (the same target used for the payout pool for all Company employees in the AIP); and
- 40% based on how the named executive officer performed against individual strategic objectives, which for Messrs. Hearn, Wright and Krauze was largely based on the financial performance of their business units.

The resulting percentage was applied against the officer's annual incentive compensation target award, which is a percentage of the officer's base salary. Under Mr. Hearn's amendment to his employment agreement as a result of his promotion to Chairman and CEO of Willis Global in early 2012, he was entitled to receive a minimum AIP for the first year in his new role. Based on his performance as described below, Mr. Hearn's actual AIP award exceeded this minimum. No executive officer has any guaranteed annual incentives for 2013.

Company Performance Portion of Annual Incentive Compensation (60% of AIP)

With respect to the EPS-based component of the award, the following scale applied:

Adjusted EPS Target	Payout as % of Base Salary
\$2.88	110%
\$2.74	100%
\$2.60	90%
\$2.47	80%
\$2.33	70%
<\$2.33	0%

As stated above, the Company reported 2012 Adjusted EPS of \$2.58, but the Compensation Committee eliminated the positive impact of foreign exchange, reducing Adjusted EPS to \$2.52. Based on the above sliding scale, because the Adjusted EPS result was between the \$2.74 and \$2.60, this portion of each named executive officer's annual incentive award was funded at 84%.

With respect to the Adjusted Operating Margin component of the award, the following scale applied:

Adjusted Operating Margin Target	Payout Measurement
22.9%	110%
21.8%	100%
20.7%	90%
19.6%	80%
18.5%	70%
<18.5%	0%

As stated above, the Company reported 2012 Adjusted Operating Margin of 21.6%, but the Compensation Committee eliminated the positive impact of foreign exchange, reducing Adjusted Operating Margin to 20.9%. Based on the above sliding scale, this produced a payout percentage of 92% for this portion of each of the named executive officer's annual incentive award.

Based on the application of the above two scales, the blended payout percentage for the Company's performance against the Adjusted EPS and Adjusted Operating Margin targets was 88% of target. This comprised 60% of each of the named executive officer's annual incentive compensation award.

Individual Strategic Objectives and Business Unit Financial Goals (40% of AIP)

The Compensation Committee then considered the individual strategic objectives and business unit financial goals based on operating income and organic commissions and fees growth for Messrs. Neborak, Hearn, Wright and Krauze which were established at the beginning of 2012. The Compensation Committee reviewed the executives' performance against those objectives in the context of the overall Company financial and strategic performance. Key factors and resulting payout decisions are set forth below:

Michael Neborak

- Led efforts to contain group-wide expense growth.
- · Made significant progress in Financial Transformation Project.
- Completed 3-year Financial Operating Model.

As a result of the achievement of these goals, the Compensation Committee funded this portion of his annual incentive compensation award at 88%.

Stephen Hearn

- Willis Global achieved \$372 million operating income and 6.1% organic commissions and fees growth.
- Demonstrated leadership in development of a vision and strategy for the alignment of the Global business.
- Made significant progress in the deployment of an enterprise-wide placement initiative.
- Demonstrated leadership and support during the CEO transition.

As a result of the achievement of these goals, the Compensation Committee funded this portion of his annual incentive compensation award at 100%.

Timothy Wright

- Willis International achieved operating income of \$183 million and 4.9% organic commissions and fees growth.
- Achieved notable year-over-year commissions and fees growth despite poor economies in major markets, with growing momentum in the second half of 2012.
- Supported the deployment of enterprise-wide placement initiative in all major countries.

As a result of the achievement of these goals, the Compensation Committee funded this portion of his annual incentive compensation award at 89%.

Victor Krauze

- Willis North America achieved \$240 million of operating income. Despite a full-year decline in organic commissions and fees of (0.6)%, it achieved substantial shift in growth momentum culminating in 3.1% organic growth in the fourth quarter of 2012.
- Expanded emphasis on producer recruitment resulting in 3.2% net producer growth in 2012.
- Continued to successfully deploy Sales 2.0.

Despite these achievements, the Compensation Committee funded this portion of his annual incentive compensation award at 54%, reflecting the overall impact of Willis North America's financial results on Company performance.

The following table sets forth the calculation for 2012 annual incentive compensation awards all named executive officers:

Summary of Annual Incentive Compensation Calculation for all Named Executive Officers

				Relating to ortion of AIP	Payout % Relating to	Total Payout	
Named Executive Officer	2012 Salary	Bonus Target as % of Salary (\$/£)	Adjusted EPS	Adjusted Operating Margin	Individual Portion of AIP	as a % of Bonus Target	Bonus Payout \$/£
Joseph Plumeri (original target)	\$1,000,000	375% (\$3,750,000)	0%	48%	N/A	24%	\$905,963
Joseph Plumeri (revised target)	\$1,000,000	250% (\$2,500,000)	0%	72%	N/A	36%	\$905,963
Michael Neborak	\$600,000	100% (\$600,000)	84%	92%	88%	88%	\$528,000
Stephen Hearn ⁽¹⁾	£500,000 or (\$792,500)	175% (£875,000) or (\$1,386,875)	84%	92%	100%	93%	£815,000 or (\$1,291,775)
Timothy Wright ⁽¹⁾	£500,000 or (\$792,500)	175% (£875,000) or (\$1,386,875)	84%	92%	89%	89%	£775,000 or (\$1,228,375)
Victor Krauze	\$700,000	N/A(2)	84%	92%	54%	74%	\$910,000

- (1) Messrs. Hearn and Wright receive their salaries and bonuses in pounds sterling; the above figures have been converted into dollars at the average exchange rate for 2012 (£1:\$1.585).
- (2) Mr. Krauze did not have a formal bonus target. To calculate Mr. Krauze's 2012 bonus the Compensation Committee utilized the same bonus target as Messrs. Hearn and Wright (175% of salary).

All annual incentive compensation awards were paid in cash. Further details of the 2012 annual incentive compensation awards made to our named executive officers are shown in the Bonus and Non-Equity Incentive Plan Columns of the "Summary Compensation" table.

Further details regarding the changes made to the 2013 annual incentive compensation program of our CEO and other named executive officers are reflected in Section 2.4, "Redesign of Our Named Executive Officer Compensation for 2013 in Response to Advisory Vote" and Section 2.5 "Summary Chart of the Components of Our Named Executive Officers Compensation."

Long-Term Incentive Compensation

Our long-term incentives are a significant element of our executive officers' compensation and have typically been in the form of equity awards. For several years, we did not have a consistent long-term incentive program and. in 2010, in light of economic conditions, we did not make regular equity awards to our named executive officers except to satisfy pre-existing commitments or in connection with sign-on equity awards made to attract new competitive talent to the Company. In 2011, we implemented a Long-Term Incentive Program for senior leaders. In that year, we granted options and deferred cash as a portion of the long-term incentive plan as an alternative to the use of RSUs due to the lack of share availability under the Company's equity plans at the time.

2012 Long-Term Incentive Program

In April 2012, the Compensation Committee adopted the 2012 Long-Term Incentive Program (the "2012 LTI Program"), which had both performance-based and time-based components to both reward performance and help ensure retention. Grants of options, performance-based RSUs and time-based RSUs were made in December 2012 and, for the performance-based equity, included performance targets established in the second quarter of 2012. All named executive officers, other than Mr. Plumeri, were eligible to participate and, as a result, Messrs. Neborak, Hearn, Wright and Krauze received awards under the 2012 LTI Program.

For the named executive officers, their individual 2012 awards were comprised of:

	Performance-	
<u>Options</u>	Based RSUs	Time-Based RSUs
25%	50%	25%

The equity granted under the 2012 LTI Program was made under the recently adopted Willis Group Holdings Public Limited Company 2012 Equity Incentive Plan (the "2012 Plan"). The options, time-based RSUs and performance-based RSUs earned based on the performance of the 2012 targets discussed below, will vest 50% on the second and third anniversaries of the grant date (*i.e.*, December 26, 2014 and December 26, 2015), subject to the continued employment of the participant during the vesting period. Dividends are not payable on any of the equity granted under the 2012 LTI Program.

Similar to the annual incentive compensation awards, the amount of performance-based RSUs granted under the 2012 LTI Program would be earned 50% based on the achievement of an Adjusted EPS target of \$2.74 and 50% based on the achievement of an Adjusted Operating Margin target of 21.8%. However, if the targets were not achieved at 100%, the earned amount of the performance-based RSU award would be reduced in accordance with the following sliding scales:

Performance Against Applicable Adjusted EPS Target	% of Earned Performance Based-RSUs
\$2.74	100%
\$2.60	90%
\$2.47	80%
<\$2.47	0%
Performance Against	% of Earned Performance
Adjusted Operating Margin Target	Based-RSUs
Adjusted Operating Margin Target 21.8%	Based-RSUs 100%
21.8%	100%

The Compensation Committee applied the same analysis in determining financial performance against applicable targets that they used in determining the annual incentive compensation awards for the named executive officers. As a result, 88% of the performance-based RSUs granted under the 2012 LTI Program were earned by the respective named executive officer and they received long-term incentive awards equal in value to: Michael Neborak (\$940,000); Stephen Hearn £1,304,732 (or \$2,068,000); Timothy Wright £889,590 (or \$1,410,000); and Victor Krauze (\$1,128,000).

Grants to 2012 Named Executive Officers Outside of the 2012 Long-Term Incentive Program

In 2012, under the terms of his 2010 employment agreement, performance-based RSUs were granted to Mr. Plumeri. This was the last equity grant required under Mr. Plumeri's employment agreement.

The RSUs were 100% performance related and similar to the performance-based RSUs granted under the 2012 LTI Program, 50% of the award would be earned if an Adjusted EPS target of \$2.74 was met and 50% of the award would be earned if an Adjusted Operating Margin of 21.8% was met. However, if the targets were not achieved at 100%, the amount of the performance-based RSU award would be reduced in accordance with the same equity sliding scale as the 2012 LTI Program. The Compensation Committee applied the same analysis in determining financial performance against applicable targets that they used in determining the annual incentive compensation awards and the 2012 LTI Program for the named executive officers. As a result, 88% of the performance-based RSUs granted to Mr. Plumeri were earned and Mr. Plumeri received a long-term incentive award value equal to \$5,280,000.

In connection with his promotion in January 2012 from CEO of Willis Re to Chairman and CEO of Willis Global, Mr. Hearn received 6,500 time-based RSUs. These RSUs vest in equal tranches on the first, second and third anniversaries of the grant date.

Details of the 2012 equity award grants made to the named executive officers and the awards earned as a result of the Company's financial performance are contained in the compensation tables "Grants of Plan-Based Awards" and "Outstanding Equity Awards at Fiscal Year End." Details concerning the employment agreements of the named executive officers are set forth in the sections entitled "Compensation Tables — Joseph Plumeri's Employment Agreement (2012 CEO)" and "— Other Named Executive Officers' Employment Agreements."

Long-term incentive awards that are intended to be "qualified performance-based compensation" under Section 162(m) were granted under the SMIP or under a combination of the SMIP and one of the Company's equity plans or any sub-plans thereto, including the 2012 Plan, the Willis Group Holdings 2008 Share Purchase and Option Plan (the "2008 Plan"), the 2000 Hilb, Rogal and Hamilton Share Incentive Plan (the "2000 HRH Plan") and the 2007 Hilb Rogal and Hobbs Share Incentive Plan (the "2007 HRH Plan" and together with the 2012 Plan, the 2008 Plan and the 2000 HRH Plan, the "Plans").

Further details regarding the changes made to the 2013 long-term incentive compensation program of our CEO and other named executive officers are reflected in Section 2.4, "Redesign of Our Named Executive Officer Compensation" and Section 2.5 "Summary Chart of the Components of Our Named Executive Officer Compensation."

3.3 Perquisites and Other Benefits

The Company does not believe that providing generous executive perquisites is either necessary to attract and retain executive talent or consistent with our pay-for-performance philosophy. Therefore, other than the benefits described in the "Summary Compensation" table, we do not provide perquisites such as personal use of aircraft, excise tax gross-ups, financial planning services, club memberships or vacation homes to our executive officers. Our corporate aircraft use policy permits a

guest of an executive officer or director to accompany them on a business flight on Company aircraft if a seat is available and they reimburse the Company the equivalent of a first-class airline ticket.

In order for Mr. Plumeri to exercise stock options or to receive RSUs when they vest under our equity programs, he is required by federal law to file a notification and report form under the Hart–Scott–Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976. The Compensation Committee determined that the Company should pay the filing fee and associated legal fees, since otherwise Mr. Plumeri would not receive the same benefit from the equity compensation components as other executive officers of the Company. Accordingly, "Other Compensation" for Mr. Plumeri in the "Summary Compensation Table" includes the filing fee paid on his behalf during 2012.

In addition, the Company provides retirement, life insurance and medical benefits to our executive officers to be competitive with the marketplace in which our executive officers operate (which are the same as those provided to other employees in the workplace).

Retirement income is provided to Mr. Plumeri and some other executive officers through our defined benefit retirement plans. The U.S. defined benefit plan was closed to new hires on January 1, 2007 and was frozen on May 15, 2009. Newly hired executive officers only participate in defined contribution plans. The Company also maintains the Willis Pension Scheme (UK), an approved U.K. defined benefit plan. The Willis Pension Scheme (UK) was closed to new members beginning on January 1, 2006. In 2006, it was replaced by a defined contribution plan for new employees. Details of the retirement benefits received by the named executive officers are contained in the compensation tables in the section entitled "Pension Benefits."

For U.S. employees, a 401(k) Plan is available for saving towards retirement. In order to provide the opportunity to accumulate retirement income and improve retention, the Company reinstated a matching contribution (which had been suspended in recent years) to the 401(k) Plan effective as of January 1, 2011. The matching contribution was made on December 31, 2012 for eligible employees who were still employed by the Company on that date.

We also maintain a deferred compensation plan for certain U.S. employees whose annual salary is in excess of \$225,000 that allows them to plan their tax position through a deferral of part of their annual compensation. Messrs. Plumeri and Krauze both currently participate in this plan. The Company may also make certain contributions to the deferred compensation plan on behalf of Mr. Plumeri. As provided in his 2010 employment agreement, the Company contributes \$800,000 annually on behalf of Mr. Plumeri to provide him with retirement income. The final installment of the contribution for Mr. Plumeri's under this plan was paid on April 15, 2013, reflecting a pro-rata payment for 2013.

4.0 Clawback Policy

Under the Company's clawback policy, the Board, or any of its committees, may to the extent permitted by applicable law, cancel or require reimbursement of any incentive payments or equity-based awards received by an executive officer after December 31, 2008, if and to the extent that (i) the incentive payment or equity award was based on the achievement of Company financial results which are subsequently restated, (ii) the Compensation Committee determines that the executive officer engaged in fraud, negligence or other misconduct that contributed to the need to restate the Company's financial results and (iii) the incentive payments or equity-based award values made to the executive officer would have been lower if the Company's results had been properly reported. In such

cases, the Company will seek to recover from the executive officer the amount by which the actual incentive payment or equity award for the relevant period exceeded the amount that the executive officer would have received based on the restated results. The Company's clawback policy is posted on its website under Investor Relations — Corporate Governance.

The Company will comply, and has modified its award agreements to so indicate, with the provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act, and will adopt a revised mandatory clawback policy that will require the Company, in the event of a restatement, to recover from current and former executives any incentive-based compensation, for the three years preceding the restatement, that would not have been awarded under the restated financial statements. The Compensation Committee periodically reviews the Company's clawback policy and, to ensure full compliance, will propose its final recommendations to the full Board once it has had the benefit of reviewing the SEC's proposed and final rules for the legislation.

5.0 Executive Officer and Outside Director Share Ownership Guidelines

We maintain share ownership guidelines under which executive officers and outside directors are expected to acquire a meaningful level of share ownership in the Company, so as to further align their interests with those of our shareholders. In February 2013, the Compensation Committee revised the executive officer share ownership guidelines to require them to own shares equivalent in value to a multiple of his or her base salary, as set forth below:

Position	<u>Multiple</u>
Group CEO	6.0 x base salary
Executive Officers Leading Major Business Units and Group CFO	3.0 x base salary
Other Executive Officers	2.0 x base salary

Executives are encouraged to comply with their applicable guideline as soon as practical given their individual circumstances and no later than five years from (i) March 1, 2013 (the date of the implementation of the policy (*i.e.*, March 1, 2018)) or (ii) the date of the executive's hiring or promotion. The failure to comply with or make reasonable progress towards meeting the share ownership guidelines in a timely fashion will result in the executive being required to retain all net shares acquired by him or her under the exercise of share options or the vesting of RSUs (net of shares surrendered for the payment of the exercise price and any taxes).

For purposes of meeting the executive officer share ownership guidelines, the related value using the three-month average share price of the following shares will be counted towards achieving and maintaining compliance: shares owned outright; shares or units held in Willis broad-based share purchase plans (*i.e.*, the ESPP, UK Sharesave); unvested RSUs and RSUs subject to time-based vesting; and unvested earned performance-based RSUs. Options and unearned performance RSUs are not counted as shares owned for purposes of the guidelines.

Executives are required to retain at least 50% of the net shares received under equity award programs until the ownership guidelines are met.

As discussed under "Corporate Governance — Outside Director Compensation," outside directors are required to hold shares equal to the lesser of 3.5 times the directors' cash retainer of \$100,000 (*i.e.*, \$350,000) or 10,000 shares.

6.0 Anti-Hedging Policies

The Company prohibits executive officers and directors from pledging any Company shares, entering into margin accounts, short selling any Company shares, selling shares "against the box" and buying or selling puts or calls relating to Company shares.

7.0 Share Award Policy

The Board of Directors' has a policy governing the granting of options and other share-based awards under the Company's Plans.

It is the Company's policy to neither backdate option grants or other share-based awards to take advantage of a lower share price nor to schedule grants of options or other share-based awards before or after specific events to take advantage of anticipated movements in the price of our shares.

It is also the Company's policy to grant options with an exercise price no less than the closing sales price as quoted on the NYSE on the date of grant, except in the case of any sharesave sub-plans adopted by the Company for non-U.S. taxpayers outside of the U.S., for which the exercise price of the option is set at a 5% or 10% discount off the closing sales price on the date before employees are invited to participate, consistent with past practice to incent employee ownership.

In addition to approving Share-based awards to executive officers, the Compensation Committee is responsible for approving the overall allocation of Share-based awards to the employees of the Company and its subsidiaries and affiliates for the forthcoming year. Implementation of the granting of such awards within the agreed annual plan is delegated to the Share Award Committee consisting of the CEO, the Group Chief Financial Officer and the Group Human Resources Director. The members of the Share Award Committee work closely with the Chairman of the Compensation Committee to ensure that, in particular, the timing of grants is appropriate.

Awards may be made at a time when the Company is in possession of material non-public information, so long as the timing of the award is not motivated by an intention to improperly use any such material non-public information for the benefit of the recipient.

Under this policy, annual share-based awards are authorized by the Compensation Committee and the grant date shall be the date of that meeting or a date specified by the Compensation Committee no later than 30 days following that meeting. Except as directed by the Compensation Committee, share-based awards granted in connection with a new hire, a promotion or the assignment of additional responsibilities to an existing employee or for retention purposes will be considered granted on March 5th, May 10th, August 10th, November 10th or December 5th (or if the applicable grant date is not a trading day, the next trading day) on the date most closely following the month in which such recipient's employment or promotion or assignment of new responsibilities commenced and such retention award was approved.

8.0 Tax and Accounting Implications

The Compensation Committee considers the anticipated tax treatment to the Company and to the executive officers in its review and establishment of compensation programs and payments. Section 162(m) imposes a limit on the amount the Company may deduct for U.S. tax purposes for compensation paid to our CEO and our three most highly compensated executive officers employed at the end of the year (other than the Chief Financial Officer). However, compensation which qualifies as "performance-based" under Section 162(m) is excluded from the limit if, among other requirements, the compensation is payable only upon the attainment of pre-established, objective performance goals under a plan approved by the Company's shareholders.

The SMIP, which was approved by shareholders at the 2005 Annual General Meeting, is intended to comply with the provisions of, and to be administered in compliance with the requirements of, Section 162(m). The Company is also authorized to grant equity awards that qualify as "performance-based" compensation under certain of the Company's Plans.

The SMIP provides for an annual incentive compensation award equal to 5% of the Company's earnings for the fiscal year, which the Compensation Committee may reduce (but not increase) in its discretion. For this purpose, "earnings" means the Company's operating income before taxes and extraordinary loss as reported in its audited consolidated financial statements, as adjusted to eliminate the effect of certain events specified in the SMIP. The Compensation Committee also takes other performance metrics into consideration in determining amounts payable under the SMIP (including, among other things, revenue and profit metrics), but the amounts payable under the SMIP may not exceed the amount described above. The Compensation Committee designates the executive officers who participate in the SMIP.

The Compensation Committee may consider the following performance criteria when granting performance-based awards: (i) annual revenue, (ii) budget comparisons, (iii) controllable profits, (iv) EPS or Adjusted EPS, (v) expense management, (vi) improvements in capital structure, (vii) net income, (viii) net or gross sales, (ix) operating income (pre—or post-tax), (x) profit margins, (xi) operating or gross margin, (xii) profitability of an identifiable business unit or product, (xiii) return on investments, (xiv) return on sales, (xv) return on stockholders' equity, (xvi) total return to stockholders, (xvii) assets under management, (xviii) investment management performance, (xix) mutual and other investment fund performance, (xx) cash flow, operating cash flow or operating cash flow per share (before or after dividends), (xxii) price of the shares or any other publicly traded securities of the Company, (xxiii) reduction in costs, (y) return on capital, including return on total capital or return on invested capital, (xiv) improvement in or attainment of expense levels or working capital levels, and (xv) performance of the Company relative to a peer group of companies and/or relevant indexes on any of the foregoing measures.

Interpretations of and changes in applicable tax laws and regulations as well as other factors beyond the control of the Compensation Committee can affect deductibility of compensation and there can be no assurance that compensation paid to our executive officers who are covered by Section 162(m) will be treated as qualified performance-based compensation. Our general policy is to preserve the tax deductibility of compensation paid to the CEO and other named executive officers, including annual incentives and equity awards under the terms of the Company's Plans. The Compensation Committee reserves the right to use its judgment to authorize compensation payments that may not be deductible when the Compensation Committee believes that such payments are

appropriate and in the best interests of the Company, taking into consideration changing business conditions and the performance of its employees.

The Compensation Committee will continue to monitor developments and assess alternatives for preserving the deductibility of compensation payments and benefits to the extent reasonably practicable, consistent with its compensation policies and as determined to be in the best interests of the Company and its shareholders.

It is also the Company's general policy to deliver equity-based compensation to employees in as tax-efficient a manner as possible, taking into consideration the overall cost to the Company, for which the Company accounts in accordance with FAS 123R.

9.0 Payments on Change of Control and Termination

Historically, the Company has been selective in providing for potential payments relating to a change of control. The Compensation Committee may enter into such agreements when in its business judgment it believes that such payments are appropriate and in the best interests of the Company. No named executive officer is entitled to any automatic payments in connection with a change of control of the Company. However, certain equity awards held by our named executive officers vest in part or in full upon a change of control and the deferred cash awards held by our named executive officers may, in the discretion of the Compensation Committee, become payable upon a change of control. Treatment of equity awards in this manner (as opposed to cash payments that are not automatically accelerated) ensures that our executives are motivated primarily by the needs of the businesses for which they are responsible, rather than circumstances that are outside the ordinary course of business—*i.e.*, circumstances that might lead to the termination of an executive's employment or that might lead to a change in control of the Company. Generally, this is achieved by assuring our named executive officers that they will receive their equity awards if their employment is adversely affected in these circumstances, subject to certain conditions. We believe that these benefits help ensure that affected executives act in the best interests of our shareholders, even if such actions are otherwise contrary to their personal interests. This is critical because these are circumstances in which the actions of our named executive officers may have a material impact upon our shareholders.

The Company provides severance protection to key employees in limited circumstances primarily where the employee is terminated by the Company without cause or the employee resigns for good reason. The Compensation Committee believes that severance benefits are a necessary component of a competitive compensation program and, in certain cases, are in consideration for an executive's agreement not to compete. Messrs. Plumeri, Casserley and Hearn are also entitled to enhanced severance benefits in the event their employment is terminated by us without cause or by the executive for good reason in connection with a change of control in order to avoid any associated distractions. The Compensation Committee believes that its use of severance benefits is not significantly different from the severance benefits typically in place at other companies.

Joseph Plumeri (2012 CEO)

Mr. Plumeri resigned as the Company's CEO on January 6, 2013 but will continue to serve as non-executive chairman and as an employee of Willis North America, Inc., a subsidiary of the Company through July 7, 2013.

Change of control provisions were included in Mr. Plumeri's employment agreement when he originally joined the Company. At that time, the Company was privately owned, predominantly by

Kohlberg, Kravis & Roberts ("KKR"). In order to recruit an individual of the right caliber to fill the role of Chairman and CEO of the Company as then existed, and given the range of exit strategies available to KKR, it was considered appropriate at that time to include provisions in his employment agreement which provided protection in the case of a change of control.

During 2009, the Compensation Committee and the Board of Directors determined that it would be in the best interests of the Company to ensure Mr. Plumeri's continued services as the Company's Chairman and CEO until July of 2013. In addition, Mr. Plumeri, the Compensation Committee and the Board of Directors agreed that Mr. Plumeri's prior employment agreement should be updated to reflect the evolution of best pay practices over the last several years. At the time, two members of the Compensation Committee, Sir Roy Gardner and Mr. McCann, participated in all discussions with Mr. Plumeri regarding his employment agreement and were advised during the negotiations by the Compensation Committee's consultant.

Specifically, it was determined that the provision in Mr. Plumeri's employment agreement allowing the executive to voluntarily terminate his employment for any reason following a change of control and receive severance payments was inconsistent with best pay practices as well as the Company's compensation philosophy and objectives. Consequently, the amended employment agreement, which Mr. Plumeri entered into in January 2010, provided that Mr. Plumeri could no longer voluntarily terminate his employment following a "change of control" (as defined in his employment agreement) and receive severance. Instead, it provided that he is eligible to receive severance payments and benefits only if he is involuntarily terminated without "cause" or terminates employment for "good reason" (each as defined in his employment agreement). However, if Mr. Plumeri terminated his employment without "good reason" following a "change of control," he would be credited with the amount that the Company would have contributed to his deferred compensation benefit account had he remained until the end of his contract of employment, on July 7, 2013. Further information regarding Mr. Plumeri's employment agreement and details of the change of control and severance provisions are contained in the sections entitled "Compensation Tables — Joseph Plumeri's Employment Agreement (2012 CEO);" "— Potential Payments to Mr. Plumeri Upon Termination or Change of Control."

Dominic Casserley (Current CEO)

Under his employment agreement dated as of October 16, 2012, in the event that Mr. Casserley's employment is terminated by the Company without "cause," Mr. Casserley resigns for "good reason" (as such terms are defined in his employment agreement) or Mr. Casserley is terminated as a result of the non-renewal of his employment agreement by the Company within the first four years of employment (a "Qualifying Termination"), Mr. Casserley would be entitled to receive severance payments and benefits, including partial service vesting credit (but not performance-vesting credit) for his annual equity-based long-term incentive awards. In the event of a Qualifying Termination within two years following a "change of control" (as such term is defined in his employment agreement), certain of Mr. Casserley's severance payments would be paid in a lump sum (rather than installments) and Mr. Casserley would receive full service-vesting credit (but not performance-vesting credit) for each of the annual equity-based long-term incentive awards granted to him. Lastly, upon termination of employment (other than for "cause") concurrent with or following the expiration of the full five-year term of the agreement, Mr. Casserley would be entitled to partial service-vesting credit (but not performance-vesting credit) for each of the annual equity-based long-term incentive awards granted to him and such termination will be treated as retirement for purposes of compensation previously paid or

payable to him. Further information regarding Mr. Casserley's employment agreement and details of the change of control and severance provisions are contained in the section entitled "Compensation Tables — Dominic Casserley's Employment Agreement (Current CEO)."

Other Named Executive Officers

Michael Neborak

In order to attract Mr. Neborak as the new Group CFO, the Company agreed in his employment agreement that all of his earned and unvested RSUs and options shall immediately vest in the event of a Change of Control (as such term is defined in the applicable Plans and/or RSU agreement). In the event Mr. Neborak is involuntarily terminated without "cause" (as such term is defined in his employment agreement) he is eligible to receive severance payments. Mr. Neborak has also entered into a restrictive covenant agreement with the Company that provides, in part, that we may require that Mr. Neborak refrain from working for, engaging or generally having a financial interest in certain of our competitors after the termination of his employment, in exchange for providing severance payments and continued healthcare coverage to him during such non-compete period.

Stephen Hearn

At the same time the Board appointed Mr. Casserley as the Company's new CEO, it promoted Mr. Hearn to the new role of Deputy CEO. Mr. Hearn has been employed by the Company for almost four years and in January 2012 was promoted to Chairman and CEO of Willis Global, encompassing the Company's global reinsurance, placement and specialty, operations. The Board believes the combination of Mr. Casserley's external perspective and broad global experience and Mr. Hearn's internal perspective and deep industry experience is a powerful partnership to drive the Company's strategic direction.

On October 16, 2012, in connection with this promotion to Deputy CEO, Mr. Hearn entered into an amended employment agreement which became effective on January 1, 2013. Under the amended contract, in the event that Mr. Hearn's employment is terminated without "cause" or Mr. Hearn resigns for "good reason" (as such terms are defined in his employment agreement), Mr. Hearn would be entitled to receive severance payments and benefits including partial acceleration of his long-term incentive awards. In the event that Mr. Hearn's employment is terminated without "cause" or Mr. Hearn resigns for "good reason" within two years following a "change in control" (as such term is defined in his employment agreement), Mr. Hearn would be entitled to receive an enhanced severance payment.

Timothy Wright

On July 19, 2012, Mr. Wright entered into an amendment to his employment agreement which provides that in the event Mr. Wright is terminated by the Company for any reason other than for "cause" (as such term is defined in his amendment), he will be entitled to receive a severance payment.

Victor Krauze

In order to retain the services of Mr. Krauze during the transition from Mr. Plumeri to Mr. Casserley as the Group's CEO, on October 16, 2012, a Company subsidiary entered into an amendment to Mr. Krauze's April 8, 2011 promotion letter. Under the amendment, Mr. Krauze is eligible for enhanced severance payments and benefits if before December 31, 2013, he is involuntarily

terminated by the Company other than for "good cause" (as such term is defined in the amendment to his promotion letter) or he resigns for "good reason". "Good reason" in the amendment to his employment agreement means, (i) a material diminution in status, position, authority or duties which in Mr. Krauze's reasonable judgment is materially inconsistent with and has a material adverse impact on his status, position, authority or duties, (ii) beginning on April 2, 2013 and ending on December 31, 2013, Mr. Krauze's dissatisfaction with the strategy, policies or operating procedures adopted by Mr. Casserley and (iii) other events constituting good reason. Further, Mr. Krauze's employment agreement provides that we may require that Mr. Krauze refrain from undertaking any activity deemed to be in competition with the Company for a period of up to 12 months following termination of employment in exchange for monthly payments equivalent to his base salary and continued healthcare coverage to him during the non-compete period. Such payments may be reduced by the amount of any other post-employment payments paid to Mr. Krauze.

Further information regarding Messrs. Neborak, Hearn, Wright and Krauze's employment agreements and Mr. Neborak's and Mr. Krauze's restrictive covenant agreements and details of the applicable termination provisions are contained in the sections entitled "Compensation Tables — Other Named Executive Officers' Employment Agreements" and "— Potential Payments to Named Executive Officers other than the CEO Upon Termination or Change of Control."

COMPENSATION COMMITTEE REPORT

This report is submitted to the shareholders of Willis Group Holdings Public Limited Company by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors. The Compensation Committee consists solely of non-executive directors who are independent, as determined by the Board in accordance with the Company's guidelines and NYSE listing standards.

The Compensation Committee has reviewed, and discussed with management, the Compensation Discussion and Analysis contained in this Proxy Statement, and based on this review and discussion, recommended to the Board that it be included in this Proxy Statement.

Submitted by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors Wendy E. Lane (Chairman), Jeffrey B. Lane and James F. McCann.

COMPENSATION COMMITTEE INTERLOCKS AND INSIDER PARTICIPATION

None of our executive officers serves as a member of the Board of Directors or compensation committee of any entity that has one or more of its executive officers serving as a member of the Compensation Committee. In addition, none of our executive officers serves as a member of the compensation committee of any entity that has one or more of its executive officers serving as a member of our Board of Directors.

COMPENSATION TABLES

Summary Compensation Table

The following table sets forth the total compensation earned for services rendered in 2012 by the Company's former CEO, Mr. Joseph Plumeri (who resigned as CEO on January 6, 2013 and will retire as Chairman of the Board on July 7, 2013), the Group CFO and each of the three most highly compensated executive officers of the Company.

Name and Principal Position	Year	Salary (\$)	Bonus (\$)(1)	Share Awards (\$)(2)	Option Awards (\$)(2)	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation(3)	Change in Pension Value and Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Earnings (\$)(4)	All Other Compensation (\$)(5)	Total (\$)
Joseph Plumeri									
Former 2012 CEO	2012 2011 2010	1,000,000 1,000,000 1,000,000	- - -	6,911,420 8,539,014 8,106,213	- - -	905,963 729,166 2,031,250	(17,281) 10,164 (21,461)	1,016,660 1,197,933 974,584	9,834,043 11,476,277 12,090,586
Michael Neborak							· · ·		
Group CFO	2012 2011 2010	575,000 500,000 244,318	528,000 450,000 500,000	749,955 - 500,007	249,993 182,891 –	281,250 –	_ _ _	5,000 4,167 —	2,107,948 1,418,308 1,244,325
Stephen Hearn(6)									
Deputy CEO; CEO & Chairman Willis Global	2012	792,500	1,291,775	1,879,742	549,994	-	_	95,100	4,609,111
Timothy Wright(6)									
CEO, Willis International	2012	792,500	1,228,375	1,124,965	374,993	-	-	33,085	3,553,918
Victor Krauze									
CEO & Chairman, Willis North America	2012 2011	681,250 625,000	910,000 750,000	899,979 1,037,750	299,993 243,851	375,000	257,453 134,232	23,230 9,971	3,071,905 3,175,554

- (1) The Bonus column reflects only that portion of the annual incentive compensation award paid in cash to the named executive officers for services rendered for the relevant fiscal year. Because any RSUs or option awards granted as part of an annual incentive compensation award are granted in March of the year following the one in which services are rendered, these equity awards are reflected in the Share Awards and Option Awards columns for the next year. In 2012, all named executive officers were paid 100% of their annual incentive compensation award in cash. In 2010 and 2011, Mr. Plumeri's annual incentive compensation award was paid 50% in cash and 50% in RSUs. Due to the nature of Mr. Plumeri's employment agreement, his annual incentive compensation award is reflected in the column "Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation" discussed in footnote (3) below.
- (2) The Share Awards and Option Awards columns include any RSUs or option awards granted in the recently completed fiscal year as part of an annual incentive compensation award for services rendered in the preceding year as well as any other equity awards made during the course of the relevant fiscal year. The actual earned awards are set forth in the footnotes to the "Grants of Plan-Based Awards" table.

For awards subject to performance conditions, the amount included in the table is the full fair value at the grant date based on the probable outcome with respect to the satisfaction of the performance

condition consistent with the recognition criteria in FASB ASC Topic 718 (excluding the effect of estimated forfeiture). For more information regarding the equity awards, see the "Grants of Plan-Based Awards" table and the "Outstanding Equity Awards at Fiscal Year End" table.

- (3) For 2012, the Non-Equity Incentive Plan column reflects the annual incentive compensation award paid 100% in cash to Mr. Plumeri.
- (4) The US Pension share was closed to new hires on January 1, 2007 and frozen on May 15, 2009. The Willis Pension Scheme (UK) was closed to new members beginning on January 1, 2006.

The Change in Pension Value and Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Earnings column includes the aggregate earnings Mr. Plumeri receives under the non-qualified deferred compensation plan, which for 2012 was (\$25,741), reflecting investment earnings of \$801 offset by Social Security and Medicare taxes totaling \$26,542. The Change in Pension Value of \$8,460 reflects changes in valuation assumptions required by applicable accounting rules and actuarial standards and a one-year increase in the executive's age.

- (5) For 2012, the All Other Compensation column for the named executive officers consisted of:
 - a. For Mr. Plumeri, (i) a deferred compensation credit of \$800,000 pursuant to the terms of his previous employment agreement, which he receives for each year he continues to be with the Company and which is paid into a non-qualified deferred compensation plan on his behalf, after the payment of Social Security and Medicare taxes, (ii) the \$200,000 Hart–Scott–Rodino Antitrust report filing fee and associated legal fees described in the "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" section and (iii) car charges.
 - b. For Mr. Neborak, the Company's contribution to his 401(k) Plan.
 - c. For Mr. Hearn, the Company's contribution to his defined contribution plan.
 - d. For Mr. Wright, contributions to a personal pension arrangement set up by Mr. Wright for his own personal benefit. The Company has no ongoing role in the governance or management of the plan and no residual liabilities in respect of it. The contributions made by the Company to the Willis Stakeholder Pension Scheme in respect of Mr. Wright include \$11,621 in lieu of entitlement to a car allowance.
 - e. For Mr. Krauze, (i) \$18,230 tax-gross up for the 2010 calendar year to which he was entitled before his employment contract was amended to eliminate such tax gross-ups and (ii) the Company's contribution to his defined contribution plan.
- (6) Messrs. Hearn and Wright receive their salaries and bonuses in pounds sterling and the above figures have been converted into dollars at the average exchange rate for 2012 (£1:\$1.585).

Grants of Plan-Based Awards

The following table sets forth the grants of plan-based awards made to the named executive officers during 2012.

	Count	A	Estimated Future Payouts Under Non- Equity Incentive Plan Awards Threshold	Tours	Maximum	Estimated Future Payouts Under Equity Incentive Plan Awards Threshold	Thomas	Maximum	All Other Stock Awards: Number of Shares of Stocks or Units	All Other Awards Number of Securities Underlying Options	Exercise or Base Price of Option Awards	Grant Date Fair Value of Stock and Option Awards
Name	Grant Date	Approval Date	(\$)	Target (\$)	(\$)	(#)	Target (#)	(#)	(#)	(#)	(\$/Share)	(\$)
Joseph Plumeri	-(1) 3/1/12(2) 5/7/12(3)	2/7/12 4/24/12	1,250,000 - -	1,875,000 - -	2,500,000 - -	- 66,079	- 165,198	- 165,198	25,783 –	- - -	- - -	911,429 5,999,991
Michael Neborak	12/26/12(4) 12/26/12(5) 12/26/12(6)	12/10/12 12/10/12 12/10/12	- - -	- - -	- - -	5,963 –	14,907 –	14,907 _	- - 7,453	34,059 - -	33.54 - -	249,993 499,981 249,974
Stephen Hearn	3/1/12(7) 12/26/12(4) 12/26/12(5) 12/26/12(6)	2/7/12 12/10/12 12/10/12 12/10/12	- - - -	- - - -	- - - -	- 13,118 -	32,796 –	32,796 -	6,500 - - 16,398	74,931 - -	33.54 - -	229,775 549,994 1,099,978 549,989
Victor Krauze	12/26/12(4) 12/26/12(5) 12/26/12(6)	12/10/12 12/10/12 12/10/12	- - -	- - -	- - -	7,156 –	17,889 –	17,889 -	- - 8,944	40,871 - -	33.54 - -	299,993 599,997 299,982
Timothy Wright	12/26/12(4) 12/26/12(5) 12/26/12(6)	12/10/12 12/10/12 12/10/12	=	- - -	- - -	8,944 –	22,361 -	22,361 –	- - 11,180	51,089 - -	33.54 - -	374,993 749,988 374,977

- (1) Pursuant to Mr. Plumeri's employment agreement, it was originally intended that Mr. Plumeri would receive his 2012 annual incentive compensation 50% in cash and 50% in RSUs, as in prior years. The amounts above represent the target, threshold and maximum cash amounts Mr. Plumeri may receive under his employment agreement. In March 2012, Mr. Plumeri and the Compensation Committee agreed to reduce his target payout to 250% of his base salary if 100% of his performance targets were achieved. As a result of Mr. Plumeri's resignation as CEO in January 2013, the Compensation Committee determined to pay the 2012 annual incentive compensation 100% in cash. The actual cash amount paid to Mr. Plumeri for his 2012 annual incentive compensation is included in the Non-Equity Incentive Plan Column of the "Summary Compensation" table.
- (2) As part of Mr. Plumeri's 2011 annual incentive compensation, time-based RSUs were granted on March 1, 2012 and will vest and settle on July 7, 2013. Dividend equivalents will be paid when the RSUs vest equal to the dividend rate applicable to all record holders on record dates falling between the time of grant and the time of vest.
- (3) Under Mr. Plumeri's employment agreement, performance-based RSUs were granted on May 7, 2012, 50% of which were earned if an Adjusted EPS target for 2012 was met and 50% of the award was earned if an Adjusted Operating Margin target for 2012 was met. If the targets were not achieved at 100%, the amount of the award would be reduced on a sliding scale basis. The target and maximum amounts above reflect both

the Adjusted EPS and Adjusted Operating Margins hitting at 100%. The threshold amounts reflect the minimum amount that would be earned if performance conditions were met for only one of the two applicable metrics (*i.e.*, if 90% of either the Adjusted Operating Margin or Adjusted EPS target were met, then 80% of the performance-based RSUs as to the applicable Adjusted Operating Margin or Adjusted EPS target will become earned).

Based on the applicable performance metrics described in Section 3.2 of the "Compensation Discussion and Analysis — Named Executive Officers' Annual Compensation — Long-Term Incentive Compensation," 145,374 of the performance-based RSUs were earned. These earned RSUs will vest and settle on July 7, 2013.

- (4) Time-based options were granted on December 26, 2012 under the 2012 LTI Program. The options will vest 50% on each of the second and third anniversaries of the grant date.
- (5) Performance-based RSUs were granted on December 26, 2012 under the 2012 LTI Program, 50% of which were earned if an Adjusted EPS target for 2012 was met and 50% of the award was earned if an Adjusted Operating Margin target for 2012 was met. If the targets were not achieved at 100%, the amount of the award would be reduced on a sliding scale basis. The target and maximum amounts above reflect both the Adjusted EPS and Adjusted Operating Margins hitting at 100%. The threshold amounts reflect the minimum amount that would be earned if performance conditions were met for only one of the two applicable metrics (*i.e.*, if 90% of either the Adjusted Operating Margin or Adjusted EPS target were met, then 80% of the performance-based RSUs as to the applicable Adjusted Operating Margin or Adjusted EPS target will become earned).

Based on the applicable performance metrics described in Section 3.2 of the "Compensation Discussion and Analysis — Named Executive Officers' Annual Compensation — Long-Term Incentive Compensation," the following performance-based RSUs were earned: Mr. Neborak (13,119), Mr. Hearn (28,860), Mr. Krauze (15,743) and Mr. Wright (19,677). Earned RSUs will vest 50% on each of the second and third anniversaries of the grant date.

- (6) Time-based RSUs were granted on December 26, 2012 under the 2012 LTI Program. The RSUs will vest 50% on each of the second and third anniversaries of the grant date.
- (7) Time-based RSUs were granted on March 1, 2012. The RSUs vested 33% on the first anniversary of the grant date and will vest 33% and 34% on the second and third anniversaries of the grant date, respectively.

Outstanding Equity Awards at Fiscal Year End

The following table sets forth the options and share-based awards held by the named executive officers as of December 31, 2012.

<u>Name</u>	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#) Exercisable	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#) Unexercisable	Equity Incentive Plan Awards: Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Unearned Options (#)	Option Exercise Price	Option Expiration Date	Number of Shares or Units of Stock That Have Not Vested (#)	Market Value of Shares or Units of Stock That Have Not Vested (\$)(1)	Equity Incentive Plan Awards: Number of Unearned Shares, Units or Other Rights That Have Not Vested(#)	Equity Incentive Plan Awards: Market or Payout Value of Unearned Shares, Units or Other Rights That Have Not Vested (#)(1)
Joseph Plumeri	100.000(2)	_	_	38.06	3/19/2014	_	_	_	_
эозери гишен	500,000(3)	_	_	32.78	6/20/2014	_	_	_	_
	650,000(4)	_	_	37.06	5/6/2015	_	_	_	_
	-	_	_	_	_	25,783(5)	864,504	_	_
						57,388(6)	1,924,220	_	_
	-	_	_	_	_	66,200(7)	2,219,686	_	_
	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	165,198(8)	5,539,089
Michael Neborak	_	16,234(9)	_	41.51	5/2/2019	_	_	_	-
	-	34,059(10)	_	33.54	12/26/2020	_	_	_	_
	-	-	-	-	_	2,719 (11)	91,168	_	_
	_	_	_	_	_	2,719 (12)	91,168	_	_
	-	_	_	_	_	7,453(13)	249,899	_	_
	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	14,907(14)	499,832
Stephen Hearn	6,249	2,083(15)	_	25.79	11/3/15	_	-	_	_
	-	16,234(9)	_	41.51	5/2/2019	_	_	-	_
	-	74,931(10)	-	33.54	12/26/2020	-	-	_	-
	_	_	_	_	_	3,400(16)	114,002	_	_
	_	_	_	_	_	6,500(17)	217,945	_	-
	_	_	_	_	_	16,398(13)	549,825	22.700(14)	1 000 050
V t V	- - - -	-	-	20.75	7/1/2012	_	-	32,796(14)	1,099,650
Victor Krauze	5,000(18)	_	_	30.75	7/1/2013	_	_	_	_
	25,000(19) 26(20)		-	38.06	3/19/2014	_	_	_	_
	50,000(21)		_	36.60 32.78	9/22/2014 6/20/2014		_	_	_
	50,000(21)	_	_	32.76	11/5/2015	_	_	_	_
	12,499	4,167(23)		37.06	5/6/2015	_	_	_	_
	20,000	20,000(24)	_	26.17	5/5/2017	_	_	_	_
	12,500	37,500(25)	_	31.02	10/1/2018	_			_
	12,500	21,645(9)	_	41.51	5/2/2019	_	_	_	_
	_	40.871(10)	_	33.54	12/26/2020	_	_	_	_
	_	-10,071()	_	-	-	16,750(26)	561,628	_	_
	_	_	_	_	_	8,944(13)	299,892	_	_
	_	_	_	_	_	-	_	17,889(14)	599,818
Timothy Wright	200,000(27)	_	_	34.42	9/1/2016	_	_	_	-
	20,832	6,943(28)	_	34.42	9/1/2015	_	-	_	_
	50,000	50,000(24)	-	26.17	5/5/2017	-	-	_	-
		21,645(9)	-	41.51	5/2/2019	_	-	_	_
	-	51,089(10)	-	33.54	12/26/2020	_	-	_	-
	_	_	_	_	_	11,180(13)	374,865	_	_
	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	22,361(14)	749,764

⁽¹⁾ The market value of shares or units that have not vested has been calculated using the closing price of the Company's shares on December 31, 2012, as quoted on the NYSE (\$33.53), the last business day of the year.

⁽²⁾ Time-based options were granted on March 19, 2004 and are fully exercisable.

⁽³⁾ Time-based options were granted on June 20, 2006 and are fully exercisable.

- (4) Performance-based options were granted on May 6, 2008 and are fully exercisable.
- (5) Time-based RSUs were granted on March 1, 2012 and will vest and settle on July 7, 2013.
- (6) Performance-based RSUs were granted on May 3, 2010. The RSUs vest 33 1/3% on the first, second and third anniversaries of the grant date and will settle on July 7, 2013.
- (7) Performance-based RSUs were granted on May 5, 2011. The RSUs vest 50% on each of the first and second anniversaries of the grant date and will settle on July 7, 2013.
- (8) Performance-based RSUs were granted on May 7, 2012, 50% of which are earned if an Adjusted EPS target for 2012 is met and 50% of which are earned if an Adjusted Operating Margin target for 2012 is met. If the targets are not achieved at 100%, the amount of the award is reduced on a sliding scale basis. Earned RSUs will vest and settle on July 7, 2013. Based on the applicable performance metrics described in Section 3.2 of the "Compensation Discussion and Analysis Named Executive Officers' Annual Compensation Long-Term Incentive Compensation," 145,374 of the performance-based RSUs were earned.
- (9) Performance-based options were granted on May 2, 2011. The options will vest 50% on each of the third and fourth anniversaries of the grant date.
- (10) Time-based options were granted on December 26, 2012. The options will vest 50% on each of the second and third anniversaries of the grant date.
- (11) Time-based RSUs were granted on August 2, 2010. The RSUs vested 33% on the first and second anniversaries of the grant date and will vest 34% on the third anniversary of the grant date.
- (12) Performance-based RSUs were granted on August 2, 2010. The RSUs vested 33% on each of the first and second anniversaries of the grant date and will vest 34% on the third anniversary of the grant date.
- (13) Time-based RSUs were granted on December 26, 2012. The RSUs will vest 50% on each of the second and third anniversaries of the grant date.
- (14) Performance-based RSUs were granted on December 26, 2012, 50% of which are earned if an Adjusted EPS target for 2012 is met and 50% of which are earned if an Adjusted Operating Margin target for 2012 is met. If the targets are not achieved at 100%, the amount of the award is reduced on a sliding scale basis. Earned RSUs will vest 50% on each of the second and third anniversaries of the grant date. Based on the applicable performance metrics described in Section 3.2 of the "Compensation Discussion and Analysis Named Executive Officers' Annual Compensation Long-Term Incentive Compensation," the following performance-based RSUs were earned: Mr. Neborak (13,119), Mr. Hearn (28,860), Mr. Krauze (15,743) and Mr. Wright (19,677).
- (15) Performance-based options were granted on November 3, 2008. The options became exercisable 50% and 25% on the third and fourth anniversaries of the grant date, respectively, and will become exercisable 25% on the fifth anniversary of the grant date,.

- (16) Performance-based RSUs were granted on July 1, 2010. The RSUs vested 33% on the first and second anniversaries of the grant date and will vest 34% on the third anniversary of the grant date.
- (17) Time-based RSUs were granted on March 1, 2012. The RSUs vest 33%, 33% and 34% on the first, second and third anniversaries of the grant date, respectively.
- (18) Time-based options were granted on July 1, 2003 and are fully exercisable.
- (19) Time-based options were granted on March 19, 2004 and are fully exercisable.
- (20) Time-based options were granted on September 22, 2004 and are fully exercisable.
- (21) Time-based options were granted on June 20, 2006 and are fully exercisable.
- (22) Time-based options were granted on November 5, 2007 and are fully exercisable.
- (23) Performance-based options were granted on May 6, 2008. The options became exercisable 50%, 25% and 25% on the third, fourth and fifth anniversaries of the grant date, respectively.
- (24) Performance-based options were granted on May 5, 2009. The options become exercisable 25% on each of the second, third, fourth and fifth anniversaries of the grant date.
- (25) Performance-based options were granted on October 1, 2010. The options became exercisable 25% on the second anniversary of the grant date and will become exercisable 25% on each of the third, fourth and fifth anniversaries of the grant date.
- (26) Time-based RSUs were granted on May 2, 2011. The RSUs vest 33%, 33% and 34% on the first, second and third anniversaries of the grant date, respectively.
- (27) Time-based options were granted on September 1, 2008 and are fully exercisable.
- (28) Performance-based options were granted on September 1, 2008. The options became exercisable 50% and 25% on the third and fourth anniversaries of the grant date, respectively, and will become exercisable 25% on the fifth anniversary of the grant date.

Option Exercises and Shares Vested

The following table sets forth the share options exercised and the RSU vestings during 2012 by the named executive officers.

	Option A	wards	Share-Based Awards		
	Number of Shares Acquired on Exercise	Value Realized on Exercise	Number of Shares Acquired On Vesting	Value Realized On Vesting	
Name	(#)	(\$)	(#)	(\$)(1)	
Joseph Plumeri			191,591(2)	6,968,136	
Michael Neborak	_	_	5,276	181,442	
Stephen Hearn	_	_	3,300	120,417	
Timothy Wright	_	_	13,600	493,408	
Victor Krauze	_	_	12,500	454,573	

- (1) The value realized in respect of vested RSUs is calculated using the closing price, as quoted on the NYSE, on the date of such RSUs vesting. If a vesting occurred on non-business day, the closing price on the previous business day was used.
- (2) Pursuant to the terms of an existing agreement, the settlement of 66,201 RSUs that vested on May 2, 2012, 57,390 RSUs that vested on May 3, 2012 and 68,000 RSUs that vested on May 5, 2012 has been deferred until Mr. Plumeri incurs a separation from service as defined in Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code.

Pension Benefits

Willis North America Inc. Pension Plan — The Company maintains a US retirement program, the Willis North America Inc. Pension Plan, a qualified defined benefits plan. This plan provides members with a pension on normal retirement age of 60 or 65 based on the length of service, pensionable remuneration and when they first joined the plan. Participants are 100% vested in the plan after completing five years of service. Employees also become 100% vested if they are participants in the plan and are employed by Company after reaching age 60. The plan was closed to new hires on January 1, 2007 and was frozen on May 15, 2009.

If participants are vested and married, their surviving spouses may be entitled to survivor benefits from the plan, if the participants die before starting retirement benefits. The default death benefit is the survivor portion of a 50% Joint & Survivor annuity commencing at an early or normal retirement date. If participants are active with 10 or more years of service, the death benefit is 50% of the accrued benefit and commences immediately. If participants are age 55 with 10 or more years of service, they may elect an enhanced survivor benefit.

As of December 31, 2012, Mr. Plumeri had approximately 12 years of vesting service. The accrued annual benefit for Mr. Plumeri, payable as a normal-form annuity beginning on January 1, 2013, is \$56,184 (Mr. Plumeri is over 65). At this retirement age, the years of vesting service and annual maximum average salary for Mr. Plumeri are approximately 11 years and \$202,000, respectively.

As of December 31, 2012, Mr. Krauze had approximately 16 years of vesting service. The accrued annual benefit for Mr. Krauze, payable as a normal-form annuity beginning at age 65 is \$62,043. At a retirement age of 65, the years of vesting service and annual maximum average salary for Mr. Krauze are approximately 28 years and \$201,001, respectively. Mr. Krauze can retire early with an unreduced accrued benefit as of February 1, 2022, assuming he remains employed to that date.

Also, Willis North America, Inc. has a 401(k) Plan covering its eligible employees and those of its subsidiaries. Shares are available as an investment option to participants in the Willis 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan. In order to provide the opportunity to accumulate retirement income and improve retention, the Company has reinstated a matching contribution (which was suspended in recent years) to the 401(k) Plan effective as of January 1, 2011. The matching contribution was made on December 31, 2012 for eligible employees who were still employed by the Company on that date.

Willis Pension Scheme (UK) — The Company also maintains a U.K. retirement program consisting of the Willis Pension Scheme, an approved defined benefits plan. The Willis Pension Scheme (UK) was closed to new members beginning on January 1, 2006. In 2006, it was replaced by a defined contribution plan for new employees. The Willis Pension Scheme (UK) provides members with a pension of up to two thirds of pensionable remuneration on normal retirement age. Normal retirement age is 65 for all benefits accruing after July 1, 2011. Some rights earned before July 1, 2011 can be drawn at the age of 60 on a reduced basis. Members accrue pension at a rate of 1/50th or 1/60th of pensionable remuneration, depending on grade and when they first joined the Willis Pension Scheme (UK), in each case subject to a maximum of two-thirds of pensionable remuneration on retirement. Other members may have different accrual rates due to individual circumstances, such as continuation of existing benefits on joining. Members contribute 10% of their pensionable remuneration.

Pensionable remuneration is based on full basic salary less an offset in respect of the U.K. State Pension, currently £5,587, in the case of most members. In addition, pensionable remuneration for members who joined the Scheme after June 1, 1989, is subject to a cap, currently £137,400. On death, pensions based on one half of the members' pensions are payable to a surviving spouse.

Mr. Hearn and Mr. Wright do not participate in the Willis Pension Scheme because they joined the Company after 2006. Mr. Hearn participates in the Willis UK defined contribution plan and the Willis Stakeholder Pension Scheme, which is a series of individual investment policies established in the names of members and administered by a third party to which the Company contributes. The contributions made by the Company to the Willis Stakeholder Pension Scheme in respect of Mr. Hearn are made at the rate of 12% of basic salary in line with a contractual arrangement transferred from an acquired employer and exceed the standard rates payable to most other associates. Mr. Wright established a personal pension arrangement similar to the Willis UK defined contribution plan to which the Company contributes. The Company has no ongoing role in the governance or management of Mr. Wright's plan and no residual liabilities in respect of it.

Rest of World — Elsewhere, pension benefits for our employees are typically provided in the country of operation through defined contribution plans.

The following table sets forth the retirement benefits that may be received by the named executive officers that participate in a defined benefit pension scheme:

				Payments
		Number of	Present	During
		Years	Value of	Last
		Credited	Accumulated	Fiscal
		Service	Benefit	Year
Name	Plan Name	(#)	(\$'000)	(\$)
J. Plumeri	Willis North America Inc. Pension Plan	12	634	
V. Krauze	Willis North America Inc. Pension Plan	16	597	_

Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation

The following table sets forth the non-qualified deferred compensation to be received by Mr. Plumeri (the Company's 2012 CEO) and Mr. Krauze. None of the other named executive officers receives deferred compensation.

Name	Executive Contributions in Last Fiscal Year (\$)	Registrant Contributions in Last Fiscal Year (\$)	Aggregate Earnings in Last Fiscal Year (\$)	Aggregate Withdrawals/ Distributions (\$)	Aggregate Balance at Last Fiscal Year End (\$)
J. Plumeri	800,000(1)		(25,741)(2)		8,290,384
V. Krauze	_	_	175,040	_	1,270,796

⁽¹⁾ Effective from October 15, 2003, Mr. Plumeri has received an annual deferred compensation credit of \$800,000, which is made to a non-qualified deferred compensation plan on his behalf. Actual payments into the plan are made after deducting Social Security and Medicare Taxes from the \$800,000 annual credit.

⁽²⁾ Aggregate earnings are included in Mr. Plumeri's Change in Pension Value in the "Summary Compensation" table. For 2012, investment earnings of \$801 were offset by Social Security and Medicare taxes totaling \$26,542.

Joseph Plumeri's Employment Agreement (2012 CEO)

During 2009, the Compensation Committee and the Board of Directors determined that it would be in the best interests of the Company to ensure Mr. Plumeri's continued services as the Company's Chairman and CEO until July of 2013. In addition, Mr. Plumeri, the Compensation Committee and the Board of Directors agreed that Mr. Plumeri's prior employment agreement should be updated to reflect the evolution of best pay practices over the last several years. At the time, two members of the Compensation Committee, Sir Roy Gardner and Mr. McCann, participated in all discussions with Mr. Plumeri regarding his employment agreement and were advised during the negotiations by the Compensation Committee's consultant.

On January 6, 2013 Mr. Plumeri resigned as the Group CEO but will continue to serve as non-executive chairman and as an employee of Willis North America, Inc., a subsidiary of the Company. Until his retirement as non-executive chairman and an employee of Willis North America, Inc. on July 7, 2013, all of the terms of Mr. Plumeri's existing employment agreement dated as of January 1, 2010, will remain in effect, except as amended on October 16, 2012 to reflect his duties, responsibilities and reduced time commitment to the Company as non-executive chairman beginning on January 7, 2013. The rationale for the new arrangements with Mr. Plumeri was to facilitate a seamless transition with the Company's new CEO, particularly in light of Mr. Plumeri's long tenure, deep industry knowledge and relationships. The amendment to Mr. Plumeri's employment agreement also satisfied the requirements for his retirement or earlier resignation to constitute a "mutual retirement" for purposes of Mr. Plumeri's unvested RSU awards and, as a result, upon Mr. Plumeri's retirement or his earlier resignation the service requirements for Mr. Plumeri's RSU awards will be waived.

Under his employment agreement, Mr. Plumeri's annual base salary of \$1,000,000 until his retirement date on July 7, 2013, which has not increased since he joined Willis in October 2000, will be maintained. Similarly, Mr. Plumeri will be eligible to receive a pro-rata annual incentive compensation award for 2013, subject to the achievement of performance targets to be determined by the Compensation Committee. Unlike previous awards, which were generally paid 50% in cash and 50% in RSUs, Mr. Plumeri's 2012 award and the pro-rata award for 2013 will be paid 100% in cash. Mr. Plumeri's employment agreement provides that the threshold, target and maximum annual incentive payout percentages for 2012 and 2013 are 250%, 375% and 500% of base salary. Mr. Plumeri will also continue to receive a pro rata portion of the same annual deferred compensation credit of \$800,000, the last installment of which was contributed on April 15, 2013, subject to his continued employment.

In consideration for Mr. Plumeri complying with best pay practices when he amended his agreement in January 2010, at the time the Compensation Committee and Board provided that he would receive a grant of RSUs in 2010 that would vest only upon the achievement of performance and time-based criteria to be determined by the Compensation Committee. The agreement provided that the RSUs would have a grant date value of \$6,000,000 and would vest in equal parts over a three-year period. At the time of the execution of the 2010 employment agreement, it was the expectation and intent of the Compensation Committee to award Mr. Plumeri grants of comparable value and containing comparable terms in 2011 and 2012, subject to the Compensation Committee's good faith evaluation of changes in circumstances of the Company, the performance of the Company and the performance of Mr. Plumeri that justifies as an alternative vehicle or amount of grant. Accordingly, a similar \$6,000,000 grant of performance-based RSUs was made in 2011 and 2012. Mr. Plumeri will not be entitled to receive a Long-Term Incentive award during 2013.

The employment agreement also contains non-competition, non-solicitation and confidentiality covenants.

Further information regarding the change of control and severance provisions in Mr. Plumeri's employment agreement are contained in the section entitled "Compensation Tables—Potential Payments to Mr. Plumeri Upon Termination or Change of Control."

Dominic Casserley's Employment Agreement (Current CEO)

In negotiating the agreement with Mr. Casserley, the Company considered, among other things, the Company's peer group compensation, current market practice regarding CEO pay, ISS and shareholder concerns, pay-for-performance concerns, the Committee's policy to limit the grants of guaranteed compensation, internal executive compensation practices and the opportunity to split the roles of Chairman of the Board and CEO. These considerations were balanced with the fact that the Company needed to provide competitive pay to attract a high caliber candidate.

On October 16, 2012, Mr. Casserley executed an employment agreement with a subsidiary of the Company. The employment agreement has an initial term ending on December 31, 2015 and will automatically renew for up to two additional one-year renewal terms, unless either party provides notice of nonrenewal at least 90 days prior to the end of the initial term or first renewal term, as applicable. Upon a "change of control" (as such term is defined in his employment agreement) the term will automatically extend until and expire upon the second anniversary of the "change of control" or, if later, December 31, 2015. Mr. Casserley's agreement provides for him to be paid, beginning as of his commencement of employment with the Company on January 7, 2013: (i) an annual base salary of \$1,000,000, (ii) an annual incentive award with a target value of 225% of his base salary (i.e., \$2,250,000), a maximum value of 400% of his base salary (i.e., \$4,000,000), and a lesser value for below target performance as may be established by the Board or the Compensation Committee, such annual incentive compensation awards described in further detail below, (iii) an annual equity-based long-term incentive award of 525% of base salary (i.e., \$5,250,000) at target, and upon such other terms and conditions as may be established by the Board or the Compensation Committee for officers generally, (iv) reimbursement of his and his family's relocation costs to the New York metropolitan area from London, England and, following his termination of employment with the Company other than for "cause" (as such term is defined in his employment agreement), his and his family's return to the London metropolitan area, (v) employee benefits as are provided generally to other similarly-situated senior management employees of the Company, the use of a car and driver at his principal office location and the use of private aircraft owned or leased by the Company for business travel in accordance with the Company's policy, and (vi) an employment commencement transition award of \$1,500,000 to be paid after the completion of one year of service (i.e., January 7, 2014), 50% of which is subject to repayment if Mr. Casserlev resigns without "good reason" (as such term is defined in his employment agreement) prior to the completion of two years of service.

With respect to Mr. Casserley's annual incentive award, if Mr. Casserley is entitled to an annual incentive award exceeding \$1,000,000 in respect of the Company's 2013 fiscal year, then the first \$1,000,000 will be paid in cash and any amounts exceeding \$1,000,000 up to \$2,500,000 will be paid in the form of equity-based awards, with one-third being immediately vested by reason of his completion of one year of service and the remainder subject to vesting on the second and third anniversaries of Mr. Casserley's employment commencement date if Mr. Casserley is employed by the Company on each of the anniversary dates. One-half of such equity-based awards will be in the form of options to purchase ordinary shares of the Company, and one-half of such equity-based awards will be in the form of RSUs.

In the event that Mr. Casserley's employment is terminated by the Company without "cause," Mr. Casserley resigns for "good reason" or Mr. Casserley is terminated as a result of the non-renewal of his employment agreement by the Company within the first four years of employment (a "Qualifying Termination"), Mr. Casserley would be entitled to the following benefits: (i) an amount

equal to two times the sum of his annual base salary and target annual incentive award, payable in installments over 24 months (the "Severance Payment"), (ii) a pro-rata portion of his annual incentive award for the year in which the termination of employment occurs, based on actual performance, payable at the same time that annual incentive compensation awards are payable generally, (iii) payment of the employment commencement transition award described above, to the extent unpaid, (iv) continued medical coverage at the active employee rate for Mr. Casserley, his spouse and then covered dependents for up to 18 months, (v) two years of service-vesting credit (but not performance-vesting credit) for one half of the annual equity-based long-term incentive awards granted to him during the first three years of service, (vi) one year of service-vesting credit (but not performance-vesting credit) for the remainder of the annual equity-based long-term incentive awards granted to him, (vii) each vested stock option held by Mr. Casserley will remain exercisable for three years following the termination date or, if earlier, the normal expiration date of the stock option, and (viii) accrued benefits including any annual incentive compensation awards earned but unpaid for any completed fiscal year. For purposes of determining the service-vesting credit described above each annual equity-based long-term incentive award will be deemed to have been granted not later than April 30th of the year of grant and vest at a rate not greater less than 1/3rd per year on each of the first three anniversaries of the date of grant.

In the event of a Qualifying Termination within two years following a "change of control," Mr. Casserley would be entitled to the severance benefits described above except that the Severance Payment would be paid in a lump sum and Mr. Casserley would receive full service-vesting credit (but not performance-vesting credit) for each of the annual equity-based long-term incentive awards granted to him.

Lastly, upon termination of employment (other than for "cause") concurrent with or following the expiration of the full five year term of his employment agreement, Mr. Casserley would be entitled to the following benefits: (i) two years of service-vesting credit (but not performance-vesting credit) for each of the annual equity-based long-term incentive awards granted to him, (ii) each vested stock option held by Mr. Casserley will remain exercisable for three years following the termination date or, if earlier, the normal expiration date of the stock option and (iii) such termination will be treated as retirement for purposes of compensation previously paid or payable to him. As described above, for purposes of determining the service-vesting credit described above each annual equity-based long-term incentive award will be deemed to have been granted no later than April 30th of the year of grant and vest at a rate not greater less than 1/3rd per year on each of the first three anniversaries of the date of grant.

The agreement also contains non-competition, non-solicitation and confidentiality covenants.

Other Named Executive Officers' Employment Agreements

Each of the other named executive officers' have an employment agreement with a subsidiary of the Company. The material economic terms of such agreements are described below. Each of the agreements also contains non-competition, non-solicitation and confidentiality covenants.

Further information regarding the change of control and severance provisions in Messrs. Neborak, Hearn, Wright and Krauze's employment and restrictive covenant agreements are contained in the section entitled "Compensation Tables—Potential Payments to Named Executive Officers other than the CEO Upon Termination or Change of Control."

Michael Neborak

Mr. Neborak's employment agreement effective as of July 6, 2010 provides for an annual base salary of \$500,000, which the Committee increased to \$600,000 based on the results of a market review, and an annual incentive award with a target value equal to 100% of his base salary. The employment agreement does not have a fixed term. In the event Mr. Neborak is terminated without "cause," he will receive severance pay equal to 12 months of base salary. The Company has also entered into a separate restrictive covenant agreement with Mr. Neborak effective as of August 2, 2010, which provides, in part, that we may require that Mr. Neborak refrain from undertaking any activity deemed to be in competition with the Company for a period of up to 12 months following termination of employment, in exchange for monthly payments equivalent to his base salary and the provision of continued medical coverage during such period.

Stephen Hearn

Under Mr. Hearn's employment agreement that remained in effect until December 31, 2012, he was entitled to (i) an annual base salary of £500,000 (or \$792,500) and (ii) an annual incentive compensation award with a target value of 175% of his base salary, provided that his annual incentive compensation award in respect of the Company's 2012 fiscal year to be no less than 150% of his base salary. Pursuant to this agreement, in 2012, Mr. Hearn also received 6,500 time-based RSUs as a result of his promotion to Chairman and CEO of Willis Global in early 2012. Pursuant to this agreement, if Mr. Hearn was terminated by the Company for any reason other than for Cause (as defined in such employment agreement), he was entitled to receive an amount equal to his contractual notice pay due to him (*i.e.*, 12 months base salary) and an amount equal to his target annual incentive compensation award at the time of his termination.

At the same time the Board appointed Mr. Casserley as the Company's new CEO, it promoted Mr. Hearn to the new role of Deputy CEO. Mr. Hearn has been employed by the Company for almost four years and in January 2012 was promoted to Chairman and CEO of Willis Global, encompassing the Company's global reinsurance, placement and specialty, operations. The Board believes the combination of Mr. Casserley's external perspective and broad global experience and Mr. Hearn's internal perspective and deep industry experience is a powerful partnership to drive the Company's strategic direction.

In connection with his promotion to Deputy CEO, on October 16, 2012, Mr. Hearn entered into an amended employment agreement which, when it became effective on January 1, 2013, provides (i) an annual base salary of £530,000 (or \$840,050), (ii) an annual incentive award with a target value of 200% of his base salary (subject to his prior employment agreement that provided for his annual incentive award in respect of the Company's 2012 fiscal year to be no less than 150% of his base salary), and (iii) an annual long-term incentive award of 260% of his base salary at target. The employment agreement does not have a fixed term. Pursuant to Mr. Hearn's amended employment agreement, if Mr. Hearn's employment is terminated by the Company without Cause or by the executive for Good Reason, he would be entitled to: (i) an amount equal to 150% of the sum of his annual base salary and target annual incentive award, which amount will be offset against any pay provided during the 12-month notice period set forth in the employment agreement or any pay in lieu of notice and will be payable in a lump sum, (ii) a pro-rata portion of his annual incentive award for the year in which the termination of employment occurs, based on actual performance, payable at the same time that annual incentive compensation awards are payable generally, (iii) any annual incentive

compensation awards earned but unpaid for any prior fiscal year, and (iv) continuation of group medical coverage at the same rate that is applicable to active senior executive officers.

Timothy Wright

Mr. Wright's employment agreement, dated as of December 17, 2007 and as amended July 19, 2012, provides that Mr. Wright, who originally joined the Company as the Group Chief Operating Officer and currently serves as the CEO of Willis International, is entitled to an annual base salary of £405,000 (or \$641,925) and an annual incentive award with a target value equal to 175% of his base salary. As a result of an increase of responsibilities related to his promotion to CEO of Willis International, Mr. Wright received an increase in his annual base salary to £500,000 (or \$792,500). The employment agreement does not have a fixed term. In the event Mr. Wright's employment is terminated without "Cause" (as defined in his employment agreement), he will receive severance pay equal to the sum of his annual base salary and target annual incentive compensation award at the time he is served with notice of termination.

Victor Krauze

Mr. Krauze's employment agreement, effective as of December 3, 2010, and promotion letter, dated as of April 8, 2011, provide for a base salary of \$625,000 which the Committee increased to \$700,000 in response to market conditions. The Company may terminate his employment agreement at any time by providing him 30 days' prior written notice. In the event he is terminated without "good cause" (as defined in the promotion letter), he will receive severance pay equal to 12 months of base salary, an amount equal to 12 months of COBRA medical coverage premiums and, on or before March 15, 2013, any AIP award for the 2012 performance period. Further, the agreements provide that if we desire Mr. Krauze to refrain from undertaking any activity deemed to be in competition with the Company for a period of up to 12 months following termination of employment, the Company will make monthly payments equivalent to his base salary. Such payments may be reduced by the amount of any other post-employment payments paid to Mr. Krauze, including any severance payments paid to him in connection with a termination without Good Cause.

In order to retain the services of Mr. Krauze during the transition from Mr. Plumeri to Mr. Casserley as the Company's CEO, on October 16, 2012, a Company subsidiary entered into an amendment to Mr. Krauze's April 8, 2011 promotion letter. Pursuant to the amendment, Mr. Krauze is eligible for enhanced severance payments and benefits if before December 31, 2013, he is involuntarily terminated by the Company other than for "good cause" or he resigns for "good reason." The employment agreement does not have a fixed term.

Potential Payments to Mr. Plumeri Upon Termination or Change of Control

The following table shows the estimated payments and benefits that our CEO would have received if his employment had terminated or a Change of Control (defined below) occurred on December 31, 2012.

	Severance	Deferred Compensation	Accrued Amounts	Total Payments on Termination	Intrinsic Value of Unvested Share- Based Awards
Joseph J. Plumeri	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)(4)	(\$)	(\$)(5)
Termination by the Company					
without Cause, by the officer with Good Reason(1)	4,000,000	8,705,727	1,031,762	13,737,489	10,545,990
Termination on Change of					
Control(2)(7)	9,500,000	8,705,727	1,031,762	19,237,489	10,545,990
Termination for Other					
Reasons(3)(7)	_	8,705,727	1,031,762	9,737,489	10,545,990
Change of Control(6) (7)	_	_	_	_	10,545,990

(1) Mr. Plumeri's employment agreement provided that if he was terminated by the Company without Cause or by himself for Good Reason he would be entitled to a lump sum payment equal to \$4,000,000 in addition to any accrued benefits. The accrued benefits included: unpaid salary and vacation pay; any bonus due as a result of actual performance but not yet paid for any completed financial year; a pro rata bonus for the year in which the termination occurs based on the performance achieved in that year; amounts due under medical, life insurance, disability and pension plans; and reimbursable business expenses.

He would also have credited to his deferred compensation benefit account the amounts he would have received had he remained until the end of the term of his employment agreement (July 7, 2013). On departure, the full amount accrued under the deferred compensation plan would become payable.

Further, the RSUs granted to Mr. Plumeri on May 3, 2010, May 2, 2011 and March 1, 2012 would vest in full and the service requirements for the RSUs granted to Mr. Plumeri on May 7, 2012 would be waived.

The table above shows the amount Mr. Plumeri would have received had termination taken place on December 31, 2012, and assuming the Board has exercised its discretion to waive the performance requirements applicable to the RSUs granted to Mr. Plumeri on May 7, 2012.

(2) Mr. Plumeri's employment agreement provided that in the event the Company was subject to a Change of Control and Mr. Plumeri's employment was terminated by the Company (or a successor company) without Cause or by himself for Good Reason within six months prior to or within 24 months following such Change of Control, Mr. Plumeri would receive a payment equal

to two times the sum of his base salary and target annual bonus during the year in which the termination of employment occurs. Mr. Plumeri would have also continued to be entitled to receive the accrued benefits described in (1) above and he would have credited to his deferred compensation benefit account the amounts he would have received had he remained until the end of the term of his employment agreement (July 7, 2013). On departure, the full amount accrued under the deferred compensation plan would become payable.

Further, in the event the Company was subject to a Change of Control and Mr. Plumeri's employment was terminated by the Company without Cause or by him for Good Reason, the RSUs granted to Mr. Plumeri on May 3, 2010, May 2, 2011, March 1, 2012 and May 7, 2012 would vest in full.

The table above shows the amount Mr. Plumeri would have received had termination taken place on December 31, 2012 by reason of Change of Control, including the value of Mr. Plumeri's unvested RSUs.

(3) Where the employment was terminated by the Company for any reason other than as described in (1) and (2) above, including Disability, mutual retirement and retirement, Mr. Plumeri would be entitled to receive the accrued benefits as described in (1) above including the right to receive the full amount accrued under the deferred compensation plan, provided that in the event of a termination for Cause the executive would not be entitled to a pro-rata bonus. Pursuant to Mr. Plumeri's amended employment agreement, if he terminated his employment without Good Reason following a Change of Control, he would have credited to his deferred compensation benefit account the amounts he would have received had he remained until the end of the term of his employment agreement (July 7, 2013). On departure the full amount accrued under the deferred compensation plan would become payable.

In the event Mr. Plumeri's termination was due to death, Disability or mutual retirement, the RSUs granted to Mr. Plumeri on May 3, 2010, May 2, 2011 and March 1, 2012 would vest in full and the service requirements for the RSUs granted to Mr. Plumeri on May 7, 2012 would be waived.

The table above shows the amount Mr. Plumeri would have received had termination taken place on December 31, 2012 for any reason other than described in (1) and (2) above, except for Cause, and assuming the Board exercised its discretion to waive the performance requirements applicable to the RSUs granted to Mr. Plumeri on May 7, 2012.

- (4) It has been assumed for this calculation that the Board, through the Compensation Committee, would have determined that Mr. Plumeri be paid a cash award in an amount equal to his full 2012 annual incentive award. The above amount reflects the actual cash amount paid to Mr. Plumeri for his 2012 annual incentive compensation as reflected in the Non-Equity Incentive Plan Column of the "Summary Compensation" table.
- (5) In addition to the above, it had been agreed that Mr. Plumeri would still retain the benefit of the Company's directors and officers insurance relating to his services for the period up to and including his date of departure where termination of employment was without Cause or for Good Reason or Change of Control. Also, under the U.S. Pension Plan, in the event of termination of employment for any of the above reasons, Mr. Plumeri would receive the same benefit as other plan participants terminated for similar reasons. For more information please see "Executive Compensation Compensation Discussion and Analysis Pension Benefits."

- (6) The occurrence of a Change of Control would not trigger any cash payments to Mr. Plumeri, however, the performance requirements applicable to Mr. Plumeri's RSUs, to the extent not already achieved, would be waived. In addition, upon a Change of Control, the Board would have had discretion to waive the service requirements applicable to Mr. Plumeri's RSU awards. For the purpose of this section, it has been assumed that such discretion had been exercised.
- (7) The terms "Cause," "Good Reason," "Disability," "mutual retirement," and "retirement" are used as defined in Mr. Plumeri's employment agreement. The term "Cause" includes, among other things, conviction of a felony, willful and continuous disregard for, or serious or persistent breach of material duties and responsibilities, gross negligence or any other form of gross misconduct. The term "Good Reason" includes, among other things, any material diminution of duties, responsibilities or authority, or the assignment to Mr. Plumeri of any duties materially inconsistent with his position or any material breach of his contract of employment by the Company.

"Change of Control" is defined in Mr. Plumeri's agreement as:

- (a) the acquisition of ownership, directly or indirectly, beneficially or of record, by any Person or group (within the meaning of Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules of the SEC thereunder as in effect on the date hereof), of equity interests representing more than 30% of the aggregate ordinary voting power represented by the issued and outstanding equity interests of the Company;
- (b) occupation of a majority of the seats (other than vacant seats) on the Board of Directors of the Company by Persons who were neither (i) nominated by the Board of Directors of the Company nor (ii) appointed by directors so nominated; provided a Person shall not be deemed so nominated or appointed if such nomination or appointment is the result of a proxy contest or a threatened proxy contest;
- (c) the failure of the Company to own, directly or indirectly, at least 50% of the aggregate ordinary voting power represented by the issued and outstanding equity interests of Willis North America, Inc. (or the successor entity owning all or substantially all of the assets previously owned by Willis North America, Inc. if such assets are transferred);
- (d) a merger, consolidation or other corporate transaction of the Company (a "Transaction") such that the shareholders of the Company immediately prior to such Transaction do not own more than 50 percent of the aggregate ordinary voting power of the surviving entity (or its parent) immediately after such Transaction in approximately the same proportion to each other as immediately prior to the Transaction;
- (e) the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company; or
- (f) approval by the Company's shareholders of a plan of liquidation or dissolution of the Company.

Mr. Plumeri's employment agreement further provided that the definition of "Change of Control" may be narrowed in some circumstances, to the extent necessary to comply with Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code.

Potential Payments to Named Executive Officers other than the CEO Upon Termination or Change of Control

The following table sets forth the estimated payments and benefits our named executive officers other than the CEO would have received assuming the named executive officer was terminated or a change of control occurred on December 31, 2012.

Name	Severance (\$)	Value of Unvested Deferred Cash Awards (\$)	Total Payments on Termination (\$)	Welfare/ Other (\$)	Intrinsic Value of Unvested Share- Based Awards (\$)(1)
Michael Neborak	·				
Termination by the Company without Cause(2)(5)	600,000	562,500	1,162,500	17,628	932,067
Termination by the Company without Cause on a Change					
of Control(3)	600,000	562,500	1,162,500	17,628	932,067
Termination for Other Reasons(4)(5)	600,000	562,500	1,162,500	17,628	932,067
Change of Control ⁽⁶⁾	_	562,500	562,500	_	932,067
Stephen Hearn(7)					
Termination by the Company without Cause(2)	2,153,125	562,500	2,715,625	_	1,997,544
Termination by the Company without Cause on a Change					
of Control(3)	2,153,125	562,500	2,715,625	_	1,997,544
Termination for Other Reasons(4)	_	562,500	562,500	_	1,997,544
Change of Control ⁽⁶⁾	_	562,500	562,500	_	1,997,544
Timothy Wright(7)					
Termination by the Company without Cause(2)	2,071,875	750,000	2,821,875	_	1,492,630
Termination by the Company without Cause on a Change					
of Control(3)	2,071,875	750,000	2,821,875	_	1,492,630
Termination for Other Reasons(4)	_	750,000	750,000	_	1,492,630
Change of Control(6)	_	750,000	750,000	_	1,492,630
Victor Krauze					
Termination by the Company without Cause(2)	1,610,000	2,020,796	3,630,796	12,653	1,702,663
Termination by the Company without Cause on a Change					
of Control(3)	1,610,000	2,020,796	3,630,796	12,653	1,702,663
Termination for Other Reasons(4)(5)	700,000	2,020,796	2,720,796	12,653	1,702,663
Change of Control(6)	_	2,020,796	2,020,796	_	1,702,663

⁽¹⁾ Mr. Krauze entered into an amendment to his promotion letter dated October 16, 2012 which provides that in the event Mr. Krauze's employment is terminated by the Company without Good Cause or by the executive for Good Reason prior to December 31, 2013, all earned and

outstanding equity and long-term incentive awards granted to him through calendar year 2012 will vest in full. "Good Cause" is defined as (i) gross neglect of duties, (ii) conviction of a felony, (iii) dishonesty, embezzlement, or fraud by the executive in connection with his employment, (iv) the issuance of any final order for the executive's removal as an associate of the Company by any state or federal regulatory agency, (v) material willful breach of the "Confidential Information and Work for Hire" or "Employee Loyalty, Noncompetition and Non-solicitation" provisions in the executive's employment agreement, (vi) any material breach of the Company's Code of Ethics, or (vii) failure to maintain any insurance or other license necessary to the performance of the executive's duties. "Good Reason" is defined as (i) a material diminution in status, position, authority or duties which in Mr. Krauze's reasonable judgment is materially inconsistent with and has a material adverse impact on his status, position, authority or duties, (ii) a material reduction in base salary, (iii) a material breach by the Company of any material provision in Mr. Krause's employment agreement or promotion letter and (iv) beginning on April 2, 2013 and ending on December 31, 2013, Mr. Krauze's dissatisfaction with the strategy, policies or operating procedures adopted by the then CEO of the Company.

Mr. Hearn's employment agreement that was in effect on December 31, 2012 did not provide for the acceleration of his equity or long-term incentive awards upon a termination of employment for any reason. However, Mr. Hearn entered into an amended employment agreement on October 16, 2012 that was effective on January 1, 2013 which provides that in the event Mr. Hearn's employment is terminated by the Company without Cause or by the executive for Good Reason, any options, restricted shares, deferred cash or other long term incentive awards due to vest during the twelve month period following the termination date will vest on the termination date. "Cause" is defined as (i) gross and or chronic neglect of duties, (ii) conviction of an offence involving moral turpitude, (iii) dishonesty, embezzlement, fraud or other material willful misconduct in connection with employment, (iv) the issuance of any final order for removal as an associate or officer of the Company by any regulatory authority, (v) violation of any obligation or confidence, fiduciary duty, duty of loyalty or other material obligation owed to the Company in any employment or other agreement with the Company or implied as common law, (vi) material breach of the Company's code of ethics, or (vii) failure to maintain any insurance or license necessary for the performance of duties to the Company. "Good Reason" is defined as (i) a reduction in base salary or a material adverse reduction in benefits (other than (a) in the case of base salary a reduction offset by an increase in bonus opportunity upon the attainment of reasonable performance goals or (b) a general reduction in compensation or benefits affecting a broad group of employees), (ii) a material adverse reduction in principal duties and responsibilities or (iii) a significant transfer away from his primary service area or primary workplace other than as permitted by existing service contracts.

The Board may, in its discretion, accelerate each of the unvested option, RSU and deferred cash awards held by Messrs. Neborak, Hearn and Wright upon a termination of employment by the Company without cause.

For purposes of this section, it has been assumed that the Company has exercised its discretion to fully vest the option, RSU and deferred cash awards (at the target level of achievement) held by Messrs. Neborak, Hearn and Wright. The table above shows the intrinsic value of all unvested option, RSU and deferred cash awards held by the executives as of December 31, 2012.

(2) Mr. Neborak entered into an employment agreement with the Company dated July 6, 2010. The agreement provides that in the event his employment is terminated by the Company without Cause,

the executive will receive severance pay equal to 12 months of base salary. "Cause" is defined as (i) gross and or chronic neglect of duties, (ii) conviction of a felony or misdemeanor involving moral turpitude, (iii) material willful dishonesty, embezzlement, fraud or other material willful misconduct in connection with employment, (iv) the issuance of any final order for removal as an associate of the Company by any state or federal regulatory agency, (v) violation of the restrictive covenant provisions in an employment agreement or other agreement with the Company, (vi) material breach of any material duty owed to the Company, including, without limitation the duty of loyalty, (vii) material breach of any other material obligations under an employment or other agreement with the Company, (viii) material breach of the Company's code of ethics, (ix) failure to achieve reasonable performance goals as specified by the Company or (x) failure to maintain any insurance or license necessary for the performance of duties to the Company.

Mr. Krauze entered into an amendment to his promotion letter dated October 16, 2012 which provides that in the event Mr. Krauze's employment is terminated by the Company without Good Cause or by the executive for Good Reason (each as defined in footnote 1 above) prior to December 31, 2013, the executive will receive (i) 12 months of base salary and medical benefit continuation, (ii) payment of his annual incentive award for the 2012 fiscal year, subject to the achievement of the performance goals established by the Compensation Committee and (iii) a waiver of the repayment obligations applicable to his cash retention awards.

Mr. Hearn's employment agreement that was in effect on December 31, 2012 provided that if Mr. Hearn was terminated by the Company for any reason other than for Cause (as defined in footnote 1 above), he was entitled to receive an amount equal to his contractual notice pay due to him (*i.e.*, 12 months base salary) and an amount equal to his target annual incentive compensation award at the time of his termination. Mr. Hearn entered into an amended employment agreement on October 16, 2012 that was effective on January 1, 2013 which provides that in the event Mr. Hearn's employment is terminated by the Company without Cause or by the executive for Good Reason, he would be entitled to: (i) an amount equal to 150% of the sum of his annual base salary and target annual incentive award, which amount will be offset against any pay provided during the 12-month notice period set forth in the employment agreement or any pay in lieu of notice and will be payable in a lump sum, (ii) a pro-rata portion of his annual incentive award for the year in which the termination of employment occurs, based on actual performance, payable at the same time that annual incentive compensation awards are payable generally, (iii) any annual incentive compensation awards earned but unpaid for any prior fiscal year, and (iv) continuation of group medical coverage at the same rate that is applicable to active senior executive officers.

Mr. Wright entered into an amendment to his employment agreement dated July 19, 2012 which provides that in the event he is terminated by the Company for any reason other than for Cause (as defined in footnote 1 above with respect to Mr. Hearn), he will be entitled to receive an amount equal to the sum of his annual base salary and target annual incentive compensation award at the time he is served with notice of termination, which amount will be offset against any pay provided during the six-month notice period set forth in the employment agreement or any pay in lieu of notice and will be payable in a lump sum.

(3) The occurrence of a Change of Control will not trigger any automatic cash payments to Messrs. Neborak, Krauze, Hearn and Wright however, pursuant to his amended employment agreement that was effective on January 1, 2013, upon a termination of employment by the Company without Cause within two years following a Change of Control, Mr. Hearn is entitled to an enhanced severance payment. The enhanced severance payment is equal to 200% (rather than

150%) of the sum of his annual base salary and target annual incentive award, which amount will be offset against any pay provided during the 12-month notice period set forth in his employment agreement or any pay in lieu of notice. Further, the deferred cash awards held by the executives may, in the discretion of the Compensation Committee, vest and become payable. Further, as described below, certain option and RSU awards held by the executives will vest.

The amounts payable to Messrs. Neborak, Krauze, Hearn and Wright in respect of termination of employment on December 31, 2012 in connection with a Change of Control would be calculated on the same basis described in *Termination by the Company without Cause* above.

Mr. Neborak's employment agreement provides that in the event of Change of Control all of his RSUs and options will immediately vest in full

The option award granted to Mr. Krauze on May 6, 2008, the option award granted to Mr. Hearn on November 3, 2008 and the performance-based option award granted to Mr. Wright on September 1, 2008 automatically vest in full upon the occurrence of a Change of Control pursuant to the Company's 2008 Plan, to the extent such awards are not assumed or substituted. In the event those option awards are assumed or substituted, such options generally vest in full upon a participant's termination of employment occurring within 24 months following the Change of Control.

All other RSU and option awards may vest upon the occurrence of a Change of Control, in the sole discretion of the Board.

For purposes of the option, RSU and deferred cash awards, "Change of Control" is defined as (i) the acquisition of ownership, directly or indirectly, beneficially or of record, by any person or group (within the meaning of the Exchange Act and the rules of the SEC thereunder as in effect on the date hereof) of the ordinary shares of the Company representing more than 50% of the aggregate voting power represented by the issued and outstanding ordinary shares of the Company; or (ii) occupation of a majority of the seats (other than vacant seats) on the Board of the Company by persons who were neither (a) nominated by the Company's Board nor (b) appointed by directors so nominated.

For purposes of Mr. Hearn's amended employment agreement "Change of Control" is defined as: (i) the acquisition of ownership, directly or indirectly, beneficially or of record, by any person or group (within the meaning of the Exchange Act and the rules of the SEC thereunder as in effect on the date hereof) of equity interests representing more than thirty (30%) of the aggregate voting power represented by the issued and outstanding equity interests of the Company; occupation of a majority of the seats (other than vacant seats) on the Board of the Company by persons who were neither (a) nominated by the Company's Board nor (b) appointed by directors so nominated; (iii) a merger, consolidation or other corporate transaction of the Company such that shareholders of the Company immediately prior to such transaction do not own more than fifty percent (50%) of the aggregate ordinary voting power of the surviving entity (or its parent) immediately after such transaction in approximately the same proportion to each other as immediately prior to the transaction; or (iv) the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company.

For purposes of this section it has been assumed that the Company has exercised its discretion to fully vest the option, RSU and deferred cash awards (at the target level of achievement) held by Mr. Neborak, Krauze, Hearn and Wright to the extent that such awards do not automatically vest

in full. The table above shows the intrinsic value of all unvested option, RSU and deferred cash awards held by the executives as of December 31, 2012.

- (4) The unvested option, RSU and deferred cash awards held by Messrs. Neborak, Krauze, Hearn and Wright each vest in full upon a termination of employment due to death or permanent disability; *provided*, that, performance-based option and deferred cash awards only vest to the extent that performance targets have been achieved on the date of termination of employment. In addition, the Board, in its sole discretion, may accelerate the vesting of all option, RSU and deferred cash awards upon a termination of employment due to retirement.
 - For purposes of this section it has been assumed that the Company has exercised its discretion to fully vest the option, RSU and deferred cash awards (at the target level of achievement) held by Messrs. Neborak, Krauze, Hearn and Wright to the extent that such awards do not automatically vest in full. The table above shows the intrinsic value of all unvested option, RSU and deferred cash awards held by the executives as of December 31, 2012.
- (5) Mr. Neborak entered into restrictive covenant agreements with the Company, effective on August 2, 2010. The agreement provides, in part, that for a period of 12 months directly following his termination of employment for any reason the executive must refrain from working for, engaging or generally having a financial interest in certain of the Company's competitors. During the non-compete period the Company is obligated to make payments to the officer equal to the base salary payments the executive would have received if he had remained in the Company's employ during such period. In addition, the Company is required to pay for the cost of the officer's medical coverage during the non-compete period. The Company may elect to shorten the non-competition period for Mr. Neborak, in which case the Company would only be obligated to provide the officer with the base salary payments and medical benefits described above during the shortened non-compete period.

Mr. Krauze's employment agreement and promotion letter similarly provide that for a period of up to 12 months directly following Mr. Krauze's termination of employment for any reason the executive must refrain from working for, engaging or generally having a financial interest in certain of the Company's competitors. During the non-compete period the Company is obligated to make payments to Mr. Krauze equal to the base salary payments the executive would have received if he had remained in the Company's employ during such period. In addition, the Company is required to pay for the cost of the officer's medical coverage during the non-compete period. Such payments may be reduced by the amount of any other post—employment payments paid to Mr. Krauze, including any severance payments paid to him in connection with a termination without Good Cause or for Good Reason (each as defined in footnote 2 above). Further, the Company may elect to shorten the non-competition period, in which case the Company would only be obligated to provide Mr. Krauze with the base salary payments described in this footnote 5 during the shortened non-compete period.

The table above shows the payments the officer would have received had a termination of employment taken place on December 31, 2012, assuming that payments and benefits were provided for the full 12 month non-compete period.

6) The occurrence of a Change of Control will not trigger any automatic cash payments to Messrs. Neborak, Krauze, Hearn and Wright. However, as described in *Termination by the Company on Change of Control* above, certain option and RSU awards held by the executives automatically vest in full upon the occurrence of a Change of Control and the deferred cash and all other option and RSU awards held by the executives may vest upon the occurrence of a Change of Control, in the sole discretion of the Board.

For the purpose of this section, it has been assumed that the Company has exercised its discretion to fully vest the option, RSU and deferred cash awards (at the target level of achievement) held by Messrs. Neborak, Krauze, Hearn and Wright to the extent that such awards do not automatically vest in full. The table above shows the intrinsic value of all unvested option, RSU and deferred cash awards held by the executives as of December 31, 2012.

(7) Messrs. Hearn and Wright receive their salaries and annual incentive compensation awards in pounds sterling. The dollar figures shown have been calculated at the exchange rate as at December 31, 2012 (£1: \$1.625).

PROPOSAL THREE

ADVISORY VOTE ON NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMPENSATION

The Dodd-Frank Act enables our shareholders to vote to approve, on an advisory (nonbinding) basis, the compensation of our named executive officers as disclosed in this Proxy Statement in accordance with the SEC's rules, including the "Compensation Discussion and Analysis," the "Summary Compensation" table and related tables and disclosure (also referred to as "say-on-pay").

As noted above, the Company's objective is to attract and retain highly qualified and talented executives and professionals. This is paramount, as the marketplace in which the Company operates is highly competitive and includes substantial financial services companies. We also aim to create appropriate incentives for our executives to improve their individual performance with the objective of improving the Company's long-term performance. These objectives form the basis of the Company's compensation philosophy.

- Based on the Company's financial performance in 2012:
 - The Company financial metrics for annual incentive compensation awards had a higher performance threshold for the CEO than the other named executive officers as well as the pool established for other employees. This resulted in a zero payout for the CEO for his annual incentive compensation award based on the Company's performance with respect to the Adjusted EPS measure.
 - The CEO was awarded an annual incentive compensation award representing 24% of his original target payout and 36% of his revised target payout.
 - All other named executive officers received annual incentive compensation awards ranging from 74% to 93% of their target payouts.
 - All named executive officers received long-term incentive awards where the performance-based portion of the awards was reduced to 88% of the grant value.
- In response to the results of last year's advisory vote on the Company's named executive officer compensation, at the Board and Compensation Committee's request and under their guidance, management began an outreach program to the Company's shareholders to gather feedback and enable the Board and Compensation Committee to better understand shareholder concerns. This outreach program involved shareholders representing approximately 73% of the Company's shares and engaging in substantive discussions with investors representing over 40% of the Company's shares.
- The Board and the Compensation Committee, with assistance from management, responded to the outreach program by:
 - Revising the Company's financial metrics for its 2013 annual incentive compensation awards and performance-based long-term incentive awards to emphasize both short-term and long-term financial performance. The annual and long-term incentive awards will have different metrics, all of which will be key drivers to increase cash flow and, therefore, important constituents of shareholder value enhancement.

- Eliminating the one-year performance period targets in the 2013 long-term incentive awards in favor of a three-year performance period to encourage sustained performance.
- Lowering the new CEO's total target pay package by 26% compared to the 2012 CEO resulting in less disparity between the compensation of the CEO and other named executive officers.
- Lowering the new CEO's amount of fixed pay by almost 45% and adding a cap on his annual incentive compensation awards.
- Adopting a strict policy prohibiting directors and executive officers from entering into margin accounts.
- Revising the executive officer share ownership guidelines to require each executive officer to own shares equivalent in value to a multiple of his or her base salary ranging from two to six times his or her base salary, depending on the officer's level of position
- Requiring executives to retain at least 50% of shares received under equity award programs until the ownership guidelines are met.
- No executive officer has any guaranteed annual incentive compensation for 2013.

Shareholders are encouraged to read the "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" section of this Proxy Statement for a more detailed discussion of how the Company's compensation programs reflect our overarching compensation philosophy and core principles. We are asking our shareholders to indicate their support for our named executive officer compensation as described in this Proxy Statement. This vote is not intended to address any specific item of compensation, but rather the overall compensation of our named executive officers. Accordingly, we will ask our shareholders to vote "**FOR**" the following resolution:

"RESOLVED, that the shareholders of Willis Group Holdings Public Limited Company approve, on an advisory basis, the compensation of the Company's named executive officers as disclosed in the Company's Proxy Statement for the 2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders in accordance with the SEC's rules, including the "Compensation Discussion and Analysis," the "Summary Compensation" table and related tables and disclosure."

The advisory vote will not be binding on the Compensation Committee or the Board of Directors. However, they will consider the outcome of the vote and take into consideration any concerns raised by investors when determining future compensation arrangements.

The Board of Directors unanimously recommends a vote "FOR" the advisory resolution approving the overall executive compensation of our named executive officers, described in this Proxy Statement pursuant to the compensation disclosure rules of the SEC.

SECURITY OWNERSHIP

Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management

The following tables show the number of shares beneficially owned, as of May 31, 2013:

- By each entity which is known to beneficially own 5% or more of our outstanding shares,
- By each of our current directors and director nominees,
- By each named executive officer listed in the 2012 Summary Compensation Table and
- By each of our current directors, director nominees and executive officers as group.

The amounts and percentages of our shares beneficially owned are reported in accordance with Rule 13d-3 of the General Rules and Regulations under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). Under these rules, a person is deemed to be a beneficial owner of a security if that person has or shares voting power, which includes the power to vote or to direct the voting of that security, or investment power, which includes the power to dispose of or to direct the disposition of that security. A person is also deemed to be a beneficial owner of any securities of which that person has a right to acquire beneficial ownership within 60 days of May 31, 2013 (i.e., July 30, 2013). Also, more than one person may be deemed to be a beneficial owner of securities and a person may be deemed to be a beneficial owner of securities as to which that person has no economic interest.

5% Beneficial Owners

Name and Address	Number of Shares Beneficially Owned	Percent Beneficially Owned
ValueAct Capital(1) 435	16,500,000	9.5%
Pacific Avenue, Fourth Floor		
San Francisco, CA 94133		
T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc.(2)	14,681,338	8.4%
100 E. Pratt Street,		
Baltimore, MD 21202		
Harris Associates L.P.(3)	11,184,000	6.5%
Harris Associates Inc.		
Two North LaSalle Street, Suite 500		
Chicago, IL 60602		

⁽¹⁾ The information is based solely on Amendment No. 4 to the Schedule 13D filed with the SEC on April 30, 2013 jointly by ValueAct Capital Master Fund, L.P.; VA Partners I, LLC; ValueAct Capital Management, L.P.; ValueAct Capital Management, LLC; ValueAct Holdings, L.P.; and ValueAct Holdings GP, LLC. The amount beneficially owned includes 16,500,000 shares over which there is shared voting power and shared dispositive power among the joint filers. Percentage of our shares beneficially owned is as reported in their Schedule 13D/A as of April 25, 2013.

⁽²⁾ The information is based solely on the Schedule 13G filed with the SEC on February 12, 2013 by T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc. The amount beneficially owned includes 4,336,925 shares over which there is sole voting power and 14,681,338 shares over which there is sole dispositive power. Percentage of our shares beneficially owned is as reported in their Schedule 13G as of December 31, 2012.

(3) The information is based solely on the Schedule 13G filed with the SEC on February 11, 2013 by Harris Associates L.P. and its general partner, Harris Associates Inc. The amount beneficially owned includes 10,891,000 shares over which there is sole voting power and sole dispositive power. As a result of advisory and other relationships with persons who own the shares, Harris Associates L.P. may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of 11,184,000 shares. Percentage of our shares beneficially owned is as reported in their Schedule 13G as of December 31, 2012.

Directors, Director Nominees and Executive Officers

Name and Address(1)	Number of Shares Beneficially Owned(2)	Percent Beneficially Owned
Joseph Plumeri(3)	3,621,719	2.1%
Joseph Califano, Jr.(4)	12,770	*
Anna Catalano(5)	40,770	*
Sir Roy Gardner(6)	45,679	*
Sir Jeremy Hanley(7)	47,676	*
Robyn Kravit(8)	8,942	*
Jeffrey Lane	8,942	*
Wendy E. Lane(9)	9,259	*
Francisco Luzón(10)	0	*
James McCann(11)	11,620	*
Jaymin Patel(12)	0	*
Douglas Roberts(13)	17,196	*
Michael Somers	4,034	*
Jeffrey W. Ubben(14)	16,500,000	9.4%
Dominic Casserley	27,100	*
Stephen Hearn(15)	13,440	*
Victor Krauze ⁽¹⁶⁾	213,849	*
Michael Neborak	7,446	*
Timothy Wright(17)	311,950	*
All of our Current Directors, Director Nominees and Executive Officers (21 persons)	20,975,547	12.0%

^{*} Less than 1%.

⁽¹⁾ Unless otherwise indicated, the address of each of the persons listed below is c/o Willis Group Holdings Public Limited Company, Grand Mill Quay, Barrow Street, Dublin 4, Ireland.

- (2) The number of shares that the directors and executive officers are deemed to have a beneficial interest includes shares under options that will be exercisable and/or RSUs that will vest on or before July 30, 2013 as indicated in the following notes. These shares, however, are not deemed outstanding for purposes of computing percentage of beneficial ownership of any other person.
- (3) Mr. Plumeri's shares beneficially owned include 145,374 performance-based RSUs and 25,783 time-based RSUs, which are scheduled to vest on July 7, 2013, 1,250,000 options to purchase shares and 504,567 RSUs with deferred settlement until Mr. Plumeri incurs a separation of service from the Company. Mr. Plumeri will retire as Chairman of the Board on July 7, 2013.
- (4) Mr. Califano's shares beneficially owned include 3,189 vested RSUs, which will settle on July 23, 2013, and, indirectly, 1,000 shares held by his wife. Additionally, Mr. Califano beneficially owns 30,000 options pursuant to which he will receive the intrinsic value in cash upon exercise rather than receive shares upon payment of the exercise price. These options are not reflected in the above table.
- (5) Ms. Catalano's shares beneficially owned include 30,000 options to purchase shares and 1,361 vested RSUs, the settlement of which has been deferred until the earlier of when the director ceases to serve on the Board and January 2, 2017.
- (6) Sir Roy Gardner's shares beneficially owned include 30,000 options to purchase shares.
- (7) Sir Jeremy Hanley's shares beneficially owned include 30,000 options to purchase shares and 3,189 vested RSUs, the settlement of which has been deferred until the earlier of when the director ceases to serve on the Board and January 2, 2017.
- (8) Ms. Kravit's shares beneficially owned includes 1,361 vested RSUs, the settlement of which has been deferred until the earlier of when the director ceases to serve on the Board and January 2, 2017.
- (9) Ms. Lane also beneficially owns 30,000 options pursuant to which she will receive the intrinsic value in cash upon exercise rather than receive shares upon payment of the exercise price. These options are not reflected in the above table.
- (10) Mr. Luzón has been nominated as a director by the Board at the 2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders.
- (11) Mr. McCann's shares beneficially owned includes 1,361 vested RSUs, the settlement of which has been deferred until the earlier of when the director ceases to serve on the Board and January 2, 2017. Additionally, Mr. McCann beneficially owns 30,000 options pursuant to which he will receive the intrinsic value in cash upon exercise rather than receive shares upon payment of the exercise price. These options are not reflected in the above table.
- (12) Mr. Patel has been nominated as a director by the Board at the 2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders.
- (13) Mr. Roberts' shares beneficially owned includes 3,189 vested RSUs, the settlement of which has been deferred until the earlier of when the director ceases to serve on the Board and January 2, 2017. Additionally, Mr. Roberts beneficially owns 30,000 options pursuant to which he will receive the intrinsic value in cash upon exercise rather than receive shares upon payment of the exercise price. These options are not reflected in the above table.
- (14) Mr. Ubben has been nominated as a director by the Board for election at the 2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders. Includes 16,500,000 ordinary shares beneficially owned by ValueAct Capital Master Fund, L.P., as to which Mr. Ubben may be deemed a beneficial owner. Mr. Ubben disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

- (15) Mr. Hearn's shares beneficially owned include 3,400 performance-based RSUs that are scheduled to vest on July 1, 2013 and 6,249 options to purchase shares.
- (16) Mr. Krauze's shares beneficially owned include 2,512 shares held indirectly by the Theresa L. Krauze Revocable Trust and 184,192 options to purchase shares.
- (17) Mr. Wright's shares beneficially owned include 295,832 options to purchase shares.

SECTION 16 BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP REPORTING COMPLIANCE

Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act requires the Company's executive officers and directors, and persons who own more than 10% of a registered class of the Company's equity securities, to file reports of ownership and changes in ownership (Forms 3, 4 and 5) with the SEC and the NYSE. Executive officers, directors and such security holders are required by SEC regulation to furnish the Company with copies of all such forms which they file. To the Company's knowledge, based solely on a review of the copies of such reports furnished to the Company and information provided by the reporting persons, all of its directors and executive officers made all required filings on time during 2012 with the exception of one delinquent report on Form 4 reporting the sale of 29,000 shares by Sarah Turvill on May 1, 2012.

INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

To the extent that this Proxy Statement has been or will be specifically incorporated by reference into any other filing by the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, the sections of this Proxy Statement entitled "Compensation Committee Report" and "Audit Committee Report," to the extent permitted by SEC rules shall not be deemed to be so incorporated, unless specifically otherwise provided in such filing.

SOLICITATION OF PROXIES

The Board of Directors hereby solicits proxies for use at the 2013 Annual General Meeting and at any adjournment thereof. Shareholders who execute a proxy may still attend the meeting and vote in person.

If you are a shareholder of record, you may revoke your proxy at any time before the meeting by submitting a new proxy with a later date, by a later telephone or Internet vote, by voting in person at the meeting or by notifying the Company Secretary. Written revocations should be directed to:

Company Secretary c/o Office of the General Counsel Willis Group Holdings Public Limited Company One World Financial Center 200 Liberty Street New York, NY 10281-1003

If your shares are held in a stock brokerage account or by a bank or other nominee on your behalf, follow the voting instructions provided to you with these materials to determine how you may change your vote.

Executors, administrators, trustees, guardians, attorneys and other representatives should indicate the capacity in which they are signing and corporations should sign by an authorized officer whose title should be indicated. Mere attendance at the meeting will not revoke a proxy which was previously submitted to the Company.

The cost of this proxy solicitation is borne directly by the Company. MacKenzie Partners has been retained to assist in the proxy solicitation at a base fee of approximately \$15,000 plus expenses. In addition to solicitation of proxies by mail, proxies may be solicited personally, by telephone, by e-mail and by facsimile by the Company's directors, officers and other employees. Such persons will receive no additional compensation for such services. The Company will also request brokers and other nominees to forward soliciting material to the beneficial owners of shares which are held of record by them, and will pay the necessary expenses.

ETHICAL CODE

The Company has adopted an Ethical Code applicable to all our directors, officers and employees, including our CEO, the Group Chief Financial Officer, the Group Financial Controller and all those involved in the Company's accounting functions. Our Ethical Code can be found in the Investor Relations — Corporate Governance section of our website at www.willis.com. A copy is also available free of charge on request from the Company Secretary, c/o Office of the General Counsel, Willis Group Holdings Public Limited Company, One World Financial Center, 200 Liberty Street, New York, NY 10281-1033. The Company intends to post on its website any amendments to, or waivers of, a provision of its Ethical Code in accordance with Item 406 of Regulation S-K.

SHAREHOLDER AND OTHER PROPOSALS

Shareholders who wish to present a proposal under Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act and have it considered for inclusion in the Company's proxy materials for the 2014 Annual General Meeting of the Company's shareholders must submit such proposal in writing to the Secretary of the Company on or before February 10, 2014.

Where a shareholder wants to nominate a person for election to the Board at the Company's Annual General Meeting, the shareholder must provide advance notice to the Company. Notice of shareholder nominations for election at the 2014 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders must be received by the Company Secretary, c/o Office of the General Counsel, Willis Group Holdings Public Limited Company, One World Financial Center, 200 Liberty Street, New York, NY 10281-1033, no earlier than January 11, 2014 and no later than February 10, 2014. The notice must disclose in respect of the proposed nominee, name, age, business and residence address, principal occupation, number of shares beneficially owned and such other information as is required to be disclosed for the election of directors under Section 14 of the Exchange Act, together with a notice executed by the proposed nominee confirming his or her willingness to serve as a Director if so elected. The shareholder making the nomination will be expected to provide his or her name, address and number of shares of the Company beneficially owned.

A copy of the Company's memorandum and articles of association can be obtained from the Company Secretary on request or can be found in the Investor Relations — Corporate Governance section of our website at www.willis.com. A shareholder may also propose an individual to the Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee for its consideration as a nominee for election to

the Board by writing to the Group General Counsel, Willis Group Holdings Public Limited Company, One World Financial Center, 200 Liberty Street, New York, NY 10281-1003. The Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee will consider the shareholder's nominee proposal in accordance with the selection process and specific qualification standards as set out in the Company's Corporate Governance Guidelines.

Shareholders who wish to present a proposal at the 2014 Annual General Meeting that has not been included in the Company's proxy materials must submit such proposal (other than a nomination for election discussed above) in writing to the Secretary of the Company. If such notice is received by the Secretary on or after April 26, 2014, SEC rules permit the Company to confer discretionary authority to vote on such proposals on persons appointed as proxies on behalf of the Company.

In addition, the Company's articles of association and the Irish Companies Acts contain further requirements relating to the timing and content of the notice which shareholders must provide to the Company for any nomination or matter to be properly presented at a shareholders' meeting.

By order of the Board of Directors, Nicole Napolitano Group Company Secretary

EXHIBIT A

RECONCILIATION OF GAAP TO NON-GAAP INFORMATION

I. Analysis of Commissions and Fees

The following table reconciles organic commissions and fees growth by segment to the percentage change in reported commissions and fees for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2012:

	Th	ree months	ended				
		December 3	81,	Change attributable to			
	2012	2011	% Change	Foreign currency translation	Acquisitions and disposals	Organic commissions and fees growth (a)	
Global	\$237	\$213	11.3%	(0.3)%	— %	11.6%	
North America	331	316	4.7%	(0.3)%	— % (b)	5.0%(b)	
International	299	281	6.4%	(1.0)%	— %	7.4%	
Commissions and fees	\$867	\$810	7.0%	(0.5)%	%	7.5%	

	Two	elve months er December 31,		Change attributable to				
	2012	2011	% Change	Foreign currency translation	Acquisitions and disposals	Organic commissions and fees growth (a)		
Global	\$1,124	\$1,073	4.8%	(1.3)%	 %	6.1%		
North America	1,306	1,314	(0.6)%	— %	— % (c)	(0.6)%		
International	1,028	1,027	0.1%	(4.8)%	— %	4.9%		
Commissions and fees	\$3,458	\$3,414	1.3%	(1.8)%	<u> </u>	3.1%		

- (a) Organic commissions and fees growth excludes: (i) the impact of foreign currency translation; (ii) the first twelve months of net commission and fee revenues generated from acquisitions; (iii) the net commission and fee revenues related to operations disposed of in each period presented; (iv) in North America, legacy contingent commissions assumed as part of the HRH acquisition and that had not been converted into higher standard commission; and (v) investment income and other income from reported revenues.
- (b) Results for Willis North America showed organic growth of 5.0% attributable, in part, to the reversal in the fourth quarter of 2011 of revenue that was improperly recorded during 2011. Excluding that revenue reversal, organic growth in Willis North America was 3.1%.
- (c) Included in North America reported commissions and fees were legacy HRH contingent commissions of \$nil in the fourth quarter of 2012 and the fourth quarter of 2011 and \$2 million in 2012 compared with \$5 million in 2011.

Our methods of calculating these measures may differ from those used by other companies and therefore comparability may be limited.

II. Adjusted Operating Income

The following table reconciles operating (loss) income, the most directly comparable GAAP measure, to adjusted operating income, for the twelve months ended December 31, 2012 and 2011:

	Twelve months ended December 31,		
	2012	2011	% Change
Operating (Loss) Income	\$ (209)	\$ 566	NM
Excluding:			
Goodwill impairment charge(a)	492	_	
Write-off of unamortized cash retention awards(b)	200		
Additional incentive accrual for change in remuneration policy(c)	252	_	
Insurance recovery(d)	(10)	_	
Loss/(gain) on disposal of operations	3	(4)	
Write-off of uncollectible accounts receivable and legal fees(e)	13	22	
India JV settlement (f)	11	_	
2011 Operational Review (g)		180	
Financial Services Authority regulatory settlement	_	11	
Adjusted Operating Income	\$752	\$775	(3.0)%
Operating Margin, or Operating Income as a percentage of Total Revenues	(6.0)%	<u>16.4</u> %	
Adjusted Operating Margin, or Adjusted Operating Income as a percentage of Total Revenues	<u>21.6</u> %	22.5%	

- (a) Non-cash charge recognized related to the impairment of the carrying value of the North America reporting unit's goodwill.
- (b) Write-off of unamortized cash retention awards following decision to eliminate the repayment requirement on past awards.
- (c) Additional incentive accrual recognized following the replacement of annual cash retention awards with annual cash bonuses which will not feature a repayment requirement.
- (d) Insurance recovery related to previously disclosed improperly recorded revenue in Chicago.
- (e) Write-off of an uncollectible accounts receivable balance, together with associated legal fees, related to overstatement of Commissions and Fees from the years 2004 to 2011, in Chicago.
- (f) Settlement with former partners related to the termination of a joint venture arrangement in India.
- (g) Charge relating to the 2011 Operational Review, including \$34 million of severance costs relating to the elimination of approximately 400 position in the fourth quarter of 2011 and \$98 million of severance costs relating to the elimination of approximately 1,200 positions for the full year 2011.

III. Adjusted Net Income from Continuing Operations

The following table reconciles net (loss) income from continuing operations and earnings per diluted share from continuing operations, the most directly comparable GAAP measures, to adjusted net income from continuing operations and earnings per diluted share from continuing operations, for the twelve months ended December 31, 2012 and 2011:

	Twelve months ended December 31,		Twe	re ıded ,		
			%			%
	2012	2011	Change	2012	2011	Change
Net (Loss) Income from Continuing Operations attributable to			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
Willis Group Holding plc	\$(446)	\$203	NA	\$(2.58)	\$ 1.15	NM
Excluding:						
Goodwill impairment charge, net of tax (\$34, \$nil)(a)	458			2.60		
Write-off of unamortized cash retention awards, net of tax						
(\$62, \$nil)(b)	138			0.78		
Additional incentive accrual for change in remuneration						
policy, net of tax (\$77, \$nil)(c)	175	_		0.99		
Insurance recovery, net of tax (\$4, \$nil)(d)	(6)	_		(0.03)		
Loss/(gain) on disposal of operations, net of tax (\$nil, \$nil)	3	(4)		0.02	(0.02)	
India JV settlement, net of tax (\$nil, \$nil)(e)	11	_		0.06		
Write-off of uncollectible accounts receivable balance and						
legal fees, net of tax (\$5, \$9)(f)	8	13		0.05	0.08	
2011 Operational Review charge, net of tax (\$nil, \$52)(g)		128			0.73	
Financial Services Authority regulatory settlement, net of						
tax (\$nil, \$nil)		11			0.06	
Make-whole amounts on repurchase and redemption of						
Senior Notes and write-off of unamortized debt issuance						
costs, net of tax (\$nil, \$50)		131			0.74	
Deferred tax valuation allowance(h)	113			0.64		
Dilutive impact of potentially issuable shares(i)				0.05		
Adjusted Net Income from Continuing Operations	\$ 454	\$482	(5.8)%	\$ 2.58	\$ 2.74	(5.8)%
Diluted shares outstanding	176	176	` ,			` ,

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- (h) Valuation allowance against deferred tax assets.
- (i) Diluted earnings per share are calculated by dividing net income by the average number of shares outstanding during each period. However, potentially issuable shares were not included in the calculation of diluted earnings per share for the three months and twelve months ended December 31, 2012 because the Company's net loss rendered their impact anti-dilutive. The dilutive impact of potentially issuable shares is included on reconciling to adjusted earnings per share from continuing operations.

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

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

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1. Ele	ection of Directors	For	Against	Abstain				I		
1a	. Dominic Casserley				The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR proposals 2 and 3.	For	Against	Abstain		
1b	. Anna C. Catalano				2. Ratify the reappointment of Deloitte LLP as					
1c	. Sir Roy Gardner				independent auditors until the close of the next Annual General Meeting of Shareholders and authorize the					
1d	. Sir Jeremy Hanley				Board of Directors, acting through the Audit Committee, to fix the auditor's remuneration.					
1e	. Robyn S. Kravit				3. Advisory vote to approve named executive officer					
1 f.	Wendy E. Lane				compensation.					
1g	. Francisco Luzón				NOTE: Such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof					
1 h	. James F. McCann									
1 i.	Jaymin Patel									
1j.	Douglas B. Roberts									
1k	. Michael J. Somers									
11.	Jeffrey W. Ubben				For address changes/comments, mark here. (see reverse for instructions)					
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WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY 2013 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS - JULY 23, 2013

The undersigned being a shareholder of Willis Group Holdings Public Limited Company (the "Company") hereby appoints Mr. Dominic Casserley, if Mr. Casserley is not present, any director of the Company or Mr. Adam Rosman, with full power of substitution, for and in the name of the undersigned, to vote all Ordinary Shares, nominal value U.S. \$0.000115 per share, of the Company, that the undersigned would be entitled to vote if personally present at the 2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, to be held in Dublin, Ireland and at any adjournment or postponement thereof, upon the matters described in the Notice of 2013 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders and Proxy Statement, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, subject to any direction indicated on the reverse side of this card and upon any other business that may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof, hereby revoking any proxy heretofore executed by the undersigned to vote at said meeting.

THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED AS DIRECTED. IF NO DIRECTION IS INDICATED, THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED FOR THE PROPOSALS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BOARD'S RECOMMENDATIONS.

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