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The following materials are available for view:

Notice and Proxy Statement and Annual Report

To view this material, have the 12-digit Control #(s) available and visit: www.proxyvote.com

If you want to receive a paper or e-mail copy of the above listed documents you must request one. There is no charge to you for requesting a copy. To facilitate timely delivery please make the request as instructed below on or before 04/28/09.

To request material: Internet: www.proxyvote.com Telephone: 1-800-579-1639 **Email: sendmaterial@proxyvote.com

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At the Meeting you will need to request a ballot to vote these shares.

Vote By Internet

To vote *now* by Internet, go to <u>WWW.PROXYVOTE.COM</u>. Have the 12-Digit Control Number available and follow the instructions.

Vote By Mail

You can vote by mail by requesting a paper copy of the materials, which include a proxy card.

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11500 N. MOPAC EXPRESSWAY

BUILDING B

AUSTIN, TX 78759

Meeting Location

The Annual Meeting for stockholders as of 3/16/09

is to be held on 5/12/09 at 9:00 A.M. CDT

at: National Instruments Corporation 11500 N. Mopac Expressway Building C Austin, TX 78759

FOR MEETING DIRECTIONS PLEASE CALL: 512-683-6912

Voting items The Board of Directors recommends a

vote FOR the nominee.

1. Election of Director **Nominee:**

01) Duy-Loan T. Le