

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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The Eastern Company

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The Board of Directors of The Eastern Company (the “Company”) has furnished a proxy statement to its shareholders in connection with its solicitation of proxies for use at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on May 3, 2017. The proxy statement was first furnished to shareholders on or about March 15, 2017.

Page 7 of the proxy statement contains “Item No. 3 - ADVISORY VOTE ON THE FREQUENCY OF THE VOTE ON THE COMPENSATION OF THE NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS”.

Upon further consideration, **The Board of Directors recommends voting FOR choice number 1, which provides that shareholders will have an advisory vote every year on the compensation of the Company’s named executive officers.**

If you have already submitted your proxy and you wish to change your votes, you can revoke your prior proxy by filing a new proxy, or by giving notice of revocation of your proxy to The Eastern Company, 112 Bridge Street, P.O. Box 460, Naugatuck, CT 06770-0460.