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NOTICE OF 2014 ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS  
TO BE HELD ON  
July 22, 2014

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 2014 Annual Meeting of Shareholders of TESSCO Technologies Incorporated, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), will be held at our offices located at 375 West Padonia Road, Timonium, Maryland 21093, USA, on Tuesday, July 22, 2014 at 9:00 a.m., local time, for the following purposes:

1. To elect six director nominees to serve on our Board of Directors, each for one-year terms ending at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held in 2015 and until their respective successors are duly elected and qualified.
2. To ratify the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal year 2015.
3. To act upon any other matter that may properly come before the Annual Meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof, and any proposal presented for the adjournment of the meeting.

The Board of Directors of the Company has fixed the close of business on June 4, 2014 as the record date for determining shareholders of the Company entitled to notice of and to vote at the Annual Meeting. A list of shareholders as of the record date will be available for inspection at the Company's corporate headquarters during business hours for a period of ten days before the Annual Meeting.

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on July 22, 2014

Pursuant to rules and regulations adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission, we have elected to provide access to our proxy materials over the Internet, allowing us to provide the information shareholders need, while lowering delivery and printing expenses. On or about June 11, 2014, we mailed to our shareholders a notice containing instructions on how our shareholders may access online our 2014 Proxy Statement, 2014 Annual Report to Shareholders, and Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 30, 2014, and how our shareholders may request paper copies of these materials, and how our shareholders may direct their votes. Neither our Annual Report to Shareholders nor our Annual Report on Form 10-K constitutes soliciting materials, but provides you with additional information about the Company.

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We invite your attention to each of these documents, and we invite you to attend the Annual Meeting of Shareholders, in person. If you are a shareholder of record, or a “registered holder,” meaning that you hold shares directly with Wells Fargo Shareowner Services, our transfer agent, the inspector of elections will have your name on a list, and you will be able to gain entry to the meeting with a form of government-issued photo identification, such as a driver’s license, state-issued ID card, or passport. Shareholders holding stock in brokerage accounts, or in “street name,” will need to bring a copy of a brokerage statement reflecting their stock ownership as of the record date. Shareholders attending the meeting in a representative capacity will need to bring evidence of their representative status in order to gain entry.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
Aric Spitulnik  
Chief Financial Officer, Senior Vice President and Corporate Secretary

Hunt Valley, Maryland  
June 11, 2014

**EVEN IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND THE MEETING IN PERSON, PLEASE EITHER SUBMIT YOUR PROXY ONLINE, DIRECT YOUR VOTE VIA TELEPHONE, OR COMPLETE, SIGN AND DATE A PROXY CARD, WHICH IS AVAILABLE TO YOU ONLINE, OR UPON REQUEST, AND RETURN IT PROMPTLY TO US. IF YOU ATTEND THE MEETING IN PERSON, YOU MAY REVOKE YOUR PROXY AND VOTE IN PERSON AT THE MEETING.**

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## PROXY STATEMENT

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### INTRODUCTION

#### General

This Proxy Statement is made available to shareholders of TESSCO Technologies Incorporated, a Delaware corporation (the “Company” or “TESSCO”), in connection with the solicitation by the Board of Directors of the Company of proxies for use at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held at our offices located at 375 West Padonia Road, Timonium, Maryland 21093, on Tuesday, July 22, 2014 at 9:00 a.m., local time, and at any adjournment or postponement thereof.

#### Notice of Electronic Availability of Proxy Statement and Annual Report

Pursuant to the e-proxy rules and regulations adopted by the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”), we have elected to provide access to our proxy materials over the Internet. On or about June 11, 2014, we mailed to our shareholders a notice (the “E-Proxy Notice”) containing instructions on how to access online our 2014 Proxy Statement, Annual Report to Shareholders and Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 30, 2014, and on how a proxy may be submitted over the Internet. If you would like to receive a printed copy of our proxy materials, you should follow the instructions for requesting proxy materials included in the E-Proxy Notice. These materials will be available free of charge and will be sent to you within three business days of your request. Neither our Annual Report to Shareholders nor our Annual Report on Form 10-K constitute soliciting materials, but provide you with additional information about TESSCO.

#### Solicitation

The solicitation of proxies is being made primarily by mail and through the internet, but directors, officers, employees, and contractors retained by the Company may also engage in the solicitation of proxies by telephone. The cost of soliciting proxies will be borne by the Company. The Company has retained the services of Innisfree M&A Incorporated to assist in the solicitation of proxies, at a cost to the Company for basic services of approximately \$8,500. Depending upon the circumstances, the scope of services to be provided by Innisfree may expand, and cost would be expected to increase correspondingly. In addition, the Company may reimburse brokers, custodians, nominees and other record holders for their reasonable out-of-pocket expenses in forwarding proxy materials to beneficial owners.

#### Voting Rights and Outstanding Shares

The Board of Directors of the Company has fixed the close of business on June 4, 2014 as the record date for determining the shareholders of the Company entitled to notice of and to vote at the Annual Meeting. On the record date, 8,330,414 shares of common stock, \$0.01 par value per share, of the Company were issued and outstanding. Each share of common stock entitles the holder to one vote on each matter to be voted on at the Annual Meeting. There is no cumulative voting for the election of directors.

The presence, in person or by proxy, of at least a majority of the total number of shares of common stock entitled to vote is necessary to constitute a quorum at the Annual Meeting. If there are not sufficient votes for a quorum, or if otherwise determined to be necessary or appropriate, the Annual Meeting may be adjourned or postponed from time to time, including in order to permit the further solicitation of proxies.

Your vote is important. Because most of our shareholders cannot attend the Annual Meeting in person, it is necessary for a large number to be represented by proxy. Most shareholders have a choice of directing their vote over the Internet, by using a toll-free telephone number or by completing a proxy card and mailing it in a postage-paid envelope that we will provide to you upon your request. Please check the information forwarded by your bank, broker or other holder of record to see what options are available to you. The Internet and telephone proxy vote facilities for shareholders of record are scheduled to close at 11:59 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on the business day prior to the Annual Meeting day, but may remain open or be reopened if determined to be necessary or appropriate, or in the event of any adjournment or postponement of the Annual Meeting.

A shareholder may, with respect to the election of directors, (i) vote “FOR” the election of the nominees, (ii) “WITHHOLD AUTHORITY” to vote for all nominees, or (iii) vote “FOR” the election of all nominees other than any nominee with respect to whom the shareholder withholds authority to vote. A shareholder may, with respect to each other matter specified in the notice of meeting, (i) vote “FOR” the matter, (ii) vote “AGAINST” the matter, or (iii) “ABSTAIN” from voting on the matter.

All shares of common stock entitled to vote and represented by properly submitted proxies received prior to the Annual Meeting and not revoked, will be voted in accordance with your instructions. If no instructions are indicated, the shares of common stock represented by a properly submitted proxy will be voted in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of Directors. The Board recommends a vote “FOR” the election of all director nominees, and “FOR” the ratification of Ernst & Young LLP as our independent registered accounting firm for fiscal 2015.

A submitted proxy may indicate that all or a portion of the shares represented by the proxy are not being voted by the shareholder with respect to a particular matter. This could occur, for example, when a broker is not permitted to vote common stock held in street name on certain matters in the absence of instructions from the beneficial owner of the common stock. These “nonvoted shares,” i.e., shares subject to a proxy which are not being voted by a broker or other nominee with respect to a particular matter, will be considered shares not present and entitled to vote on such matter, although these shares may be considered present and entitled to vote for other purposes and will count for purposes of determining the presence of a quorum.

#### Revocation of Proxies

A proxy may be revoked at any time before its exercise by the filing of a written revocation with Aric M. Spitulnik, Corporate Secretary of the Company, by timely providing a later dated proxy (including by Internet or telephone vote), or by voting by ballot at the Annual Meeting. Mere attendance at the Annual Meeting will not revoke a proxy, and if you are a beneficial owner of shares not registered in your own name, you will need additional documentation from your record holder to vote personally at the Annual Meeting.

## Required Vote

The affirmative vote of a majority of the shares of common stock present in person or by proxy at the Annual Meeting and entitled to vote thereon is required to approve each matter requiring the approval of shareholders, other than the vote on election of directors, which is by plurality vote. Under Delaware law, abstentions with respect to matters other than the election of directors are generally considered as shares present and entitled to vote and thus have the same effect as a vote against such matter. "Nonvoted shares" with respect to such a matter will not be considered as entitled to vote on the matter and thus will be present for purposes of determining a quorum but will not otherwise affect the determination of whether the matter is approved.

In an uncontested election, if a nominee to the Company's Board of Directors is elected but does not receive a majority of the votes cast in his or her election, our Bylaws provide that such nominee will, within ten business days after the certification of the election results, submit to the Board a letter of resignation for consideration by the Nominating and Governance Committee. The Nominating and Governance Committee will then assess the appropriateness of the continued service of such nominee and recommend to the Board the action to be taken on such tendered resignation. The Board will determine what action to take within ninety days after the date of the certification of election results.

The Board knows of no matters that will be presented for consideration at the Annual Meeting other than those described in this Proxy Statement. Submission of a proxy, however, confers on the designated proxy the authority to vote the shares in accordance with their discretion on such other business, if any, as may properly come before the Annual Meeting or any adjournment thereof. If, for example, our Board or our Chairman and President determine to direct one or more adjournments of the meeting, the persons named as proxies on the enclosed proxy card will have discretionary authority to vote the shares represented by proxies in the event that it is determined to submit a proposal for adjournment to a vote. Proxies solicited by means of this proxy statement will be tabulated by inspectors of election designated by the Board, who will not be employees or directors of the Company or any of its affiliates.

## Proposal No. 1 - ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

On January 19, 2011, our Board approved an amendment and restatement of our By-Laws to provide for the declassification of the Board, which had the ultimate effect of reducing the term for elected directors from three years to one year (and in each case until their respective successors are duly elected and qualified). The Board was previously divided into three classes, each class consisting, as nearly as possible, of one-third of the total number of directors, and with the directors in one class elected each year to serve for a term of three years and until their successors were duly elected and qualified. In order to transition from a classified Board to a Board of a single class with all of its members elected annually, beginning with the 2011 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, and at each annual meeting thereafter, successors to the class of directors whose term then expires are elected to hold office for a term expiring at the next Annual Meeting of Shareholders. As a result, beginning with the Annual Meeting last year, classification of our Board of Directors has been eliminated and all directors are elected annually. In May 2013, Daniel Okrent notified the Board of his intention to retire from the Board of Directors, effective upon the completion of his current term in office and the calling to order of the 2013 Annual Meeting. Mr. Okrent retired from the Board of Directors at that time, whereupon the Board of Directors decided not to fill the seventh seat on the Board which had been occupied by Mr. Okrent and reduced the size of the board from seven members to six members. Messrs. Baitler, Barnhill, Beletic, Konsynski, Shaughnessy and Zifferer have each been nominated by the Board for re-election at the Annual Meeting, to serve for an additional one-year term expiring at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders in 2015 and until their successors are elected and qualified. In the event that any nominee is unable or unwilling to serve, the Board may name a substitute nominee and the persons named in the proxy will vote for such substitute nominee or nominees as they, in their discretion, shall determine. The Board has no reason to believe that any nominee named herein will be unable or unwilling to serve.

The Board recommends a vote “FOR” the election of each of the nominees nominated by the Board.

Set forth below is information concerning the nominees for election at the Annual Meeting.

Nominees for Director for a One-Year Term Expiring at the 2015 Annual Meeting

Robert B. Barnhill, Jr., age 70, has served as President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company since founding the business in its current form in 1982. Mr. Barnhill has been a director of the Company since 1982, and has been Chairman of the Board since November 1993.

Mr. Barnhill is well qualified to serve as a member of our Board based on his experience as a long-standing CEO who has presided over our extensive growth.

John D. Beletic, age 62, has been a director of the Company since July 1999 and lead director since August 2008. Since November 2011, Mr. Beletic has served as Chairman of X-IO Technologies (Xiotech), Inc., a data storage array company. From November 2011 to May 2014, Mr. Beletic also served as President and CEO of X-IO. Mr. Beletic also serves as Chairman of the Board of iPass, Inc., an internet access provider. Mr. Beletic is also a venture partner with Oak Investment Partners, a position he has held since 2002. From September 2008 to December 2009, Mr. Beletic served as Chairman of Fiber Tower Inc., a provider of wireless backhaul services to mobile network carriers, where he previously served from August 2006 to September 2008 as Executive Chairman.

Mr. Beletic is well qualified to serve as a member of our Board due to his extensive experience leading companies in the telecommunications industry and his experience evaluating and managing various companies during his tenure in the private equity industry.

Benn R. Konsynski, Ph.D., age 63, has been a director of the Company since November 1993. He is the George S. Craft Professor of Business Administration for Information Systems and Operations Management at the Goizueta Business School of Emory University. He is Director and founder of Emory’s Center for Digital Commerce, one of the first of its kind in the country. He was named Hewlett Fellow at the Carter Center in 1995. Prior to arriving at the Goizueta Business School, he was on the faculty at the Harvard Business School for seven years, where he taught in the MBA program and several executive programs. Professor Konsynski specializes in issues of digital commerce and information technology in relationships across organizations.

Dr. Konsynski is well qualified to serve as a member of our Board based on his knowledge and expertise in technology systems and digital commerce.

Morton F. Zifferer, Jr., age 66, has been a director of the Company since November 1993. He has served as Chairman and CEO of New Standard Corporation, a privately held metal products manufacturing firm, since 1983. Mr. Zifferer and New Standard Corporation have partnered with several Fortune 500 companies globally to implement Six-Sigma continuous improvement activities and execute lean manufacturing techniques and sophisticated supply chain strategies and practices.

Mr. Zifferer is well qualified to serve as a member of our Board due to his extensive experience in providing manufacturing and supply solutions to large global companies. Mr. Zifferer is also the Audit Committee’s financial expert.



Dennis J. Shaughnessy, age 67, has been a director of the Company since 1989. He served as Chairman of the Board of FTI Consulting Inc. FTI is a leading global consulting firm with \$1.6 billion in revenues with operations in 24 countries and is traded on the New York Stock Exchange with a market cap of approximately \$2.0 billion. Mr. Shaughnessy retired as Chairman of FTI effective December 17, 2013. Prior to joining FTI, Mr. Shaughnessy served as General Partner of Grotech Capital Group, a private equity firm, leading its traditional industry group, managing \$1.0 billion in private equity. Prior to joining Grotech, Mr. Shaughnessy had been President and CEO of CRI International, an international petroleum refining service business, which was sold to Shell Oil in 1989.

Mr. Shaughnessy is well qualified to serve as a member of our Board due to his extensive experience in leading a large global consulting firm as well as his experience evaluating and managing various companies during his tenure in the private equity industry.

Jay G. Baitler, age 67, has been a director of the Company since 2007. He served as Executive Vice President of Staples Contract Division from 2004 until his retirement in 2013. Prior to serving as Executive Vice President of Staples Contract Division, Mr. Baitler served as Mid-Atlantic Regional President and Senior Vice President, Contract Division at Staples. Prior to joining Staples in 1995, Mr. Baitler served as the Northeast Regional President at BT Office Products and President of Summit Office Supply.

Mr. Baitler oversaw significant growth at Staples, both organic and acquired, and was personally responsible for the integration of the largest acquisition in Staples' history – the \$4.4 billion acquisition of Corporate Express. He is well qualified to serve as a member of our Board due to his management, sales, marketing, procurement, business development, supply chain, vendor management, ecommerce and contract expertise.

#### Board Independence and Leadership Structure

The Board has determined that, other than Mr. Barnhill, each of the current directors, including the director nominees, is independent within the meaning of the Company's director independence standards, which reflects both the NASDAQ and SEC director independence standards, as currently in effect. The four standing committees of the Board of Directors are comprised solely of independent directors with the exception of the Risk and Strategy Committee which includes Mr. Barnhill as a member. In addition, each of the four committees is chaired by an independent director.

TESSCO believes that there are a wide array of leadership structures that could apply to many different business models and, therefore, that every company should be afforded the opportunity to determine the ideal structure for its board leadership. Leadership structures may change over time to best suit the Company's current needs. Currently, our Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Barnhill, also serves as Chairman of the Board. The Board believes that the current Board leadership structure, coupled with a strong emphasis on Board independence, provides effective independent oversight of management while allowing both the Board and management to benefit from Mr. Barnhill's crucial leadership and years of experience in the Company's business. Serving as both Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer since 1993, Mr. Barnhill has been the director most capable of effectively identifying strategic priorities, leading critical discussion and executing the Company's strategy and business plans. Mr. Barnhill possesses detailed and in-depth knowledge of the issues, opportunities, and challenges facing the Company. The Company's independent directors bring experience, oversight and expertise from outside the Company, while the Chief Executive Officer brings company-specific experience and expertise. The Board of Directors believes that Mr. Barnhill's combined role promotes decisive leadership, ensures clear accountability, and enhances the Company's ability to communicate its message and strategy clearly and consistently to its stockholders, employees and customers. As further discussed in the "Employment Agreement/Payments upon Termination or Change of Control" section of this proxy statement, Mr. Barnhill's current employment agreement calls for his continued service as Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board until the end of fiscal 2016.

Beginning in fiscal year 2008, the Board established a Lead Director who is independent and is responsible for (1) assuring that the independent directors meet in executive sessions typically before and/or after each board meeting, (2) facilitating communications between other independent directors and the Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, and (3) consulting with the Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer on matters relating to corporate governance and Board performance. The Lead Director is elected by our independent directors, upon the recommendation of the Nominating and Governance Committee, and his term as Lead Director runs from one Annual Meeting of Shareholders to the next Annual Meeting of Shareholders. Mr. Beletic currently serves as our Lead Director, and it is anticipated that he will continue to serve in that role until the Annual Meeting in July 2015.

#### Meetings and Committees of the Board

The Board has an Audit Committee, a Compensation Committee, a Nominating and Governance Committee and a Risk and Strategy Committee. The membership during the last fiscal year and the function of each of the committees is described below. The Board met five (5) times during fiscal year 2014, and during that period no director attended fewer than 75% of the total number of meetings of the Board and Committees on which that director served. The Company does not have a policy on director attendance at Annual Meetings, but all of our directors are invited and encouraged to attend Annual Meetings. All of our directors were in attendance at the 2013 Annual Meeting.

#### Board Committee Membership

Director	Audit Committee	Compensation Committee	Nominating and Governance Committee	Risk and Strategy Committee
Jay G. Baitler	X	X		X
Robert B. Barnhill				X
John D. Beletic		X	X	X
Benn R. Konsynski	X		X	
Dennis J. Shaughnessy		X		X
Morton F. Zifferer	X	X	X	
Daniel Okrent			X	*

\*Mr. Okrent served as Chairman of the Nominating and Governance Committee until his retirement from the Board of Directors in July 2013.

#### Audit Committee

The Audit Committee is primarily concerned with the effectiveness of the auditing efforts by the Company's independent public accounting firm. The Audit Committee's duties include approving the selection of the independent registered public accounting firm, reviewing both the scope of audits conducted by them and the results of those audits, and reviewing the organization and scope of the Company's internal system of accounting and financial controls. The Audit Committee met five (5) times during fiscal year 2014. The Audit Committee also reviews and recommends to the Board updates to the Audit Committee charter, when it deems it appropriate. A copy of the Audit Committee charter is available for review on our Website ([www.tessco.com](http://www.tessco.com)), under the heading "Investors." The Board has determined that Mr. Zifferer is the Audit Committee financial expert as defined by applicable SEC rules and is "independent" with the meaning of the applicable NASDAQ Rules.

#### Compensation Committee

The Compensation Committee provides assistance to the members of the Board in fulfilling their responsibilities to the shareholders, potential shareholders and the investment community relating to compensation practices of the Company, including salary and other forms of compensation. The Compensation Committee's primary duties and responsibilities are to formulate and recommend compensation policies of the Company that will enable the Company to attract and retain high-quality leadership and that are consistent with the Company's established compensation philosophy. The Compensation Committee administers the Company's incentive compensation plans, including the Second Amended and Restated 1994 Stock and Incentive Plan. The Compensation Committee met five (5) times during fiscal year 2014. A copy of the Compensation Committee charter is available for review on our Website ([www.tessco.com](http://www.tessco.com)), under the heading "Investors." Mr. Beletic currently serves as Chairman of the Compensation Committee. The Compensation Committee has the authority to select, retain or obtain the advice of any compensation consultant, legal counsel or other advisor as it deems necessary to assist with its duties and responsibilities. The Company has not to date employed a compensation consultant or other advisor.

#### Nominating and Governance Committee

The Company has a Nominating and Governance Committee, the functions of which include making recommendations to the Board regarding matters and practices concerning the Board, its committees and individual directors; evaluating the current composition and governance structure of the Board and determining its future requirements; making recommendations concerning nominees for election to the Board; and appointing Directors to Board Committees and selecting Chairpersons of the Board Committees. The Nominating and Governance Committee met four (4) times during fiscal year 2014. The Nominating and Governance Committee performs other related functions and is governed by a charter, a copy of which is available for review on our Website ([www.tessco.com](http://www.tessco.com)), under the heading "Investors." Mr. Konsynski presently serves as Chairman of the Nominating and Governance Committee, replacing Mr. Okrent who had served in that role until his retirement from the Board of Directors in July 2013.

The Nominating and Governance Committee has determined, in its view, that the minimum qualifications for serving as a director of the Company are that a nominee demonstrate an ability to make a meaningful contribution to the Board's oversight of the business and affairs of the Company, and have an impeccable record of and reputation for honest and ethical conduct in both his or her professional and personal activities. The Committee also examines a candidate's specific experiences and skills, time availability, potential conflicts of interest and independence from management and the Company. While the Committee does not have a formal policy with respect to diversity, the Board believes that it is essential that the Board is comprised of members that have diverse backgrounds, skill sets, education and professional experience. The Board also follows the overall Company philosophy regarding maintaining an environment free from discrimination based upon race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, disability, sexual orientation, marital status or any unlawful factor. Candidates may be identified through various means, including recommendations of current directors and executive officers, by the retaining third-party consultants to assist in this process, and by considering director candidates recommended by shareholders. In considering candidates submitted by shareholders, the Committee will consider the needs of the Board and the qualifications of the candidate. The Committee may also consider other factors it determines to be relevant, such as the number of shares held by the recommending shareholder and the length of time that such shares have been held. For the Committee to consider a candidate, a shareholder must submit the recommendation in writing and must include the name of the shareholder and evidence of the person's ownership of Company stock, including the number of shares owned and the length of time of ownership, and the name of the candidate, the candidate's resume or a listing of his or her qualifications to be a director of the Company and the person's consent to be named as a director if selected and nominated. The shareholder recommendation and information must be sent to the Corporate Secretary at 11126 McCormick Road, Hunt Valley, Maryland 21031. Once a potential candidate has been identified, the Committee may collect and review information regarding the candidate to assess whether the person should be considered further. If the Committee determines that the candidate warrants further consideration, personal contact with the candidate may be made and further review of the candidate's accomplishments, qualifications and willingness to serve may be undertaken and compared to other candidates. The Committee's evaluation process does not vary based on whether or not a candidate is recommended by a shareholder, although, as stated above, the Board may take into consideration other factors, such as the number of shares held by the recommending shareholder and the length of time that such shares have been held.

#### Risk and Strategy Committee

The Board has a Risk and Strategy Committee, the primary duties and responsibilities of which includes working closely with executive management to assess risks to the business, and capital allocation and growth strategies. Mr. Shaughnessy currently serves as Chairman of the Risk and Strategy Committee. The Risk and Strategy Committee met three (3) times during fiscal year 2014. A copy of the Risk and Strategy Committee charter is available for review on our Website ([www.tessco.com](http://www.tessco.com)), under the heading "Investors."

#### Shareholder Communications with Directors

The Board recommends that shareholders initiate any communications with the Board in writing. Written communications may be directed to the Corporate Secretary. Shareholders can send communications by e-mail to [corporatesecretary@tessco.com](mailto:corporatesecretary@tessco.com), by fax to (410) 229-1669 or by mail to Corporate Secretary, TESSCO Technologies Incorporated, 11126 McCormick Road, Hunt Valley, Maryland 21031. This centralized process will assist the Board in reviewing and responding to shareholder communications in an appropriate manner. The name of any specific intended Board recipient should be noted in the communication. The Board has instructed the Corporate Secretary to forward such correspondence only to the intended recipients; however, the Board has also instructed the Corporate Secretary, prior to forwarding any correspondence, to review such correspondence and, in his discretion, not to forward certain items if they are deemed of a commercial or frivolous nature or otherwise inappropriate for the Board's consideration. In such cases, some of that correspondence may be forwarded elsewhere in the Company for review and possible response.



## Board's Role in Risk Oversight

The Board oversees the business of the Company, including CEO and senior management performance and risk management, in an effort to assure that the long-term interests of the shareholders are being served. Each committee of the Board is also responsible for reviewing Company risk exposure in the area of the committee's responsibility and providing input to management on such risks.

Our management and Board have a process to identify, analyze, manage and report all significant risks to the Company. Our CEO and other senior managers regularly report to the Board on significant risks facing the Company, including financial, operational, competitive, legal, regulatory and strategic risks. Each of the Board committees reviews with management significant risks related to the committee's area of responsibility and reports to the Board on such risks. The independent Board members also discuss material risks when they meet in executive session without management.

## Director Compensation for Fiscal Year 2014

The current compensation program for non-management directors is designed to achieve the following goals: fairly pay directors for work required for a company of our size; align directors' interests with the long-term interests of shareholders; and structure compensation in a simple and transparent format, which is easy for shareholders to understand.

In consideration for services on the Board, each non-employee director of the Company is paid \$25,000 per fiscal year and the Lead Director of the Company is paid \$35,000 per fiscal year. In addition, each non-employee director of the Company, including the Lead Director, is paid \$2,500 for each meeting of the Board and \$1,000 for each meeting of a Committee of the Board that he or she attends. The director compensation table below does not include reimbursements for reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with attendance at Board or Committee meetings. Non-management directors are also eligible to receive Performance Stock Units, or "PSUs", Restricted Stock Units, or "RSUs", or other equity based awards as determined by the Compensation Committee, as described under the heading "Compensation Discussion and Analysis."

The following table summarizes the compensation awarded to, earned by, or paid to the Company's non-management directors during fiscal year 2014:

## DIRECTOR COMPENSATION

Name	Fees Earned or Paid in Cash (\$)	Stock Awards (\$) <sup>(1)</sup>	Option Awards (\$)	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation (\$)	Change in Pension Value (\$)	All Other Compensation (\$)	Total (\$)
Jay G. Baitler	48,000	58,749	--	--	--	--	106,749
John D. Beletic	57,000	58,749	--	--	--	--	115,749
Benn R. Konsynski	44,000	58,749	--	--	--	--	102,749
Daniel Okrent	30,350	--	--	--	--	--	30,350
Dennis J. Shaughnessy	43,000	58,749	--	--	--	--	101,749
Morton F. Zifferer	49,000	58,749	--	--	--	--	107,749

(1) This column represents the number of RSUs granted, multiplied by the grant date fair value (calculated as the closing price of TESSCO common stock as reported by NASDAQ on the date of grant minus the present value of dividends expected to be paid on the common stock before the RSU vests, because dividends or dividend-equivalent amounts do not accrue and are not paid on unvested RSUs), which was \$19.58 per share.

These shares have vested or will vest ratably on or about May 1 of 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017, assuming that each director remains affiliated with the Company on those dates, and subject to accelerated vesting upon a change in control, election results or termination of service to the Company under certain circumstances. For a discussion of the assumptions made in the valuation of these awards, see Note 13 to the audited consolidated financial statements in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10 K for the fiscal year ended March 30, 2014.

## Proposal No. 2 - RATIFICATION OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Audit Committee of the Board of Directors has selected the firm of Ernst & Young LLP to serve as our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending March 29, 2015, and the Company seeks ratification of such appointment by the shareholders. Ernst & Young LLP has audited our financial statements commencing with the fiscal year ended March 30, 2003. Representatives of Ernst & Young LLP are expected to be present at the Annual Meeting and will have the opportunity to make a statement if they desire to do so, and be available to respond to appropriate questions.

Shareholder ratification of Ernst & Young LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm is not required by our By-laws or otherwise. However, the Board of Directors is submitting the selection of Ernst & Young LLP to the shareholders for ratification as a matter of good corporate practice. If the shareholders fail to approve the selection, the Audit Committee and the Board will reconsider whether or not to retain that firm. Even if the selection is ratified, the Audit Committee in its discretion may direct the appointment of a different independent registered public accounting firm at any time during the year if they determine that such a change would be in the best interest of our shareholders.

## PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT FEES AND SERVICES

The following table shows the fees paid or accrued by the Company for the audit and other services provided by Ernst & Young LLP for fiscal years 2014 and 2013:

	2014	2013
Audit Fees (1)	\$490,750	\$469,420
Audit-Related Fees	--	--
Tax Fees	--	--
All other fees (2)	25,000	--
Total	\$515,750	\$469,420

Audit services of Ernst & Young LLP for fiscal years 2014 and 2013 consisted of the audit of the consolidated (1) financial statements of the Company, quarterly reviews of financial statements and advisory services on technical issues related to the audit.

(2) Audit-committee approved non-audit services of Ernst & Young LLP for fiscal year 2014 consisted of advisory work in relation to the Company's Conflict Mineral reporting requirements.

Pursuant to the Company's Audit Committee Charter, all audit services and permitted non-audit services to be performed for the Company by its independent registered public accounting firm are pre-approved by the Audit Committee. The Committee has delegated authority to one or more members to pre-approve audit and permitted non-audit services (including pre-approval of fees), provided that the approvals granted by such persons are reviewed with the full Audit Committee at its next scheduled meeting. All fees incurred in fiscal years 2014 and 2013 and reflected in the table above were pre-approved.

The Board of Directors recommends a vote "FOR" the ratification of the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal year 2015.



## SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT

The following table sets forth information regarding the beneficial ownership of common stock of the Company, as of June 4, 2014 by (i) all shareholders known by the Company to beneficially own more than five percent of our common stock, (ii) each of our current directors (iii) our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer serving during fiscal year 2014 and our other three most highly compensated executive officers at fiscal year-end 2014 (the “named executive officers”), and (iv) all directors and named executive officers as a group. Percentage of beneficial ownership is based on 8,330,414 shares of common stock outstanding on June 4, 2014.

Name of Beneficial Owner	Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership	Percent of Class
Directors and Named Executive Officers(1):		
Robert B. Barnhill, Jr. (2)	1,880,220	22.6%
Jay G. Baitler	7,583	*
John D. Beletic	51,473	*
Benn R. Konsynski, Ph.D.	133,013	1.6 %
Dennis J. Shaughnessy	16,805	*
Morton F. Zifferer, Jr.	74,540	*
Gerald T. Garland	21,039	*
Douglas A. Rein	52,303	*
Said Tofighi	16,710	*
Aric Spitulnik	13,858	*
All Directors and Executive Officers as a group (10 persons)	2,267,544	27.2%
Five Percent Shareholders:		
RBC Global Asset Management (3)	946,686	11.4%
Royce & Associates (4)	897,574	10.8%
Fidelity Management & Research Company (5)	525,000	6.3 %
Dimensional Fund Advisors (6)	425,841	5.1 %

\* Less than 1% of the outstanding common stock.

Unless otherwise noted, each person exercises sole (or shares with a spouse or other immediate family member) (1) voting and dispositive power as to the shares reported. Address for all Directors and Named Executive Officers is c/o TESSCO Technologies, Incorporated, 11126 McCormick Road, Hunt Valley, Maryland 21031.

Includes 325,500 shares held by Mr. Barnhill’s spouse and children and 21,500 shares held by a private charitable foundation of which Mr. Barnhill and his spouse are the sole directors. Mr. Barnhill disclaims beneficial ownership (2) over the shares held by the foundation. Mr. Barnhill’s address is 11126 McCormick Road, Hunt Valley, Maryland 21031.

Derived from Schedule 13G filed by RBC Global Asset Management Inc. as of December 31, 2013 on February (3) 10, 2014. RBC’s address is 100 South Fifth Street, Suite 2300, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402.

Derived from Schedule 13G filed by Royce & Associates, LLC as of January 31, 2014 on February 5, 2014. (4) Royce’s address is 745 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10151.

Derived from Schedule 13G filed by Fidelity Management & Research Company as of December 31, 2013 on (5) February 13, 2014. Fidelity’s address is 245 Summer Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02210.

(6) Derived from Schedule 13G filed by Dimensional Fund Advisors LP as of December 31, 2013 on February 10, 2014. Dimensional's address is Palisades West, Building One, 3600 Bee Cave Road, Austin, Texas 78746.

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## EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

### REPORT OF THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE

The Compensation Committee, which is composed solely of independent directors of the Board of Directors, assists the Board in fulfilling its responsibilities with regard to compensation matters, and is responsible under its charter for determining the compensation of TESSCO's executive officers. The Compensation Committee has reviewed and discussed the "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" section of this proxy statement with management, including our Chief Executive Officer, Robert B. Barnhill, Jr. Based on this review and discussion, the Compensation Committee recommended to the Board of Directors that the "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" section be included in TESSCO's 2014 Annual Report on Form 10-K (incorporated by reference) and in this proxy statement.

Compensation Committee  
John D. Beletic, Chairman  
Jay G. Baitler  
Dennis J. Shaughnessy  
Morton F. Zifferer

### COMPENSATION DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The Compensation Committee (the "Committee") of our Board of Directors (the "Board"), which is comprised entirely of independent directors, oversees our executive compensation program and determines all compensation for our executive officers. From time to time, the Committee requests recommendations from our Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") regarding the amounts, types and structure of our executive compensation. This section of the proxy statement focuses on the compensation program for our CEO, Chief Financial Officer ("CFO") and three other most highly compensated executive officers, whom we refer to collectively as our "named executive officers", or "NEOs". Our NEOs for purposes of this Compensation Discussion and Analysis are:

2014 NEOs	Positions as of March 30, 2014
Robert B. Barnhill, Jr.	President and Chief Executive Officer
Aric Spitulnik	Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
Douglas A. Rein	Senior Vice President
Gerald T. Garland	Senior Vice President
Said Tofighi	Senior Vice President

Mr. Spitulnik was appointed the Company's Chief Financial Officer on October 23, 2013.

TESSCO operates in the extremely competitive and rapidly changing wireless communication product and service industry. The Committee believes that compensation programs for our NEOs should and do align the financial interests of the NEOs with those of our shareholders. The programs are designed to attract, motivate and retain talented executives for our long-term success.

Our current executive compensation programs established by the Committee are heavily weighted to incentive compensation that is "at risk". The broad objectives of the programs are to:

- Enable us to attract, retain and motivate executives who can significantly contribute to our short-term and long-term success, and to develop the overall talent of TESSCO;
- Reward executives for the achievement of specific and overall business objectives;
- Target compensation to be competitive with the organizations with which we compete for talent;
- Encourage and reward both profitable growth and operating efficiency;
- To the extent equitable and practical, deliver compensation in a tax efficient and cost effective manner;
- Provide a rational and consistent compensation system that is well communicated and understood by the participants;
- Tie a significant portion of compensation to the accomplishment of strategic goals and the creation of long-term shareholder value; and
- Provide motivational programs that focus not only on compensation, but also leadership development and personal growth opportunities.

#### Executive Summary

During fiscal year 2014, revenues totaled \$560.1 million, a 26% decrease from the prior year and gross profits totaled \$138.2 million, a 6% decrease. This decrease in revenue and gross profit is due to the completed transition of our major third party logistics (3PL) relationship with AT&T Mobility (AT&T), previously our largest customer. Excluding this relationship, revenues and gross profits grew 4% and 5%, respectively, over fiscal year 2013. Selling, general and administrative expenses declined 5% and earnings per share declined 10% over the prior year, totaling \$1.94. Our strong financial performance in fiscal 2014, notwithstanding the transition of AT&T during fiscal year 2013, has allowed us to increase the return of cash to shareowners through dividends. During fiscal year 2014, we increased the total amount of quarterly dividends paid from \$0.18 per quarter to \$0.20 per quarter. Our executive compensation program generally includes three elements that, taken together, we believe allow us to achieve the best alignment of Company growth, long-term shareowner value and team member retention. These elements are:

- Base salary
- Performance-based incentive programs, consisting of
  - o annual cash bonus based on Company performance (called “ValueShare”)
  - o annual equity awards that, if earned, vest over a four-year period.

We strongly believe that our executives are properly motivated by appropriate base salaries and our pay for performance programs.

Components of NEO Compensation

The Company makes use of the following components for NEO compensation, which are established by the Company and approved by the Committee:

Component	Purpose	Relationship to Performance	Fixed or Performance Based	Short or Long Term
Base Salary	Is market-competitive and provides an appropriate level of fixed compensation to attract and retain executives.	Pre-set amount subject to adjustment based on individual performance.	Fixed	Short-Term
Performance-based Annual Cash Bonuses (ValueShare)	Encourages annual results that create shareholder value.	Linked to actual achievement of predetermined Company objectives.	Performance Based	Short-Term
Performance Stock Award Program	Encourages annual results that create shareholder value and provides retention incentive.	Linked to actual achievement of predetermined Company objectives. Shares, if earned, vest over a four year period.	Performance Based	Long-Term
Retirement and other benefits	Provides retention incentive and varying levels of nonperformance-based compensation.	NEO's participate in the Company's broad-based health and welfare, life insurance, disability and retirement programs and 401(k) Plan and Team Member Stock Purchase Plan, which are open to all of our employees. In addition, Mr. Barnhill, the Company's founder, Chairman and CEO, has additional retirement benefits as defined in his employment agreement.	Fixed	Long-Term

Design

The Committee believes that a major portion of the NEO compensation should be at risk and subject to the financial performance of the Company. The only guaranteed forms of NEO compensation are base salaries and the benefit programs (most of which are generally available to all management employees). The remainder of the compensation must be earned through the attainment of predetermined individual or company financial performance objectives, established and approved by the Committee. Compensation programs are designed within a framework based on the achievement of pre-established financial targets and alignment of the financial interest of our NEOs with those of our shareholders by providing appropriate near- and long-term financial incentives that reward executives for achieving objectives designed to enhance shareholder value.

Reward Metrics

The predominant percentage of NEO compensation is at risk and performance-based. This performance-based compensation requires the achievement of specific performance targets intended to drive shareholder value over the long-term in order for the compensation to be paid. NEO compensation is designed to reward achievement of targeted financial results and individual performance. Our performance metrics are based on financial metrics. These performance metrics are regularly used by our management internally to understand, manage and evaluate our business and make operating decisions. The following table defines each performance metric used as an executive incentive measure, and states why the metric was selected and the compensation programs which use that metric.

Metric	Definition	Why Selected	Pay Program
Earnings Per Share ("EPS")	Earnings per share is calculated using the two-class method, under which earnings per common share are computed by dividing the sum of the distributed earnings to common shareholders and undistributed earnings allocated to common shareholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period. In applying the two-class method, undistributed earnings are allocated to both common shares and participating securities based on the weighted average shares outstanding during the period.	EPS is widely used by investors and analysts as a measure to evaluate a company's performance.	Performance-based Annual ValueShare Performance Stock Award Program
Individual Performance Factor	Generally, a subjective assessment of the executive's collaboration and ability to deliver bottom-line results.	This measure assesses alignment and accountability while adding an element of subjectivity and discretion.	Performance-based Annual ValueShare Performance Stock Award Program

How Compensation is Determined

Opportunity for Shareholder Feedback. The Compensation Committee considered feedback from our shareholders regarding our executive compensation program. The advisory vote on our overall executive compensation policies and procedures instituted in 2012 provides shareholders with an opportunity to communicate their views on our executive compensation program on a regular basis.

At our 2012 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, our shareholders voted to approve, on an advisory (non-binding) basis, the compensation paid to the Company's named executive officers for fiscal 2012. We have considered this "2012 say-on-pay vote" and we believe that strong support from our shareholders for the 2012 say-on-pay vote proposal indicates that our shareholders are supportive of our approach to executive compensation. Thus, we have not made any material changes to our executive compensation arrangements in response to the 2012 say-on-pay vote. At our 2012 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, our shareholders also voted in favor of the proposal to hold say-on-pay votes every third year. Accordingly, the next shareholder advisory (non-binding) vote on executive compensation will be held at the 2015 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. The next required shareholder advisory (non-binding) vote regarding the frequency interval will be held at the 2018 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, or at an earlier date as determined at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

**Base Salary.** Base salary is the fixed component of the NEO's annual cash compensation and is set with the goal of attracting talented executives and adequately compensating and rewarding them for services rendered during the fiscal year. The Compensation Committee periodically reviews base salaries for our NEOs on its own initiative and at the recommendation of the Chief Executive Officer. In reviewing base salaries, the Compensation Committee considers each NEO's level of responsibility, the size and complexity of their business unit, changes in duties and responsibilities, the business and financial results, the relationship among base salaries paid to others within TESSCO, and knowledge of base salaries paid by peers to comparable executives.

Mr. Barnhill's base salary has been set by contract and cannot be reduced. No other NEO has a base salary set by contract.

During fiscal 2014, no NEO's salary, except for Mr. Spitulnik's, was increased. Prior to fiscal 2014, all NEO's base salaries were last increased in fiscal year 2013. Upon his appointment as CFO, Mr. Spitulnik's salary was set at \$225,000.

Actual salaries paid to each NEO for our 2014 fiscal year are set forth in the Summary Compensation Table" under the heading, "Salary".

**Performance-Based Annual Cash Bonus ("ValueShare").** ValueShare earning opportunities for each individual are expressed as a percentage of the actual base salary paid to the NEO during the fiscal year, and are determined by the Committee. The percentages are determined by the Committee based upon the NEO's job level and responsibilities and may vary for different officers or business units.

Early in each fiscal year, the Committee establishes specific performance objectives for the payment of ValueShare for that year. The performance objectives for each year are aligned with TESSCO's growth and diversification strategies and have included: earnings per share, non-concentrated net profit contribution, unit/segment results, customer growth, productivity measurements (i.e. net income as a percentage of revenues) and returns (i.e. return on assets). For fiscal 2014, all performance objectives were annual targets, but in past years there has been a mix of quarterly and annual targets. When establishing performance goals for a given period, the Committee reviews and discusses TESSCO's business and financial plans for that year and key underlying assumptions, expectations under then-existing and anticipated market conditions, and the opportunity to generate shareholder value. Based on these and other factors, the Committee establishes the performance targets for purposes of ValueShare.

Generally, following the close of each fiscal year (or other measurement period when applicable), the Committee determines whether the performance objectives for the period have been achieved and evaluates and then rates the individual performance of each of the NEOs for purposes of ValueShare. This individual rating may increase or decrease the final ValueShare amount for an NEO. The Committee evaluates each NEO's leadership skills and contribution by considering a variety of factors, including collaboration within the organization and the individual's ability to drive bottom-line results.

Actual cash bonus payments for 2014 fiscal year are set forth in the Summary Compensation Table for 2014 Fiscal Year under the heading "Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation."

Performance Stock Award Program and other Equity Incentives. TESSCO's Performance Stock Award Program is designed to reward the achievement of business objectives that benefit stockholders, and to help retain a successful and tenured management team. The Committee believes that providing equity based rewards to senior leaders and key contributors who are responsible for developing and executing TESSCO's growth strategies is in the best interests of all shareholders. Beginning in fiscal year 2005, the Committee determined that moving equity based compensation away from stock options to performance-based and time-vested stock grants is generally more aligned with long-term shareholder interests. The Committee has not granted stock options since May 2003 and no options were outstanding at the end of fiscal year 2014. The Company has granted Performance Stock Units (PSUs) to its NEOs and other key contributors in each fiscal year beginning in fiscal year 2005. In August 2006, the Committee also made a restricted stock grant to our Chief Executive Officer in connection with his then new employment agreement, as discussed further below.

Similar to ValueShare, the Committee establishes specific performance objectives for the earning of shares under PSU awards. While those goals need not be the same as those established for ValueShare, they are generally established on the basis of the same criteria and after similar consideration. However, the sole company performance metric for PSUs granted to date has been annual earnings per share, with the Committee typically establishing "threshold" and "target" earnings per share thresholds for each measurement year. No shares are earned if the "threshold" is not met, and a maximum number of shares are earned if the "target" threshold is met, all consistent with the desire of the Committee to incent the executive officers to increase earnings per share for the benefit of all shareholders. As with ValueShare, each executive officer's performance is evaluated and rated by the Committee, and this rating may increase or decrease the final number of shares earned, but in no circumstances can the number of shares earned exceed the number of PSUs granted.

Due to the inherent difficulties in predicting earnings per share performance over a period longer than one year, PSUs have typically been granted with one year measurement periods, with any shares earned on the basis of performance during that period vesting over a four-year period, provided that the executive remains employed by the Company at the respective vesting dates. The Committee believes this appropriately rewards the executive for company performance and presents a retention incentive.

Similar to ValueShare, following the close of each fiscal year, the Compensation Committee determines whether and to what extent the performance thresholds have been met for PSU purposes. When considering whether earnings per share performance thresholds have been met, the Committee considers the impact of these awards and payments under ValueShare.



The Compensation Committee believes that our PSU program is working to align the efforts of recipients toward increasing earnings and maximizing shareholder value, and rewarding recipients only upon achievement of pre-defined performance goals. The Compensation Committee endeavors to set the performance goals in alignment with shareholder interests and believes generally that the full earning of annual PSU grants should be contingent on not only growing the Company's business, but also on producing superior results. We believe the fact that just over half of the PSUs granted since the inception of the PSU program in the aggregate were earned is clear testimony to this view – see table below.

Fiscal Year	PSUs Granted	PSUs Earned	PSUs Not earned	% of PSUs Earned
2014	112,000	56,021	55,979	50%
2013	156,200	107,573	48,627	69%
2012	260,000	250,200	9,800	96%
2011	274,500	127,379	147,121	46%
2010	396,000	385,500	10,500	97%
2009	412,500	283,680	128,820	69%
2008	282,000	--	282,000	0%
2007	342,000	327,807	14,193	96%
2006	372,292	127,680	244,612	34%
2005	1,403,439	413,632	989,807	29%
Total/Average	4,010,931	2,079,472	1,931,459	52%

Following is a summary of the threshold, target and actual earnings per share amounts associated with the grant of PSU awards for each of the previous nine years, and the threshold and target earnings per share levels used for the PSUs granted to the NEOs and other key members of management in May 2014 (for the fiscal year 2015 measurement period). In each year, with the exception of fiscal 2014, the PSU target required to earn all PSU's granted has been set at a higher level than the previous year actual EPS. For FY14, the targets remained the same as fiscal 2013, despite the transition of \$213 million of revenue associated with the AT&T 3PL program.

Fiscal Year	PSU Threshold	PSU Target	Actual EPS
2015	\$ 2.06	\$ 2.33	n/a
2014	1.80	2.30	1.94
2013	1.80	2.30	2.15
2012	0.85	1.50	2.03
2011	1.27	1.50	1.27
2010	0.67	0.93	1.19
2009	0.73	1.15	0.82
2008	0.83	1.03	0.58
2007	0.44	0.55	0.77
2006	0.53	0.67	0.53

In addition to PSUs, the Company has utilized restricted stock awards from time-to-time as additional compensation for certain key executives. During fiscal year 2007, the Company made a restricted stock award for 225,000 shares to Mr. Barnhill, the restrictions under which lapse ratably over a period of ten fiscal years following the grant assuming that Mr. Barnhill remains affiliated with the Company, or earlier upon a change in control or in certain other specified circumstances. As of March 30, 2014, the restrictions had lapsed in respect of 180,000 shares covered by the restricted stock award, leaving 45,000 shares still subject to risk of forfeiture.

**Retirement and Other Benefits.** The key retirement and other benefits provided to TESSCO's NEOs, where applicable, are described below.

**Executive Life and Long-term Care Insurance.** NEOs, excluding Mr. Barnhill, are provided life insurance benefits with coverage of \$500,000, including the option to accelerate up to 100% of this death benefit to be used for long-term care expenses. Mr. Barnhill is paid certain amounts in lieu of life insurance (see the Summary Compensation Table for 2014 Fiscal Year for more information). Mr. Barnhill also is eligible to receive up to \$500,000 in long-term care expenses.

**Supplemental Long-Term Disability.** If an NEO should become disabled and unable to work for a period lasting more than 90 days, this benefit will provide an additional level of income not covered by our group long-term disability plan. The group long-term disability plan provides coverage for up to two-thirds of salary and bonus, up to a maximum base salary of \$144,000. See the "Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change in Control" section below for details on each executive's current disability coverage.

**Excess Liability Insurance.** NEOs are provided with excess liability coverage of up to \$20,000,000 for Mr. Barnhill and up to \$10,000,000 for each of the remaining NEOs.

**Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan (SERP).** Mr. Barnhill has been provided a supplemental executive retirement plan, that will provide Mr. Barnhill (and his spouse if so elected) with up to a \$75,000 annual pension benefit payable upon his retirement or termination of employment for reasons other than cause (as defined in his employment agreement).

**401(k) Plan and Team Member Stock Purchase Plan.** NEOs are also eligible to participate in our 401(k) and Team Member Stock Purchase Plan, which are both open to all employees.

Executive Perquisites. The Compensation Committee believes that it has taken a conservative approach to perquisites. Mr. Barnhill is provided with golf and social club memberships, used primarily for corporate development and business generation purposes. See the “Summary Compensation Table” for an itemized disclosure of perquisites for Mr. Barnhill. Each of the other named executive officers were the beneficiaries of minor perquisites in fiscal year 2014, which totaled less than \$10,000 for each. The Committee has considered these perquisites and has determined them to be reasonable and appropriate.

#### Fiscal 2014 Compensation

This section provides an explanation and analysis of the decision-making behind the compensation provided to NEOs for 2014.

Base Salary. No continuing NEO received an increase in base salary during fiscal 2014. Prior to fiscal 2014, Messrs. Barnhill, Garland, Rein and Tofighi’s base salary were last increased in fiscal year 2013. The Committee believes that their salaries are consistent with the Committee’s philosophy of heavily weighting total NEO compensation toward “at-risk” incentive compensation. Mr. Spitulnik received an increase in base salary to \$225,000 upon his appointment as Chief Financial Officer.

Performance-based Annual Cash Bonuses, or “ValueShare”. At the beginning of the fiscal year, the Committee established various annual performance targets for the purposes of ValueShare. ValueShare earning opportunities for each individual are expressed as a percentage of the actual base salary paid to the NEO during the fiscal year, and are determined by the Committee. The ValueShare earning opportunity for fiscal 2014 was, and for fiscal 2015 is, 100% for Mr. Barnhill and 65% for Messrs. Garland, Rein, Tofighi, and Spitulnik.

In fiscal 2014, ValueShare was based on an earnings per share annual performance target. The Compensation Committee also determined that it was appropriate to adjust the earnings per share component by the factors listed below to drive growth in our customer base and to further incent operating margin improvement. A portion of the component, if achieved, is multiplied by a factor of between 80% and 120%. The adjustment factors are:

- a) Average Monthly Buyers – applied to 30% of each NEO’s opportunity.
- b) Average Monthly Product Business Unit Buyers – applied to 40% of each NEO’s opportunity
- c) Margin (defined as earnings before taxes and cash and equity bonus expense) – applied to 30% of NEO’s opportunity

Finally, each NEO’s individual performance is subjectively assessed by the Committee, with input from the CEO, where applicable, and assigned an individual performance factor between 0% and 125%. The individual performance factor is then multiplied by the output of the previously described components. Fiscal year 2014 performance was not as strong compared to prior years or compared to the targets established by the Committee at the beginning of the year. As a result, the fiscal 2014 ValueShare amounts earned by the NEOs were approximately 30% of the target for each NEO.

Performance Stock Award Program and Other Equity Incentives. For fiscal year 2014, the Committee decided to continue the practice of granting the NEOs annual long-term incentive awards, called Performance Stock Units or “PSUs”. The Committee began the practice of issuing PSUs in fiscal 2005, when it moved away from granting stock options, and has granted PSUs in every year since. Similar to ValueShare, the Committee established specific 2014 performance objectives for the earning of shares pursuant to the PSUs. The 2014 threshold and target earnings per share targets were set at \$1.80 and \$2.30, respectively (fiscal year 2013 earnings per share were \$2.15). Shares earned under PSU awards can be factored up (to 125%) or down (to 0%) based on the individual performance factor for each executive, but in no circumstances can the number of shares earned under each PSU award be greater than the amount of PSUs granted pursuant to the award. For PSU’s granted in early fiscal year 2014, 50% were earned following the close of fiscal 2014 based on fiscal year 2014 results (since the inception of the Performance Stock Award plan in fiscal 2005 and including fiscal 2014, on average 52% of annual PSU awards are earned – see table above under the heading “Performance Stock Award Program and other Equity Incentives”). Once earned based on performance, the shares vest ratably in four installments, commencing on or about May 1 following the close of the measurement year and continuing on or about May 1 of the next three years provided the participant remains employed by or affiliated with the Company on these dates, but subject to acceleration upon the occurrence of certain events. Hence, the PSU awards also encourage continued employment with the Company. The committee believes that Performance Stock Awards in the form of PSUs are the most effective way to attract and retain a talented executive team and align executives’ interests with those of shareholders.

Retirement and other Benefits. The Compensation Committee has determined that providing retirement, severance and other benefits is necessary to remain competitive and to further the goals of the Committee in attracting, retaining and motivating executives who can significantly contribute to our short-term and long-term success, and to develop the overall talent of the Company. The NEOs are also eligible to participate in the same medical, dental and similar welfare benefit programs that are available to our other employees.

#### Internal Revenue Code Section 162 (m) Policy

The Committee considers the anticipated tax treatment to TESSCO and to the NEOs when reviewing the executive compensation and other compensation programs. While the tax impact of any compensation arrangement is one factor to be considered, such impact is evaluated in light of the Committee’s overall compensation philosophy and objectives. The Committee will consider ways to maximize the deductibility of executive compensation, while retaining the discretion it deems necessary to compensate officers in a manner commensurate with performance and the competitive environment for executive talent. In addition, the Committee reserves the right to use its judgment to award compensation to the NEOs, that may be subject to the deduction limit when the Committee believes that such compensation is appropriate, consistent with the Committee’s philosophy and in TESSCO’s and TESSCO’s shareholder’s best interest.

The Committee generally seeks to structure performance-based compensation in a manner that is intended to avoid the disallowance of deductions under Code Section 162(m). It is believed that both the short-term and long-term incentive compensation awarded by the Company is fully deductible as performance-based compensation. Nevertheless, there can be no assurance that our performance-based compensation will be treated as qualified performance-based compensation under Code Section 162(m).

The compensation that we pay to the NEOs is expensed in our financial statements as required by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. As one of many factors, the Compensation Committee considers the financial statement impact in determining the amount of, and allocation among the elements of, compensation.

### Risk Considerations

The Compensation and Audit Committees periodically consider the risks associated with the structure of the Company's executive compensation plans. The Committees regularly review the various compensation programs, identify plan design features that could potentially encourage imprudent risk taking for short-term gain, and assess the presence or absence of controls that mitigate potential risks. The Committees believe that the Company's overall control environment is strong and that executive compensation programs have a number of risk mitigation factors, including:

- All incentive compensation programs (cash and equity) are entirely based on the achievement of corporate-wide strategic and financial performance objectives;

- A significant portion of executive compensation is comprised of equity awards that vest over an extended period, usually four years;

- No stock options are outstanding, no stock options have been granted since 2003 and we currently have no intention of granting stock options in the future; Instead, our equity awards are mostly in the form of performance-based stock units, and restricted stock units, to a lesser extent.

Based on this review, the Committees, with the concurrence of the full Board of Directors, believe that the risks associated with the Company's compensation policies and practices are not reasonably likely to result in a material adverse effect on the Company.

### Stock Plan

The Company's Second Amended and Restated 1994 Stock and Incentive Plan, or the 1994 Plan, is currently the sole equity compensation plan under which we make grants and awards. All PSU awards have been made under the 1994 Plan. The Committee and the Board believe that the ability to offer equity compensation incentives to eligible participants in the 1994 Plan, and particularly to our current and prospective senior management, is of paramount importance to our long-term success. The 1994 Plan, as currently in effect, provides for the grant or award to regular full-time employees (including officers) and non-employee directors of stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, restricted stock units and other performance awards, which may be denominated in shares of common stock or other securities of the Company.

The maximum number of shares of common stock issued or issuable at any time pursuant to awards granted under the 1994 Plan is 3,553,125, subject to further adjustment from time to time to reflect future stock splits and other similar events. As of June 4, 2014, there were 410,068 shares of common stock available for future awards under the 1994 Plan. The shares of common stock underlying any awards granted under the 1994 Plan that either expire or are terminated or cancelled for any reason, without the issuance of the shares or payment in accordance with the terms of the corresponding award agreement, are returned to the pool of shares available for future awards under the 1994 Plan.

In addition, the Company maintains the Team Member Stock Purchase Plan. This plan permits eligible employees to purchase up to an aggregate of 450,000 shares of the Company's common stock at 85% of the lower of the market price on the first day of a six-month period and the market price on the last day of that same six-month period. During fiscal year 2014, an aggregate of 9,603 shares were sold to employees under this plan. The number of shares of common stock available under this plan as of June 4, 2014 was 246,269.

### Equity Compensation Plan Information

The following table sets forth information as of March 30, 2014, the last day of the Company's fiscal year 2014, with respect to the Second Amended and Restated 1994 Stock and Incentive Plan, Team Member Stock Purchase Plan, and options granted pursuant to other compensation arrangements.

Plan Category	Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights	Weighted-average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants and rights	Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in column (a))
	(a)	(b)	(c)
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders	405,702	(1) n/a	(2) 707,358

(1) Includes the non-vested portion of the restricted stock grant made to Mr. Barnhill (45,000 shares), the non-vested portion of the restricted stock units, or RSUs, made to various non-executive employees and non-employee directors (43,575 shares), and an aggregate of 317,127 shares of common stock subject to issuance pursuant to performance stock units, or PSUs, in each case granted pursuant to the 1994 Plan. Of the 317,127 shares subject to issuance pursuant to PSUs, 267,148 shares have been earned and will be issued ratably over the remaining term of the corresponding PSU, on or about May 1, 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017, as applicable, in each case provided that the respective participants remain employed by or associated with the Company on each of these issue dates, subject however, to accelerated vesting upon a change in control or termination of service under certain circumstances. The remaining 49,979 shares were not earned on the basis of fiscal year 2014 performance and were cancelled in May 2014. This amount does not reflect additional PSUs issued on May 8, 2014, after our fiscal year-end 2014, which provide the executive officers and certain other employees with the opportunity to earn up to an aggregate of 91,000 additional shares of common stock on the basis of fiscal year 2015 Company and individual performance. These PSUs, if earned on the basis of fiscal 2015 performance, will vest ratably in four installments, commencing on or about May 1 following the close of the measurement year and continuing on or about May 1 of the next three years provided that the respective employees remain employed by the Company (or meet other criteria as prescribed in the applicable award agreement). This amount also does not include an additional 10,000 RSUs (also issued on May 8, 2014) which provide non-employee directors with the opportunity to have issued to them at a later date, upon vesting, up to an aggregate of 10,000 shares of the Company's common stock over a four year period, provided that the respective participants remain associated with the Company (or meets other criteria as prescribed in the applicable award agreement).

(2) Does not reflect any impact for shares issuable pursuant to PSUs, RSUs or restricted stock, as these instruments do not include an exercise price.

(3)

Includes 246,269 shares of common stock available for purchase under the Team Member Stock Purchase Plan and 461,089 shares remaining available for issuance pursuant to future awards under the 1994 Plan. This amount does not reflect the 91,000 PSUs or the 10,000 RSUs issued on May 8, 2014, after our fiscal year-end 2014, as described in footnote (1) above. This amount also does not reflect the 49,979 PSUs that were cancelled in May 2014 and subsequently added back to the number of shares available for future award under the 1994 Plan.

## Summary Compensation Table

The following table summarizes the compensation awarded to, earned by, or paid to the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer during fiscal years 2014, 2013, and 2012, and the Company's other three most highly compensated executive officers at each fiscal year end (the "named executive officers"). All equity awards made in fiscal year 2014 were "at risk" at the time of award, meaning that the underlying shares could be earned only to the extent that the Company achieved certain financial targets in fiscal 2014. Historically, over the last nine fiscal years, 52% of the at-risk equity awards made by the Company have been earned.

<u>Name and Principal Position</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Salary (\$)</u>	<u>Stock Awards (1)</u>	<u>Non-Equity Incentive</u>		<u>Change in Pension Value (\$)</u>		<u>All Other Compensation</u>		<u>Total (18)</u>
				<u>Option Plan Awards (2)</u>	<u>Compensation (\$)(3)</u>					
Robert B. Barnhill Jr., Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer	2014	\$660,000	\$274,120	\$ --	\$ 200,640	\$(161,056)	(4)	\$ 198,572	(5)	\$1,171,246
	2013	643,846	279,850	--	598,093	71,295	(4)	266,558	(6)	1,859,647
	2012	600,000	257,400	--	976,988	146,766	(4)	190,168	(7)	2,171,322
Gerald T. Garland, Senior Vice President, Product Lines of Business	2014	330,000	234,960	--	63,492	--		24,755	(8)	653,207
	2013	321,923	260,550	--	194,380	--		25,895	(9)	802,748
	2012	300,000	237,600	--	317,521	--		28,681	(10)	883,802