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Notice of 2011 Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held at the offices of the Company 545 Washington Boulevard Jersey City, New Jersey 07310 May 18, 2011, 8:00 AM, local time

April 1, 2011

## TO OUR SHAREHOLDERS:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 2011 Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Verisk Analytics, Inc. will be held on Wednesday, May 18, 2011, at 8:00 a.m. local time, at 545 Washington Boulevard, Jersey City, New Jersey 07310, to:

elect four (4) members of the Board of Directors;

vote on an advisory, non-binding resolution to approve the compensation of the Company s named executive officers (say-on-pay);

vote on an advisory, non-binding proposal as to whether say-on-pay votes should be held every one, two or three years ( say-on-pay frequency );

ratify the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as independent auditor for the year ending December 31, 2011; and

transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Our Board of Directors recommends that you vote **FOR** the election of directors, the advisory vote on the compensation of the Company s named executive officers, and the ratification of the appointment of the auditor. With respect to the advisory vote as to whether say-on-pay votes should be held every one, two or three years, our Board of Directors recommends that you vote for the **ONE YEAR** frequency option.

With respect to certain of our shareholders, we are pleased to take advantage of the Securities and Exchange Commission rule allowing companies to furnish proxy materials to their shareholders via the Internet. We believe this e-proxy process expedites shareholders—receipt of proxy materials and lowers the costs of our annual meeting of shareholders. Accordingly, we have mailed to certain of our beneficial owners the Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials containing instructions on how to access the attached Proxy Statement and our Annual Report on Form 10-K via the Internet and how to vote online. The Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials also contains instructions on how you can receive a paper copy of the proxy materials. We are mailing paper copies of our annual meeting materials to our shareholders of record, and to eligible participants in the ISO 401(k) Savings and Employee Stock Ownership Plan, or ESOP.

The Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials is being mailed to certain of our shareholders beginning on or about April 1, 2011. The Proxy Statement is being made available to our shareholders and eligible ESOP participants beginning on or about April 1, 2011.

In addition, we are mailing this Proxy Statement, our annual report and a voter direction card to shareholders of record and eligible participants in the ISO 401(k) Savings and Employee Stock Ownership Plan.

Very truly yours,

Kenneth E. Thompson Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

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Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Shareholder Meeting to be held on May 18, 2011. Our Proxy Statement and our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010 are available at <a href="https://www.proxyvote.com">www.proxyvote.com</a>. Upon written request to our Corporate Secretary, we will provide a copy of our Annual Report on Form 10-K without charge.

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April 1, 2011

## PROXY STATEMENT

We are making this Proxy Statement available in connection with the solicitation of proxies by our Board of Directors for the 2011 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. We are mailing the Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials on or about April 1, 2011. This Proxy Statement is being made available to our shareholders on or about April 1, 2011. In this Proxy Statement, we refer to Verisk Analytics, Inc. as the Company, Verisk, we, our or us and the of Directors as the Board.

## ANNUAL MEETING INFORMATION

*Date and Location.* We will hold the annual meeting on Wednesday, May 18, 2011 at 8:00 AM, local time, at the offices of the Company, 545 Washington Boulevard, Jersey City, New Jersey 07310.

*Admission.* Only record or beneficial owners of our common stock as of the Record Date, as defined below, or their proxies, and eligible ESOP participants, may attend the annual meeting in person. When you arrive at the annual meeting, you must present photo identification, such as a driver s license. Beneficial owners must also provide evidence of stock holdings, such as a recent brokerage account or bank statement.

Notice of Electronic Availability of Proxy Materials. Pursuant to the rules adopted by the SEC, we are making this Proxy Statement and our Annual Report on Form 10-K available to some of our shareholders electronically via the Internet. Accordingly, in compliance with this e-proxy process, on or about April 1, 2011, we are mailing to our beneficial owners the Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials (Notice) containing instructions on how to access this Proxy Statement and our Annual Report on Form 10-K via the Internet and how to vote online. As a result, unless otherwise required, beneficial owners will not receive a printed copy of the proxy materials in the mail unless they request a copy. The Notice is not a proxy card and cannot be used to vote your shares. If you would like to receive a printed or electronic copy of our proxy materials, you should follow the instructions for requesting such materials included in the Notice. Your participation in the e-proxy process enables us to save money on the cost of printing and mailing the documents to you. Beneficial owners may request to receive a printed set of the proxy materials by mail or electronically, in either case, free of charge.

Printed copies of the proxy materials are being sent to record holders of our stock and to eligible participants of the ISO 401(k) Savings and Employee Stock Ownership Plan, or ESOP. All shareholders and eligible ESOP participants will be able to access the proxy materials at www.proxyvote.com.

Record and Beneficial Owners. If your shares are registered directly in your name with our transfer agent, American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, you are considered, with respect to those shares, to be a stockholder of record, and our annual meeting materials are being sent to you directly by us. As the stockholder of record, you have the right to grant your voting proxy or to attend the meeting and vote in person. If your shares are held in a brokerage account,

including an Individual Retirement Account, or by a bank or other nominee, you are considered a beneficial owner of those shares held in street name and your broker or nominee is considered, with respect to those shares, to be the stockholder of record. As the beneficial owner, you have the right to direct your broker or nominee on how to vote your shares.

## **VOTING INFORMATION**

Record Date. The Record Date for the annual meeting is March 21, 2011. Record and beneficial owners may vote all shares of Verisk s common stock they owned as of the close of business on that date. ESOP participants may direct the ESOP Trustee to vote all shares of Verisk s common stock allocated to their ESOP accounts as of the close of business on that date. Each share of Class A common stock entitles you to one vote on the election of each of the Class A Directors nominated for election. Each share of Class B common stock entitles you to one vote on the election of the Class B Director nominated for election. Each share of Class A or Class B common stock entitles you to one vote on each other matter voted on at the annual meeting. On the Record Date 141,038,461 shares of Class A common stock and 26,996,820 shares of Class B common stock were outstanding. We need a quorum consisting of both a majority of the shares of Class A common stock and a majority of the shares of Class B common stock, each calculated as a separate class, outstanding on the Record Date present, in person or by proxy, to hold the annual meeting.

Submitting Voting Instructions for Shares Held Through a Broker. If you hold shares through a broker, follow the voting instructions you receive from your broker. If you want to vote in person at the annual meeting, you must obtain a legal proxy from your broker and present it at the annual meeting. If you do not submit voting instructions to your broker, your broker may still be permitted to vote your shares. New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) member brokers may vote your shares as described below:

Discretionary Items. The ratification of the appointment of Verisk s independent auditor is a discretionary item. NYSE member brokers that do not receive instructions from beneficial owners may vote on this proposal in their discretion, subject to any voting policies adopted by the broker holding your shares.

Nondiscretionary Items. The election of directors, the advisory vote to approve the compensation of the Company s named executive officers, and the advisory vote on the frequency of say-on-pay votes are considered non-discretionary items. NYSE members that do not receive instructions from beneficial owners may not vote on these proposals on their behalf.

If you do not submit voting instructions and your broker does not have discretion to vote your shares on a matter, your broker will return the proxy card without voting on that matter (referred to as broker non-votes). Your shares will not be counted in determining the outcome of the vote on that matter. Therefore, if you hold your shares through a broker, it is critically important that you submit your voting instructions if you want your shares to count in the election of directors, the advisory vote on the compensation of named executive officers and the advisory vote on the frequency of say-on-pay votes.

Submitting Voting Instructions for Shares Held in Your Name. If you hold shares as a record holder, you may vote by submitting a proxy for your shares by mail, telephone or Internet as described on the proxy card. If you submit your proxy via the Internet, you may incur costs such as cable, telephone and Internet access charges. Submitting your proxy will not limit your right to vote in person at the annual meeting. A properly completed and submitted proxy will be voted in accordance with your instructions, unless you subsequently revoke your instructions. If you submit a signed proxy card without indicating your vote, the person voting the proxy will vote your shares according to the Board's recommendations.

Submitting Voting Instructions for shares held in the ESOP. Participants who hold shares indirectly through the ISO 401(k) Savings and Employee Stock Ownership Plan may instruct the Plan Trustee, Greatbanc Trust Company, how to vote all shares of Verisk Class A common stock allocated to their accounts. The Plan Trustee will vote the ESOP shares for which it has not received instruction in its discretion, in the best interests of ESOP participants. All votes

will be kept confidential and individual votes will not be disclosed to management unless required by law.

*Revoking Your Proxy.* You can revoke your proxy at any time before your shares are voted by (1) delivering a written revocation notice prior to the annual meeting to the Corporate Secretary, Kenneth E. Thompson, Verisk Analytics, Inc., 545 Washington Boulevard, Jersey City, New Jersey 07310; (2) submitting a later proxy that we receive no later than the conclusion of voting at the annual meeting; or (3) voting in person at the annual meeting. Attending the annual meeting does not revoke your proxy unless you vote in person at the meeting.

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Votes Required to Elect Directors. Each director will be elected by a plurality of the votes cast with respect to such director. A plurality of the votes cast means that the open seats on the Board will be filled by the nominees who receive the highest number of votes until all of the open seats have been filled. Under Delaware law, if the director is not re-elected at the annual meeting, the director will continue to serve on the Board until such director s successor is elected and qualified or until such director s earlier resignation or removal.

Votes Required to Adopt the Advisory, Non-Binding Resolution on Compensation of Company s Named Executive Officers. The advisory, non-binding resolution to approve the compensation of the Company s named executive officers will be adopted if a majority of the voting power of the shares of common stock represented at the annual meeting and entitled to vote thereon votes FOR the resolution.

Votes Required to Adopt the Advisory, Non-Binding Proposal on Frequency of Say-On-Pay Votes. Shareholders are not voting to approve or disapprove the recommendation of the Board with respect to this proposal. The advisory, non-binding vote as to the frequency (every one, two or three years) of future say-on-pay votes will require you to select between a frequency of every one, two or three years or abstain from voting. The frequency option (every one, two or three years) receiving the majority of votes from the shares of common stock represented at the annual meeting and entitled to vote thereon will be considered the frequency recommended by shareholders. It is possible that none of the frequency options will receive an affirmative majority from the shareholders, in which case the Board will take into account the frequency option that receives the highest number of votes when determining the frequency of future say-on-pay votes.

*Votes Required to Ratify Auditor.* The ratification of the appointment of Deloitte & Touche requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the voting power of the shares of common stock represented at the annual meeting and entitled to vote thereon.

Abstaining and Broker Non-Votes. You may vote abstain for any nominee in the election of directors and on the other proposals. Shares voting abstain on and broker non-votes with respect to any nominee for director will be excluded entirely from such vote and will have no effect on the election of directors. Shares voting abstain on the other proposals will be counted as present at the annual meeting for purposes of that proposal and your abstention will have the effect of a vote against the proposal.

## ITEM 1 ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Our Board of Directors is divided into three classes serving staggered terms. The number of directors is fixed by our Board of Directors, subject to the terms of our amended and restated certificate of incorporation. Until the earlier of (a) October 6, 2011, or (b) the date on which there are no shares of Class B common stock issued and outstanding, our Board of Directors will consist of between eleven and thirteen directors and will be composed of (i) between eight and ten Class A directors and (ii) three Class B directors. From and after the earlier of the these events, there will no longer be Class B directors, and each director will be elected for a three-year term by the holders of a plurality of the votes cast by the holders of shares of common stock present in person or represented by proxy at the meeting and entitled to vote on the election of directors. Each director holds office until his or her successor has been duly elected and qualified or the director s earlier resignation, death or removal. All of the nominees are current directors of Verisk as of April 1, 2011, and each nominee has indicated that he will serve if elected. We do not anticipate that any nominee will be unable or unwilling to stand for election, but if that happens, your proxy will be voted for another person nominated by the Board.

We believe that each of the nominees listed below possesses key attributes that we seek in a director, including strong and effective decision-making, communication and leadership skills. We also believe that the Board as a whole possesses the right diversity of experience, qualifications and skills to oversee and address the key issues facing the

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## **Nominees for Election**

# Nominees for terms continuing until 2014

Class A Directors

Frank J. Coyne (62) has been our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer since March 2011 and was our Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer from 2002 to February 2011. From 2000 to 2002, Mr. Coyne served as our President and Chief Executive Officer and he served as our President and Chief Operating Officer from 1999 to 2000. Mr. Coyne joined the Company from Kemper Insurance Cos., where he was Executive Vice President, Specialty and Risk Management Groups. Previously, he served in a variety of positions with General Accident Insurance and was elected its President and Chief Operating Officer in 1991. He has also held executive positions with Lynn Insurance Group, Reliance Insurance Co. and PMA Insurance Co. In assessing Mr. Coyne s skills and qualifications to serve on our Board, our directors considered the in-depth operations and management experience and knowledge gained by Mr. Coyne as President and Chief Executive Officer of Verisk since 2002.

Christopher M. Foskett (53) has served as one of our directors since 1999. Mr. Foskett is the Managing Director Treasury Services of JPMorgan Chase Bank. He was Managing Director Global Head of Financial Institutions of National Australia Bank from 2008 to 2011 and a Managing Director and Global Head of the Financial Institutions Group in Citigroup s Corporate Bank from 2007 to 2008. From 2003 to 2007, Mr. Foskett was Head of Sales and Relationship Management for Citigroup Global Transaction Services. He also served as Global Industry Head for the Insurance and Investment Industries in Citigroup s Global Corporate Bank from 1999 to 2003. Previously, he held various roles in Citigroup s mergers and acquisitions group. In assessing Mr. Foskett s skills and qualifications to serve on our Board, our directors considered his more than 29 years in the banking and financial services industries, and experience gained as a senior executive with global financial institutions.

David B. Wright (62) has served as one of our directors since 1999. Mr. Wright is currently the Chief Executive Officer of GridIron Systems, a privately held company that deploys appliance software technology that maximizes application performance for enterprise customers. Prior to that, he served as Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of Verari Systems, Inc., from June 2006 to December 2009. He was Executive Vice President, Office of the CEO, Strategic Alliances and Global Accounts of EMC Corporation from July 2004 until August 2006. From October 2000 to July 2004, Mr. Wright served as President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of Legato Systems. Mr. Wright also serves on the Board of Directors of ActivIdentity Corp. and GeekNet, Inc. In assessing Mr. Wright s skills and qualifications to serve on our Board, our directors considered the operations and management experience he gained in leadership positions in diverse businesses.

## Class B Director

Thomas F. Motamed (62) has served as one of our directors since 2009. Mr. Motamed has been the Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of CNA Financial Corporation since January 1, 2009. From December 2002 to June 2008, he served as Vice Chairman and Chief Operating Officer of The Chubb Corporation and President and Chief Operating Officer of Chubb & Son. In assessing Mr. Motamed s skills and qualifications to serve on our Board, our directors considered his management and operations experience gained as a senior executive, including as Chief Executive Officer, of various global insurance businesses. Our Board also believes it benefits from Mr. Motamed s experience gained by service on another public company board, CNA Financial Corporation.

## Directors with terms continuing until 2012

Class A Directors

J. Hyatt Brown (73) has served as one of our directors since 2003. Mr. Brown has been Chairman of Brown & Brown, Inc. since 1993 and served as Brown & Brown s Chief Executive Officer from 1993 until July 1, 2009. Mr. Brown is a Trustee of Stetson University in Florida, a past member of the Florida Board of Regents and a member of the Florida Council of 100. He was elected to the Florida House of Representatives in 1972 and was elected Speaker in 1978. Mr. Brown retired as Speaker in 1980. He also serves on the Board of Directors of Next Era Energy, Inc. and the International Speedway Corporation. He served on the boards of directors of Rock-Tenn Company until January 2010, Sun Trust Banks, Inc. until 2008 and Bell South Corporation until 2006. In assessing

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Mr. Brown s skills and qualifications to serve on our Board, our directors considered his extensive experience in expanding and managing Brown & Brown, Inc., and his deep knowledge of the insurance industry. Our Board also believes it benefits from Mr. Brown s experience gained by service on two other public company boards, Next Era Energy, Inc. and the International Speedway Corporation.

Glen A. Dell (75) has served as one of our directors since 1995. Mr. Dell is a retired Partner of MapleWood Equity Partners LP. Mr. Dell served as a Partner of MapleWood Equity Partners LP from 1998 to 2007. From 1992 to 1997, Mr. Dell served as President of Investcorp Management Services Inc., where he was responsible for post-acquisition management of Investcorp s portfolio of companies in North America. He has also served as a consultant, specializing in interim management services, and held executive positions with General Electric Co., International Paper Co., and JWT Group, Inc. Mr. Dell was a member of the Board of Directors of Parts Depot, Inc. until February 2008. In assessing Mr. Dell s skills and qualifications to serve on our Board, our directors considered his significant financial expertise and general management experience gained as a consultant and in executive positions at large companies. This expertise and experience includes his understanding of operations, financial planning and controls, and evaluating and executing acquisition and divestiture transactions. The Board also values Mr. Dell s qualification as an audit committee financial expert as that term is defined by the rules of the SEC.

## Class B Director

**Samuel G. Liss** (54) has served as one of our directors since 2005. Mr. Liss is a principal of White Gate Partners LLC, a financial services advisory firm. From April 2004 to July 2010, Mr. Liss served as Executive Vice President at The Travelers Companies. Before the merger of The St. Paul and Travelers Companies, Mr. Liss served as Executive Vice President at The St. Paul from February 2003 to April 2004. From 1994 to 2001, Mr. Liss was a Managing Director at Credit Suisse First Boston, or CSFB, initially focused on equity research across a range of financial institution sectors. He subsequently served in a Senior Investment Banking relationship, advisory and execution role in CSFB s Financial Institutions Group, where he led its asset management industry practice. Mr. Liss was a senior equity analyst at Salomon Brothers from 1980 to 1994. In assessing Mr. Liss skills and qualifications to serve on our Board, our directors considered his management and operations experience gained as a senior executive of a global insurance business, as well as his expertise in the capital markets.

## Directors with terms continuing until 2013

## Class A Directors

John F. Lehman, Jr. (68) has served as one of our directors since 1992. Mr. Lehman is Chairman of J. F. Lehman & Co., an investment firm that he founded in 1991. Prior to founding J. F. Lehman & Co., he was Managing Director of Paine Webber, Inc. from 1988 to 1991. In 1981, Mr. Lehman was appointed Secretary of the Navy by President Reagan and served in that capacity until 1987. Mr. Lehman was a member of the bipartisan September 11 Commission and serves on the Board of Directors of Ball Corp. and EnerSys, Inc. In assessing Mr. Lehman s skills and qualifications to serve on our Board, our directors considered his financial expertise and operations skills gained through involvement with numerous diverse businesses and through his experience in government and public service. Our Board also believes it benefits from Mr. Lehman s experience gained by service on two other public company boards, Ball Corp. and EnerSys, Inc.

Andrew G. Mills (58) has served as one of our directors since 2002. Mr. Mills served as the interim President of The King s College in New York, New York from May 2007 until August 2010. He is the former Chairman of Intego Solutions LLC, which he founded in 2000. Mr. Mills previously served as Chief Executive Officer of The Thomson Corporation s Financial and Professional Publishing unit and as a member of Thomson s Board of Directors. In 1984, he led the start-up operations of Business Research Corporation and was responsible for overseeing its sale and

integration into The Thompson Corporation. He began his career with Courtaulds Ltd. and joined The Boston Consulting Group in 1979. Mr. Mills is on the Board of Directors of The King s College, Lexington Christian Academy, Camp of the Woods and Hope Christian Church, is a member of the Massachusetts State Board of the Salvation Army and is co-chairman of the Theology of Work Project. In assessing Mr. Mills skills and qualifications to serve on our Board, our directors considered his management expertise gained through senior executive positions with diverse businesses and his expertise in acquisitions and integration of acquired businesses.

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Arthur J. Rothkopf (75) has served as one of our directors since 1993. Mr. Rothkopf retired after having served as Senior Vice President and Counselor to the President of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce from July 2005 through July 2010. From 1993 to 2005, Mr. Rothkopf was President of Lafayette College in Easton, Pennsylvania. Prior to serving as President of Lafayette College, Mr. Rothkopf was General Counsel and Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of Transportation, appointed by President George H. W. Bush. From 1967 through 1991, he practiced law with the Washington, D.C., firm of Hogan & Hartson, where he was a senior partner. Mr. Rothkopf is a trustee of American University in Washington, D.C., and a trustee of the Educational Testing Service in Princeton, New Jersey. He is vice-chair of the National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity of the U.S. Department of Education. He served as a director of Bristol West Holdings, Inc. until 2007. In assessing Mr. Rothkopf s skills and qualifications to serve on our Board, our directors considered his financial expertise and management skills gained in various executive roles and through his experience in government and public service.

## Class B Director

Constantine P. Iordanou (61) has served as one of our directors since 2001. Mr. Iordanou has served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Arch Capital Group Limited, or ACGL, since August 2003 and as director of ACGL since January 2002. From January 2002 through July 2003, he was Chief Executive Officer of Arch Capital (U.S.) Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of ACGL. Prior to joining ACGL in 2002, Mr. Iordanou served in various capacities for Zurich Financial Services and its affiliates, including as Senior Executive Vice President of Group Operations and Business Development of Zurich Financial Services, President of Zurich-American Specialties Division, Chief Operating Officer and Chief Executive Officer of Zurich American and Chief Executive Officer of Zurich North America. Prior to joining Zurich in March of 1992, he served as President of the Commercial Casualty division of the Berkshire Hathaway Inc. and served as Senior Vice President with the American Home Insurance Company, a member of the American International Group. In assessing Mr. Iordanou s skills and qualifications to serve on our Board, our directors considered his experience as director and Chief Executive Officer of another public company, ACGL, as well as his extensive experience as a senior executive of various global insurance businesses.

Our Board unanimously recommends a vote FOR the election of all four (4) nominees. Proxies solicited by our Board will be voted FOR these nominees unless otherwise instructed.

# **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

Corporate Governance Documents. Verisk maintains a corporate governance website at the Corporate Governance link under the Investors link at www.verisk.com.

Our Corporate Governance Guidelines (including our director independence standards); Code of Business Conduct and Ethics; and Audit, Compensation and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee charters are available on our website at the Corporate Governance link under the Investors link at www.verisk.com and are available to any shareholder who requests them by writing to Verisk Analytics, Inc., 545 Washington Blvd., Jersey City, New Jersey 07310, Attention: Kenneth E. Thompson, Corporate Secretary.

Our Code of Business Conduct and Ethics applies to our directors, executive officers and employees. If we make any substantive amendment to, or grant a waiver from, a provision of the Code of Business Conduct and Ethics for our chief executive officer (CEO), chief financial officer (CFO), principal accounting officer or controller or persons performing similar functions, we will satisfy the applicable SEC disclosure requirement by disclosing within four business days the nature of the amendment or waiver on our website at the Corporate Governance link under the Investors link at www.verisk.com.

Information contained on our website is not incorporated by reference into this Proxy Statement or any other report filed with the SEC.

Leadership Structure and Presiding Director. Frank J. Coyne serves as both our Chief Executive Officer and the Chairman of our Board of Directors. We believe combining the role of Chairman and CEO is appropriate for our Board because Mr. Coyne can lend his familiarity with our business strategy and our industry to the leadership of the Board. We also believe the combined role of Chairman and CEO facilitates the flow of information between the

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board and management and helps promote effective corporate governance. We have also taken steps to ensure that our Board effectively carries out its responsibility for independent oversight by establishing the role of Presiding Director. John F. Lehman, Jr. is currently the Presiding Director. The Presiding Director s duties and authority, set forth in our Corporate Governance Guidelines, include calling and leading independent director and non-employee director sessions. The Presiding Director role rotates annually among the chairs of the Audit Committee, Compensation Committee, Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, and Finance and Investment Committee.

Director Independence. Under our By-laws, our Board of Directors may consist of nine Class A directors and three Class B directors, although one Class A director position is currently vacant. Of our eleven active directors, ten are independent as defined under NASDAQ listing rules. Currently, the following individuals serve on our Board of Directors as independent directors: J. Hyatt Brown, Glen A. Dell, Christopher M. Foskett, Constantine P. Iordanou, John F. Lehman, Jr., Samuel G. Liss, Thomas F. Motamed, Andrew G. Mills, Arthur J. Rothkopf, and David B. Wright. Frank J. Coyne, our Chief Executive Officer, is the only member of our Board who is not independent.

Board Meetings and Committees. Our Bylaws provide that the Board of Directors may designate one or more committees. We currently have the following committees: Executive Committee, Audit Committee, Compensation Committee, Finance and Investment Committee, and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee. Our Board met seven times in 2010. All directors attended at least 75% of the meetings of the Board and of the committees on which the directors served that were held while such directors were a member, except for Andrew G. Mills, who was unable to attend certain ad hoc, non-regularly scheduled meetings due to unavoidable conflict.

The Executive Committee currently consists of Frank J. Coyne (Chair), Glen A. Dell, Constantine P. Iordanou, John F. Lehman, Jr. and Arthur J. Rothkopf. The Executive Committee exercises all the power and authority of the Board of Directors (except those powers and authorities that are reserved to the full Board of Directors under Delaware law) between regularly scheduled Board of Directors meetings. The Executive Committee also makes recommendations to the full Board of Directors on various matters. The Executive Committee meets as necessary upon the call of the Chairman of the Board of Directors. The Executive Committee met once in 2010.

The Audit Committee currently consists of Glen A. Dell (Chair), Christopher M. Foskett, Samuel G. Liss, Andrew G. Mills, Thomas F. Motamed and David B. Wright, all of whom are independent as defined under applicable listing rules. The Audit Committee is established in accordance with Section 3(a)(58) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act ). Each member of our Audit Committee is financially literate, as such term is interpreted by our Board of Directors. In addition, Glen A. Dell meets the qualifications of an audit committee financial expert in accordance with SEC rules, as determined by our Board of Directors. The Audit Committee reviews the internal accounting and financial controls for the Company and the accounting principles and auditing practices and procedures to be employed in preparation and review of the financial statements of the Company. The Audit Committee also provides assistance to our Board of Directors in fulfilling its responsibilities with respect to our compliance with legal and regulatory requirements. In addition, the Audit Committee also makes recommendations to the Board of Directors concerning the engagement of the independent accounting firm and the scope of the audit to be undertaken by such auditors. The Audit Committee met seven times in 2010.

The Compensation Committee currently consists of John F. Lehman, Jr. (Chair), Glen A. Dell, Constantine P. Iordanou and David B. Wright, all of whom are independent as defined under applicable listing rules. The Compensation Committee reviews and, as it deems appropriate, recommends to the Board of Directors policies, practices and procedures relating to the compensation of the officers and other managerial employees and the establishment and administration of employee benefit plans. The Compensation Committee also exercises all authority under the Company s employee equity incentive plans and advises and consults with the officers of the Company as may be requested regarding managerial personnel policies. The Compensation Committee met three times in 2010.

The Finance and Investment Committee currently consists of Samuel G. Liss (Chair), J. Hyatt Brown, Christopher M. Foskett, Andrew G. Mills and Thomas F. Motamed. The Finance and Investment Committee meets annually and at such other times as necessary to establish, monitor and evaluate the Company s investment policies,

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practices and advisors and to advise management and the Board of Directors on the financial aspects of strategic and operational directions, including financial plans, capital planning, financing alternatives, and acquisition opportunities. The Finance and Investment Committee met twice in 2010.

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee currently consists of Constantine P. Iordanou (Chair), J. Hyatt Brown, John F. Lehman, Jr., and Arthur J. Rothkopf, all of whom are independent as defined under applicable listing rules. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee reviews and, as it deems appropriate, recommends to the Board of Directors policies and procedures relating to director and Board of Directors committee nominations and corporate governance policies. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee met once in 2010.

Our Board has adopted a written charter for each of the Audit Committee, Compensation Committee and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee setting forth the roles and responsibilities of each committee. The charters are available on our website at the Corporate Governance link under the Investors link at www.verisk.com. Information contained on our website is not incorporated by reference into this Proxy Statement or any other report filed with the SEC.

The reports of the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee appear herein.

*Director Attendance at Annual Meetings*. The Company s Corporate Governance Guidelines state that directors are expected to attend annual meetings of shareholders. All of our directors attended the 2010 Annual Meeting of shareholders, except for John F. Lehman, Jr. and Andrew G. Mills.

Executive Sessions. The Company s Corporate Governance Guidelines provide that non-employee directors may meet in executive sessions and the Presiding Director will preside over these executive sessions. If any non-employee directors are not independent, then the independent directors will meet in executive sessions and the Presiding Director will preside over these executive sessions. In 2010, after every Board and committee meeting a non-employee director executive session was convened.

Communications with Directors. Shareholders and other interested parties may contact any member (or all members) of the Board by mail. To communicate with the Board, the Presiding Director, any individual director or any group or committee of directors, correspondence should be addressed to the Board or any such individual director or group or committee of directors by either name or title. All such correspondence should be sent to Kenneth E. Thompson, Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary, Verisk Analytics, Inc., 545 Washington Blvd., Jersey City, NJ 07310. Any communication to report potential issues regarding accounting, internal controls and other auditing matters should be marked Personal and Confidential and sent to Verisk Analytics, Inc., 545 Washington Blvd., Jersey City, NJ 07310, Attention: Chair of the Audit Committee of Verisk Analytics, Inc., in care of Kenneth E. Thompson, Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary. Our Policy for Reporting Concerns Related to Accounting and Ethical Violations (Whistleblower Policy) is available on our website at the Corporate Governance link under the Investors link at www.verisk.com. Information contained on our website is not incorporated by reference into this Proxy Statement or any other report filed with the SEC.

Mandatory Retirement. Arthur J. Rothkopf is currently serving as a Class A director for a three year term ending in 2013, and in 2010 Mr. Rothkopf reached the Company s mandatory retirement age under our Corporate Governance Guidelines for directors of 75. The Board and the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee believe that, having recently transitioned to public company status, the Company will benefit from Mr. Rothkopf s continued service for the remainder of his three year term. Accordingly, the applicability of the mandatory retirement age under our Corporate Governance Guidelines has been waived in this circumstance in order to permit Mr. Rothkopf to complete his three year term as director ending in 2013. Pursuant to our Corporate Governance Guidelines, we expect to renew this waiver in 2012.

Compensation Governance. The Compensation Committee consists of at least three members, and is composed solely of independent directors meeting the independence requirements of the NASDAQ. The Compensation Committee currently consists of four members, each of whom is an outside director within the meaning of Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The Compensation Committee has the responsibility and authority to approve performance-based compensation for named executive officers. The

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Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee recommends nominees for appointment to the Compensation Committee from time-to-time and as vacancies or newly-created positions occur. Compensation Committee members are appointed by the Board and may be removed by the Board at any time.

The Compensation Committee operates under a written charter adopted by the Board. As noted above, the Committee is responsible for reviewing and approving annually all compensation awarded to the Company s executive officers, including the CEO and the other executive officers named in the Summary Compensation Table herein (named executive officers or NEOs). In addition, the Compensation Committee administers the Company s equity incentive plans, including reviewing and approving equity grants to executive officers. Information on the Compensation Committee s processes, procedures and analysis of NEO compensation for fiscal 2010 is addressed in the Compensation Discussion and Analysis herein.

The Compensation Committee actively engages in its duties and follows procedures intended to ensure excellence in compensation governance, including those described below:

Identifying corporate goals and objectives relevant to executive officer compensation.

Evaluating each executive officer s performance in light of such goals and objectives and setting each executive officer s compensation based on such evaluation and such other factors as the Compensation Committee deems appropriate and in the best interests of the Company (including the cost to the Company of such compensation).

Determining any long-term incentive component of each executive officer s compensation.

Identifying corporate goals and objectives relevant to director compensation.

Evaluating each director s performance in light of such goals and objectives and setting each director s compensation, including any long-term incentive component, based on such evaluation and such other factors as the Compensation Committee deems appropriate and in the best interests of the Company (including the cost to the Company of such compensation).

Additional information about our executive compensation plans and arrangements and their administration is described in the Compensation Discussion and Analysis herein and the accompanying executive compensation tables. The Compensation Committee may delegate the administration of these plans as appropriate, including to one or more officers of the Company, to subcommittees of the Board or to the Chairperson of the Compensation Committee when it deems it appropriate and in the best interests of the Company.

The Compensation Committee has the sole authority to retain and terminate any advisor, including any compensation consultant assisting the Compensation Committee in the evaluation of CEO or executive officer compensation, including authority to approve all such fees and other retention terms. As further described in the Compensation Discussion and Analysis herein, during 2010, the Compensation Committee retained a compensation consultant. In developing its views on compensation matters and determining the compensation awarded to our NEOs, the Compensation Committee also obtains input from the Human Resources department, which collects information and prepares materials for the Compensation Committee s use in compensation decisions.

Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation. No member of the Compensation Committee is a current or former officer of the Company or any of our subsidiaries. In addition, there are no compensation committee interlocks with the Board of Directors or compensation committee of any other company.

Board Diversity. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and the Board include diversity of viewpoints, background, experience and other demographics among the criteria they consider in connection with selecting candidates for the Board. While neither the Board nor the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee has a formal diversity policy, one of many factors the Board and the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee carefully considers in the selection of new directors is the importance to the Company of racial and gender diversity in board composition. Moreover, when considering director candidates, the Nominating and Governance Committee and the Board seek individuals with backgrounds and qualities that, when combined with those of our incumbent directors, enhance the Board s effectiveness and result in the Board having a broad range of skills, expertise, industry knowledge, diversity of opinion and contacts relevant to the Company s business.

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Board Role in Risk Oversight. The Board of Directors oversees the Company s enterprise wide approach to the major risks facing the Company and, with the assistance of the Audit Committee, oversees the Company s policies for assessing and managing its exposure to risk. The Board also considers risk in evaluating the Company s strategy. The Audit Committee reviews with management and the auditors the Company s enterprise risk assessment process and risk categories. As part of its process to identify and prioritize risks, the Company s Internal Audit department uses the framework set forth by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO) and segregates risks based on their nature and/or potential significance—strategic risk, financial risk, operational risk and compliance risk. The Chief Internal Auditor reports both to the Chairman of the Audit Committee and to the General Counsel. Management reviews with the Audit Committee the risk assessment process, the various enterprise risks, the prioritization of the identified risks and its mitigation plans. The Audit Committee reviews and discusses with the Chief Internal Auditor and Risk Manager the Company s internal system of audit and financial controls, enterprise risk information, internal audit plans, and the periodic report of audit activities. Finally, on a quarterly basis, management reviews its progress on the testing and mitigation of any identified risks with the Audit Committee. The Board s role in risk oversight has not had any effect on the Board s leadership structure.

## DIRECTORS COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS

Annual Retainer. Each non-employee director receives a retainer fee of \$50,000 per year for membership on the Board of Directors. Each non-employee director who chairs a committee receives an additional \$5,000 retainer fee, with the exception of the chairpersons of the Audit Committee and Compensation Committee, each of whom receives an additional \$12,500 annual retainer fee.

Each non-employee director may elect to receive his annual retainer in the form of (i) cash, (ii) deferred cash, (iii) shares of Class A common stock, (iv) deferred shares of Class A common stock, (v) options to purchase Class A common stock or (vi) a combination of (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) and (v), except that not more than 50% of the annual retainer may be paid in cash. Any options taken as a portion of the annual retainer are exercisable for a period of ten years from the date of grant (subject to earlier termination if the individual ceases to be a director of the Company), vest immediately, and have an exercise price equal to the fair market value of the Class A common stock on the date of grant.

*Meeting Attendance Fees.* Each non-employee director receives a \$1,500 fee for each Board of Directors or Committee meeting attended in person. Meeting attendance fees are payable only in cash or deferred cash.

Stock Option Grants. Each non-employee director receives an annual option grant having a Black-Scholes value of \$125,000. Such options are exercisable for a period of ten years from the date of grant (subject to earlier termination if the individual ceases to be a director of the Company), vest on the first anniversary of the date of grant, and have an exercise price equal to the fair market value of the Class A common stock on the date of grant.

Employee-directors receive no additional compensation for service on the Board of Directors. Mr. Frank J. Coyne is the only employee-director.

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The table below shows compensation paid to or earned by the directors during 2010. As noted above, directors may elect to receive compensation in various forms other than cash.

## 2010 DIRECTOR COMPENSATION

Name	Fees Earned or Paid in Cash (\$)	Stock Awards (\$)(1)	Option Awards (\$)(1)	Total (\$)
J. Hyatt Brown	31,000	25,006	125,000	181,006
Glen A. Dell	40,250		156,250	196,500
Christopher M. Foskett	7,500	25,006	150,000	182,506
Constantine P. Iordanou(2)	7,500		180,000	187,500
John F. Lehman, Jr.(3)	3,000	62,514	125,000	190,514
Samuel G. Liss	27,500		152,500	180,000
Andrew G. Mills	6,000		175,000	181,000
Thomas F. Motamed	7,500	25,006	150,000	182,506
Arthur J. Rothkopf	31,000		150,000	181,000
David B. Wright	9,000		175,000	184,000

- (1) Represents the aggregate grant date fair value of stock and stock option awards granted in 2010 computed in accordance with ASC Subtopic 718-10, *Compensation-Stock Compensation* (ASC Topic 718), excluding forfeiture estimates. For a discussion of the assumptions used to calculate the amounts shown in the option awards and stock awards columns, see note 16 of the notes to our audited consolidated financial statements included as part of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010.
- (2) Mr. Iordanou elected to defer \$7.500 of the fees earned in 2010.
- (3) Mr. Lehman elected to defer \$3,000 and \$62,514 of the fees earned and stock awards, respectively, in 2010.

Where no information is given as to a particular type of award with respect to any individual, such individual did not hold or receive such an award during or as of the end of the last fiscal year, as the case may be.

## **EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF VERISK**

Information regarding the ages and past five years business experience of our executive officers is as follows:

Frank J. Coyne (62) has been our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer since March 2011 and was our Chairman, President and Chief Executive Office from 2002 to February 2011. From 2000 to 2002, Mr. Coyne served as our President and Chief Executive Officer, and he served as our President and Chief Operating Officer from 1999 to 2000. Mr. Coyne joined the Company from Kemper Insurance Cos. where he was Executive Vice President, Specialty and Risk Management Groups. Previously, he served in a variety of positions with General Accident Insurance and was elected its President and Chief Operating Officer in 1991. He has also held executive positions with Lynn Insurance Group, Reliance Insurance Co. and PMA Insurance Co.

Scott G. Stephenson (53) has been our President since March 2011 and our Chief Operating Officer since June 2008. Mr. Stephenson has previously led our Decision Analytics segment. From 2002 to 2008, Mr. Stephenson served as our

Executive Vice President, and he served as President of our Intego Solutions business from 2001 to 2002. Mr. Stephenson joined the Company from Silver Lake Partners, a technology-oriented private equity firm, where he was an advisor from 2000 to 2001. From 1989 to 1999 Mr. Stephenson was a partner with The Boston Consulting Group, eventually rising to senior partner and member of the firm s North American operating committee.

*Mark V. Anquillare* (45) has been our Executive Vice President since March 2011 and our Chief Financial Officer since 2007. Mr. Anquillare joined the Company as Director of Financial Systems in 1992 and since joining the Company, Mr. Anquillare has held various management positions, including Assistant Vice President, Vice President and Controller, and Senior Vice President and Controller. Prior to 1992,

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Mr. Anquillare was employed by the Prudential Insurance Company of America. Mr. Anquillare is a Fellow of the Life Management Institute.

*Kenneth E. Thompson* (51) has been our Executive Vice President since March 2011 and our General Counsel and Corporate Secretary since 2006. Prior to joining the Company in 2006, Mr. Thompson was a partner of McCarter & English, LLP from 1997 to 2006. Mr. Thompson also serves on the Board of Directors of Measurement Specialties, Inc.

Vincent d. P. McCarthy (46) has been our Senior Vice President, Corporate Development and Strategy since October 2009. He is responsible for identifying and evaluating new strategic and M&A opportunities that align with Verisk s business operations and growth initiatives. Mr. McCarthy joined Verisk from Bank of America Merrill Lynch, where he was a Managing Director in the Investment Banking group in New York, advising companies in the financial technology, payments and processing, and analytics sectors. Mr. McCarthy joined Merrill Lynch in 1994, and across his career with that firm served in investment banking roles both in the United States and Europe.

Carole J. Banfield (71) has been our Executive Vice President, Information Services and Government Relations Department focused on our Risk Assessment segment since 1996. Ms. Banfield joined the Company in 1970 as an assistant actuary in the Homeowners Actuarial Division and since 1977 has held various management positions, including Vice President Government and Industry Relations. Ms. Banfield began her career with the National Bureau of Casualty Underwriters in 1962. Ms. Banfield is a member of the American Academy of Actuaries and an Associate of the Casualty Actuarial Society. She currently serves on the Board of Directors of the American Society of Workers Compensation Professionals. She has also served on the Boards of Directors of the Insurance Data Management Association and the Industry Advisory Group of ACORD.

Vincent Cialdella (59) has been our Senior Vice President, AISG, in our Decision Analytics segment, since April 2008. Prior to April 2008, Mr. Cialdella served as Vice President of ISO Claims Solutions, a division of AISG, since 2000. Mr. Cialdella s career at the Company spans approximately thirty years, during which he has served as Assistant Vice President of Software Products, Corporate Systems and Application Development Support Center.

Perry F. Rotella (47) has been Senior Vice President and Chief Information Officer since October 2009. Mr. Rotella joined Verisk from Moody s Corporation, where he served as Senior Vice President and CIO from 2006 to 2009. Prior to Moody s, Mr. Rotella served in multiple executive roles at AIG from 1999 to 2006, including Senior Vice President and CIO of AIG s domestic property and casualty business and as the corporation s global Chief Technology Officer. From 1986 to 1999, Mr. Rotella was a principal with American Management Systems, rising to a member of the firm s global technology council. Mr. Rotella currently serves on the board of the Center for Family Support and is President of the New York Chapter of the Society for Information Management.

*Kevin B. Thompson* (58) has been our Senior Vice President, Insurance Services since 2003 focused on our Risk Assessment segment. Mr. Thompson joined the Company in 1974 and has held various management positions, including Vice President, Insurance Services; Vice President, Personal and Standard Commercial Lines; Vice President, Standard Commercial Lines; and Assistant Vice President, Commercial Casualty Actuarial. Mr. Thompson is also a Member of the American Academy of Actuaries and Fellow of the Casualty Actuarial Society. From 1996 to 1999 he served as Vice President Admissions of the Casualty Actuarial Society and as a Member of the Board of Directors from 1994 to 1996.

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## SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT

Stock Ownership of Directors and Executive Officers. We encourage our directors, officers and employees to own our common stock; owning our common stock aligns their interests with your interests as shareholders. Executive officers may not engage in pledging Verisk securities, or selling short or trading options or futures in Verisk securities. The following table sets forth the beneficial ownership of our Class A common stock by each of our named executive officers and directors, and by all our directors and executive officers as of March 15, 2011, as a group. Percentage of class amounts are based on 141,074,586 shares of our Class A common stock outstanding as of March 15, 2011.

In accordance with the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission, beneficial ownership includes voting or investment power with respect to securities and includes the shares issuable pursuant to stock options that are exercisable within 60 days of March 15, 2011. Shares issuable pursuant to stock options are deemed outstanding for computing the percentage of the person holding such options but are not outstanding for computing the percentage of any other person. Unless otherwise indicated, the address for each listed shareholder is: c/o Verisk Analytics, Inc., 545 Washington Boulevard, Jersey City, New Jersey 07310. To our knowledge, except as indicated in the footnotes to this table and pursuant to applicable community property laws, the persons named in the table have sole voting and investment power with respect to all shares of Class A common stock.

	Shares of Class A Common Stock Beneficially Owned	
	Percentag	
	Number of	of
	Shares	Class
NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS		
Frank J. Coyne(1)	5,954,538	4.07%
Scott G. Stephenson(2)	3,297,000	2.29%
Mark V. Anquillare(3)	1,185,000	*
Kenneth E. Thompson(4)	558,500	*
Vincent d. P. McCarthy(5)	36,250	*
DIRECTORS	,	*
J. Hyatt Brown(6)	61,360	*
Glen A. Dell(7)	356,235	*
Christopher M. Foskett(8)	95,622	*
Constantine P. Iordanou(9)	396,910	*
John F. Lehman, Jr.(10)	749,802	*
Samuel G. Liss(11)	115,321	*
Thomas F. Motamed(12)	34,772	*
Andrew G. Mills(13)	359,207	*
Arthur J. Rothkopf(14)	343,944	*
David B. Wright(15)	217,917	*
ALL DIRECTORS AND NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AS A		
GROUP (15 PERSONS )	13,762,378	9.03%

- (1) Includes 5,286,031 shares subject to stock options exercisable within 60 days of March 15, 2011.
- (2) Includes 2,957,500 shares subject to stock options exercisable within 60 days of March 15, 2011.
- (3) Includes 1,185,000 shares subject to stock options exercisable within 60 days of March 15, 2011.
- (4) Includes 558,500 shares subject to stock options exercisable within 60 days of March 15, 2011.
- (5) Includes 36,250 shares subject to stock options exercisable within 60 days of March 15, 2011.
- (6) Includes 3,682 shares subject to stock options exercisable within 60 days of March 15, 2011.
- (7) Includes 71,635 shares subject to stock options exercisable within 60 days of March 15, 2011. Also, includes shares owned by the Barbara M. Dell GST Family Trust, of which Mr. Dell is the trustee. Mr. Dell disclaims beneficial ownership of any shares beneficially owned by the trust except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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- (8) Includes 88,894 shares subject to stock options exercisable within 60 days of March 15, 2011. Also, includes 3,050 deferred stock awards that entitle Mr. Foskett to 3,050 shares of Class A common stock at the end of his service to the Board.
- (9) Includes 390,910 shares subject to stock options exercisable within 60 days of March 15, 2011.
- (10) Includes 143,232 shares subject to stock options exercisable within 60 days of March 15, 2011. Also, includes shares owned by the Lehman Business Trust, of which John F. Lehman, Jr. is the trustee. Mr. Lehman disclaims beneficial ownership of any shares beneficially owned by the trust except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein. Includes 5,570 deferred stock awards that entitle Mr. Lehman to 5,570 shares of Class A common stock at the end of his service to the board.
- (11) Includes 104,121 shares subject to stock options exercisable within 60 days of March 15, 2011.
- (12) Includes 32,544 shares subject to stock options exercisable within 60 days of March 15, 2011.
- (13) Includes 359,207 shares subject to stock options exercisable within 60 days of March 15, 2011.
- (14) Includes 28,194 shares subject to stock options exercisable within 60 days of March 15, 2011. Also, includes shares owned by the Arthur J. Rothkopf Revocable Trust, of which Mr. Rothkopf is one of the trustees. Mr. Rothkopf disclaims beneficial ownership of any shares beneficially owned by the trust except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- (15) Includes 166,207 shares subject to stock options exercisable within 60 days of March 15, 2011.
- \* Indicates less than 1% ownership.

## PRINCIPAL SHAREHOLDERS

The following table contains information regarding each person we know of that beneficially owns more than 5% of our Class A common stock.

	Shares of Class A Common Stock Beneficially Owned Percentage	
Name and Address	Number of Shares	of Class
GreatBanc Trust Company, as Trustee of the ISO Employee Stock Ownership Trust 801 Warrenville Road Suite 500		
Lisle, IL 60532 Morgan Stanley	21,490,188(1)	14.9%
1585 Broadway New York, NY 10036	8,377,288(2) 8,085,033(3)	5.8% 5.6%

Neuberger Berman Group LLC 605 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue New York, NY 10158 Eton Park Fund, L.P. 399 Park Avenue, 10<sup>th</sup> floor New York, NY 10022

7,500,000(4)

5.2%

(1) As of December 31, 2010, based on a Schedule 13G Information Statement filed with the SEC on February 10, 2011, filed jointly by the ISO Employee Stock Ownership Trust and GreatBanc Trust Company. The Schedule 13G reported that GreatBanc Trust Company is the Trustee of the ISO Employee Stock Ownership Trust and has shared voting power with respect to 21,490,188 shares of Verisk Class A common stock. Under the terms of the Trust, the Trustee votes all of the shares allocated to the accounts of participants as directed by the participants to whose accounts shares have been allocated. With respect to unallocated shares or allocated shares with respect to which no instructions have been received, the Trustee votes such shares in the Trustee s discretion.

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- (2) As of December 31, 2010, based on a Schedule 13G Information Statement filed with the SEC on February 9, 2011 jointly by Morgan Stanley and Morgan Stanley Investment Management Inc. (MSIM). The Schedule 13G discloses that MSIM, an investment adviser in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E), is a wholly owned subsidiary of Morgan Stanley. In addition, the Schedule 13G reported that: (i) Morgan Stanley had sole voting power as to 8,137,605 shares of our Class A common stock and sole dispositive power as to 8,377,288 shares of our Class A common stock.
- (3) As of December 31, 2010, based on a Schedule 13G/A Information Statement filed with the SEC on February 14, 2011, jointly by Neuberger Berman Group LLC and Neuberger Berman L.L.C. The Schedule 13G/A discloses that Neuberger Berman has shared dispositive power over 8,085,033 shares of our Class A common stock and shared voting power over 7,180,467 shares of our Class A common stock.
- (4) As of December 31, 2010, based on a Schedule 13G/A Information Statement filed with the SEC on February 14, 2011 jointly by Eton Park Fund, L.P., Eton Park Master Fund, Ltd., Eton Park Associates, L.P., Eton Park Capital Management, L.P., and Eric M. Mindich. The Schedule 13G/A reports that Mr. Mindich, as the managing member of Eton Park Associates, LLC, may be deemed to have power to direct the vote and disposition of shares of common stock held by the related Eton Park entities with whom the filing is made.

The following table contains information regarding each person we know of that beneficially owns more than 5% of our Class B common stock. Percentage of class amounts are based on 26,996,820 shares of our Class B common stock outstanding as of March 15, 2011.

	Shares of Class B Common Stock Beneficially Owned		
Name and Address	Number of Shares	Percentage of Class	
Berkshire Hathaway, Inc.			
1440 Kiewit Plaza			
Omaha, NE 68131	7,156,300(1)	26.5%	
American Financial Group, Inc.			
One East Forth Street			
Cincinnati, OH 45202	5,720,650(2)	21.2%	
Old Republic Asset Management			
307 N Michigan Avenue			
Chicago, IL 60601	4,255,900(3)	15.8%	
W. R. Berkley Corporation			
475 Steamboat Road			
Greenwich, CT 06830	3,389,800	12.6%	

- (1) Shares are owned by General Re Corporation and GEICO Corporation, subsidiaries of Berkshire Hathaway Inc.
- (2) Shares are owned by Great American Insurance Company, a subsidiary of American Financial Group, Inc.
- (3) Shares are owned by Bituminous Casualty Corporation, a subsidiary of Old Republic Asset Management

## **EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**

## **Compensation Discussion and Analysis**

Our business requires a highly skilled work force. While the capital intensity of our business is low, our human capital requirements are great. Our business depends on our senior leadership team, who possess business and technical capabilities that would be difficult, and costly, to replace. We have designed our compensation program to address these needs.

This section discusses the principles underlying our policies and decisions relating to the compensation of our principal executive officer, our principal financial officer, and our three other most highly compensated executive officers for 2010 (our Named Executive Officers or NEOs ). The information in this section describes the manner and context in which compensation is earned by and awarded to our NEOs, and provides perspective on the tables and narrative that follow.

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## Compensation Program Objectives

The compensation program for our NEOs must attract, reward, motivate and retain the highly qualified individuals we need to plan and execute our business strategy. We believe our compensation program motivates managers by directly linking a portion of compensation both to the Company s performance and the individual s performance. To foster this direct link, we have designed our compensation program so that a significant percentage of an NEO s compensation is variable rather than fixed. This percentage increases with seniority, because the decisions of more senior managers have a greater impact on our performance.

Executives will earn variable compensation (cash awards and stock options) only if warranted by Company and individual performance. Variable compensation for our NEOs consists of an annual cash payment pursuant to our Short Term Incentive, or STI, program and a long-term equity incentive award (typically in the form of stock options) pursuant to our Long Term Incentive, or LTI, program. We believe the design of our compensation program effectively encourages our senior managers, including our NEOs, to act in a manner that benefits the Company by creating long-term value for our stockholders.

## Elements of the Company s Compensation Program

We currently provide the following elements of compensation to our NEOs:

base salary;

annual cash incentive awards;

long-term equity incentive awards; and

health, welfare and retirement plans.

Each compensation element fulfills one or more of our compensation program objectives.

## Base Salary

We pay base salaries to attract, reward and retain managers, and so that in recruiting and retaining senior executives we are not disadvantaged by being seen as offering a lower level of fixed compensation for a given position level. We adjust salaries annually to maintain competitive market levels, which are based on the experience and scope of responsibilities of each NEO. We perform our own internal analysis of prevailing market levels of salary for comparable positions. This analysis utilizes our general knowledge of the industry, information gained by our human resources professionals in the hiring and termination process and, when available, commercially prepared market surveys obtained by our human resources professionals. In addition, we periodically retain outside compensation consultants to assess the competitiveness of compensation for certain members of senior management. In 2010 the Compensation Committee retained Fredric W. Cook & Co. ( Cook ) to provide the consulting services described below. In the fall of 2010, Cook was retained to perform two analyses of senior management compensation. The compensation of all NEOs other than Mr. Coyne was included in one of the 2010 Cook assessments. The compensation of Mr. Coyne was included in the other assessment. The 2010 Cook assessments compared the then current compensation of certain members of our senior management to data from two proprietary third-party surveys and to information obtained by reviewing the proxy statements of thirteen publicly traded companies. The public companies whose compensation information was reviewed by Cook in its 2010 analyses were Acxiom, DST Systems, Dun & Bradstreet, Equifax, FactSet Research Systems, Fair Isaac, Gartner, IHS, MasterCard, Moody s, Morningstar, MSCI, and Solera Holdings.

The base salary of our Chief Executive Officer is determined by the Compensation Committee. The base salary of each of our other NEOs is determined by the CEO, subject to approval by the Compensation Committee. Our NEO s base salaries were initially determined by the Compensation Committee (in the case of Mr. Coyne) or by Mr. Coyne, with the approval of the Compensation Committee (in the case of other NEOs) based on the Company s assessment described above. Base salary as a percentage of total compensation differs based on an executive s position and function. Generally, executives with the highest position and level of responsibility, and thus the greatest ability to influence our performance through their decision making, have the smallest percentage of their total compensation fixed as base salary. Annual adjustments to base salary are determined by the Compensation Committee, in the case of Mr. Coyne, and by Mr. Coyne with the approval of the Compensation Committee, in the case of other NEOs, based on the assessment of prevailing

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market compensation practices described above, and based on the subjective evaluation of individual performance factors discussed below in *Analysis of 2010 Variable Compensation*. We have historically placed greater emphasis on the potential of variable compensation to incent employees to create long-term value for our stockholders.

### Annual Cash Incentive Awards

Annual cash incentive awards are paid to all eligible employees, including NEOs, pursuant to our STI program. Prior to the beginning of each year, the Compensation Committee establishes financial performance goals for the coming year under our STI program. The specified financial performance goals relate to growth in revenue and EBITDA margin, and are derived from our strategic and business growth plan. We selected revenue growth and EBITDA margin growth as the primary criteria for STI because we believe our business s ability to generate recurring revenue and positive cash flow is the key indicator of the successful execution of our business strategy. In addition, the Compensation Committee evaluates the accomplishment during the year of other financial and nonfinancial performance measures that we believe position the Company to achieve long-term future growth. These include earnings per share results, enhancements to productivity, achievement of new sales, accomplishment of strategic and operational initiatives, completion of acquisitions and development of strategic relationships. At the conclusion of the performance year, funding of the aggregate STI pool for all eligible employees is determined by the Compensation Committee, taking into account the recommendation of the CEO, based on the degree to which goals are achieved during the year. Cash STI awards are paid in March, in respect of performance for the prior year.

See Analysis of 2010 Variable Compensation for a discussion of how we determined 2010 STI awards for NEOs.

# Long-Term Equity Incentive Awards

Long- term equity incentive awards are made annually to eligible employees, including NEOs, pursuant to our LTI program. In October 2009, we adopted a new omnibus equity compensation plan, the Verisk Analytics, Inc., 2009 Equity Incentive Plan, or Incentive Plan. Awards under the Incentive Plan and its predecessor plan are generally in the form of option grants. In general, option awards under our LTI program are made in April, in respect of prior year performance. Option awards have an exercise price equal to the fair market value of our Class A common stock on the date of grant.

Prior to our initial public offering, our practice was to award our CEO, Mr. Coyne, option grants under the LTI program at irregular intervals. Certain of Mr. Coyne s options were historically granted at an exercise price above the then-current fair market value of our Class A common stock. In accordance with his employment agreement, beginning in 2010, Mr. Coyne is considered for option awards annually, with an exercise price at the then-current fair market value of our shares, in the same manner as other NEOs.

At the conclusion of a plan year, the Compensation Committee determines the aggregate number of options issuable to all eligible participants under the LTI program by evaluating the same performance goals used to determine the aggregate funding amount under the STI program.

See Analysis of 2010 Variable Compensation for a discussion of how we determined 2010 LTI awards for NEOs.

## 2010 Variable Compensation Performance Goals

The Compensation Committee established the following revenue growth and EBITDA Margin goals as the primary factors for determination of aggregate award pools available to all eligible employees, including our NEOs, under both the LTI and STI programs for 2010:

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		Revenue Growth	EBITDA Margin
Maximum		15%	43%
Superior		12%	41%
Target		10%	39%
Threshold		6%	37%
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During 2010, we achieved revenue growth of 10.8%, between the specified Target and Superior performance goals, and EBITDA Margin of 44.7%, which exceeded the Maximum performance goal. The Compensation Committee primarily considered the degree to which these goals were achieved, together with financial and nonfinancial performance measures including execution of our follow-on public offering, enhancements to productivity, achievement of new sales, accomplishment of strategic and operational initiatives, completion of acquisitions and development of strategic relationships in determining the aggregate LTI and STI pools. In assessing the revenue growth target, the Compensation Committee considered the Company s strong organic growth of 9.8% during 2010. The Compensation Committee established an STI pool of up to \$34.5 million for distribution to more than 2,900 eligible employees (including NEOs other than Mr. Coyne) and an aggregate LTI pool of equity awards with an aggregate value of \$19.5 million for distribution to approximately 235 eligible employees, including all NEOs.

See Table 5 provided under Notes Regarding the Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures in our Earnings Release dated February 28, 2011. The Earnings Release is available under the Press Releases link under the Investors link at www.verisk.com. Information contained on our website is not incorporated by reference into this Proxy Statement or any other report filed with the SEC.

See Analysis of 2010 Variable Compensation for a discussion of how we determined 2010 LTI and STI awards for NEOs.

Analysis of 2010 Variable Compensation

For individual NEOs, cash awards under the STI program and option awards under the LTI program are highly variable and not systematic, and are not based on fixed target amounts. Individual awards are determined based on the subjective judgment of the Compensation Committee (in the case of Mr. Coyne) and of Mr. Coyne (with the concurrence of the Compensation Committee) in the case of other NEOs. There is no fixed relationship between an individual NEO s LTI and STI awards. In reaching their subjective determinations about aggregate compensation, the Compensation Committee and Mr. Coyne seek to allocate a meaningful portion of total compensation in the form of LTI awards in order to incent employees to create long-term value for our stockholders.

For individual NEOs, other than Mr. Coyne, the STI and LTI awards are made based on Mr. Coyne s subjective evaluation of their individual performance and on the analysis of prevailing market compensation levels described above. Factors considered include the successful operation of an NEO s business unit or functional department including, where applicable, enhancements to productivity and profitability, achievement of new sales, revenue generated from new products, accomplishment of strategic and operational initiatives, completion of acquisitions and development of strategic relationships. For NEOs other than Mr. Coyne, the additional factors described below were considered by Mr. Coyne and the Compensation Committee in determining their STI and LTI awards. The factors noted were not given any specific weights, but rather informed the subjective recommendation of Mr. Coyne regarding the contribution of each individual to our overall performance.

*Mr. Stephenson:* increased operational responsibility and achievement; the continued focus on our strategic initiatives; leadership in our business development initiatives, including the successful completion of three acquisitions/strategic alliances; and strong performance in positioning the company for successful future performance.

*Mr. Anquillare:* the strong performance rendered in connection with our follow-on public offering process; enhancement of our financing facilities during a difficult credit market; and strengthening of our finance staff and financial reporting and oversight.

*Mr. Thompson:* the strong execution in connection with our follow-on public offering process, and our acquisition and financing transactions; oversight of our public company reporting requirements; and oversight ensuring

compliance with laws, rules, regulations and values.

*Mr. McCarthy:* the enhancement in Business Development staff; improvement in process, the number and quality of opportunities; and the successful completion of three acquisitions/strategic alliances.

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The 2010 STI award to Mr. Coyne was determined based upon the Compensation Committee s evaluation of Company performance and subjective evaluation of several nonfinancial factors including Mr. Coyne s leadership in the follow-on public offering process, strong corporate performance and positioning the Company for success into the future. Pursuant to his Employment Agreement, Mr. Coyne is eligible for an annual STI award of from 100% to 300% of his base salary and an annual option grant of between 150% and 450% of his base salary. (See Employment Agreements.) In making its determination the Compensation Committee recognized Mr. Coyne s strong execution on strategy, growth in EBITDA and operating cash flows achieved by the Company, strong revenue performance, especially the strong organic revenue growth achieved in a difficult economic environment, effective transition to public company status and execution of our follow-on offering.

The amount of any annual increase in base salary, STI or LTI award is based on the subjective evaluation of the Compensation Committee in the case of Mr. Coyne, and of Mr. Coyne (with the approval of the Compensation Committee) in the case of other NEOs. Although the Company s financial performance is a factor taken into consideration, the specific amount of an increase in any component of an NEO s 2010 compensation is not tied directly to any overall Company financial performance metric but rather reflects a subjective determination by the Compensation Committee or Mr. Coyne, as the case may be, that the amount of the increase is appropriate based on the matters considered as set forth above.

# Health, Welfare and Retirement Plans

We offer health and welfare benefit programs including medical, dental, life, accident and disability insurance. The Company contributes a percentage of the cost of these benefits. These benefits are available to substantially all employees, and the percentage of the Company s contribution is the same for all.

Our tax-qualified retirement plans include:

a combined 401(k) Savings Plan and ESOP,

a defined benefit pension plan with (i) a traditional final pay formula applicable to employees who were 49 years old with 15 years of service as of January 1, 2002, and (ii) a cash balance formula applicable to other employees hired prior to March 1, 2005, and

a profit sharing plan (as a component of the 401(k) Savings Plan) which is available to employees hired on or after March 1, 2005.

Our nonqualified retirement plans include a supplemental pension and savings (401(k)) plan for highly compensated employees. The combined 401(k) Savings Plan and ESOP and the pension/profit sharing plans are broad-based plans available to substantially all of our employees, including our NEOs. The supplemental retirement plans are offered to our highly paid employees, including our NEOs, to restore to them amounts to which they would be entitled under our tax-qualified plans but which they are precluded from receiving under those plans by IRS limits. The supplemental retirement plans are unsecured obligations of the Company.

We established our ESOP at the time we converted from not-for-profit to for-profit status, in order to foster an ownership culture in the Company and to strengthen the link between compensation and value created for stockholders. This plan has enabled our employees to hold an ownership interest in the Company as well as provide a stock vehicle for Company matching contributions to our 401(k) and profit sharing plans, which has allowed employees to monitor directly, and profit from, the increasing value of our stock since our conversion in 1997.

# Use of Comparative Compensation Data

To ensure that our compensation levels remain reasonable and competitive, the Compensation Committee engaged Cook to provide consulting services in 2010. In 2010, Cook advised the Compensation Committee on matters including the compensation of senior management. We have used comparative data available from market surveys conducted by Cook as one component in our decision making process relating to the base salary and STI and LTI awards for our executive team.

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# Employment Agreements; Change of Control Severance Agreements

We do not currently have employment agreements with any of our NEOs except Mr. Coyne. The Company entered into an employment agreement with Mr. Coyne in September 2009, pursuant to which Mr. Coyne is entitled to receive an annual base salary of one million dollars. Mr. Coyne is eligible for an annual STI award in an amount ranging from 100% to 300% of his base salary, depending on the achievement of performance criteria to be established by the Compensation Committee. In addition, the employment agreement entitles Mr. Coyne to receive annual option grants to purchase shares of our Class A common stock. Each annual option grant would have a value (based upon a Black Scholes valuation) ranging between 150% and 450% of his base salary.

The employment agreement provides that if Mr. Coyne s employment is terminated by the Company without cause, or by him for good reason, he will be entitled to a severance payment equal to the lesser of (i) 400% of his current base salary, paid in 24 monthly installments or (ii) monthly payments of 1/6th of his current base salary for each month remaining from the date of termination to the end of the original term of his employment agreement (December 31, 2012).

For information with respect to Mr. Coyne s change of control provisions in his employment agreement, please see Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change in Control.

In October 2009, in connection with our IPO, we entered into Change of Control Severance Agreements with each of our other NEOs. We believe that these agreements are desirable to retain the services of these individuals in whom the Company has a significant investment. For information about the provisions of the NEOs change of control severance agreements, please see Potential Payments upon Termination or Change in Control.

# Impact of prior equity awards on current compensation

In general, we do not take into account prior equity grants, ESOP balances or amounts realized on the exercise or vesting of prior option grants in determining the number of options to be granted, because we believe we should pay an annualized market value for an executive s position, sized according to the performance level of the individual in the position. The Compensation Committee does consider prior equity grants (and related wealth accumulations) of executives in assessing the recruitment/retention risk for executives.

# Stock Ownership Requirements for Executives

Senior executives are subject to minimum equity holding requirements. The CEO is required to hold stock and in-the-money options with a value equal to 200% of his annual salary plus an STI target. The other NEOs are required to hold stock and in-the-money options with a value equal to 100% of their annual salary plus an STI target. This requirement must be met no later than the third anniversary of the executive s first becoming an officer. As of December 31, 2010, Messrs. Coyne, Stephenson, Anquillare, and Thompson each held common stock and in-the-money options in excess of the requirements. Mr. McCarthy joined the Company in 2009 and will be required to meet this requirement in 2012.

# **Compensation Committee Report**

We, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of Verisk Analytics, Inc., have reviewed and discussed with management the Compensation Discussion and Analysis above. Based on the review and discussions, the Compensation Committee recommended to the Board that the Compensation Discussion and Analysis be included in this Proxy Statement and incorporated by reference into the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

John F. Lehman, Jr. (Chair) Glen A. Dell Constantine P. Iordanou David B. Wright

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# **Executive Compensation and Benefits**

The following table sets forth information concerning the compensation paid to and earned by the Company s NEOs for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2009 and 2010.

# 2010 SUMMARY COMPENSATION TABLE

				Nonequity Incentive	Change in Pension Value and Nonqualifie Deferred		
Name and Principal Position	Year	Salary (\$)	Option Awards (\$)(1)		-	on All Other Compensation (\$)	Total (\$)
Frank J. Coyne Chairman and Chief Executive Officer	2010 2009 2008	1,000,000 1,000,000 1,036,154	2,610,000 7,332,125	3,000,000 3,000,000 2,800,000	466,887 233,371 401,539	67,945(3) 71,065(4) 59,691(5)	7,144,832 11,636,561 4,297,384
Mark V. Anquillare Executive Vice President and and Chief Financial Officer	2010 2009 2008	392,692 349,231 303,462	913,500 2,463,255 818,877	500,000 430,000 400,000	112,539 93,798 86,594	11,452(6) 11,384(7) 10,641(8)	1,930,183 3,347,668 1,619,574
Scott G. Stephenson President and Chief Operating Officer	2010 2009 2008	475,385 455,385 451,539	1,174,500 2,932,470 1,125,956	820,000 740,000 675,000	113,464 94,124 92,011	44,791(9) 46,726(10) 49,758(11)	2,628,140 4,268,705 2,394,264
Kenneth E. Thompson Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary	2010 2009 2008	392,692 382,692 385,385	687,300 2,005,773 614,158	425,000 365,000 350,000		11,971(12) 11,943(13) 10,928(14)	1,516,963 2,765,407 1,360,471
Vincent d. P. McCarthy(15) Senior Vice President, Corporate Development and Strategy	2010	377,692	609,000	420,000		11,615(16)	1,418,307

<sup>(1)</sup> This column represents the aggregate grant date fair value of stock option awards granted in the relevant fiscal year, computed in accordance with ASC Subtopic 718-10, *Compensation-Stock Compensation* (ASC Topic 718), excluding forfeiture estimates. For a discussion of the assumptions used to calculate the amounts shown in the option awards columns, see note 16 of the notes to our audited consolidated financial statements included as

- part of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010.
- (2) The amounts in this column are cash incentive awards under the STI program in respect of performance for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2009 and 2010, as applicable.
- (3) Amount includes \$16,429 for life insurance premiums, a 401(k) Savings Plan matching contribution of \$11,025 and \$40,491 for costs of personal benefits, including club memberships and an automobile allowance.
- (4) Amount includes \$16,429 for life insurance premiums, a 401(k) Savings Plan matching contribution of \$12,375 and \$42,261 for costs of personal benefits, including club memberships and an automobile allowance.
- (5) Amount includes \$16,429 for life insurance premiums, a 401(k) Savings Plan matching contribution of \$10,350 and \$32,912 for costs of personal benefits, including club memberships and an automobile allowance.
- (6) Amount includes a 401(k) Savings Plan matching contribution of \$10,835.
- (7) Amount includes a 401(k) Savings Plan matching contribution of \$11,025.
- (8) Amount includes a 401(k) Savings Plan matching contribution of \$10,350.

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- (9) Amount includes a 401(k) Savings Plan matching contribution of \$11,025 and \$32,592 for costs of personal benefits including commutation via commercial air carrier between the Company s headquarters and the executive s home and temporary living quarters near the Company s headquarters. Costs of commercial air travel were determined using average rates incurred for such travel.
- (10) Amount includes a 401(k) Savings Plan matching contribution of \$11,025 and \$34,582 for costs of personal benefits including commutation via commercial air carrier between the Company s headquarters and the executive s home and temporary living quarters near the Company s headquarters. Costs of commercial air travel were determined using average rates incurred for such travel.
- (11) Amount includes a 401(k) Savings Plan matching contribution of \$10,350 and \$38,355 for costs of personal benefits, including commutation via commercial air carrier between the Company s headquarters and the executive s home and temporary living quarters near the Company s headquarters of \$25,891. Costs of commercial air travel were determined using average rates incurred for such travel.
- (12) Amount includes a 401(k) Savings Plan matching contribution of \$11,025.
- (13) Amount includes a 401(k) Savings Plan matching contribution of \$11,025.
- (14) Amount includes a 401(k) Savings Plan matching contribution of \$10,350.
- (15) Mr. McCarthy s employment with the Company commenced on October 6, 2009.
- (16) Amount includes a 401(k) Savings Plan matching contribution of \$11,025.

# **Grants of Plan-Based Awards**

The following table sets forth information concerning grants of plan-based awards made to the NEOs during the Company s fiscal year ended December 31, 2010. We generally grant options in April under our 2009 Equity Incentive Plan, based on performance for the prior year. However, due to SEC regulations, the options shown in this table as granted on April 1, 2010 relate to 2009 performance, and we consider them to be part of the NEOs 2009 compensation.

# 2010 GRANTS OF PLAN BASED AWARDS

Name	Grant Date	Approval Date	All Other Option Awards: Number of Securities Underlying Options	Exercise or Base Price of Option Awards (\$/Sh)	Grant Date Fair Value of Stock and Option Awards (\$)
Frank J. Coyne	April 1, 2010	December 16, 2009	300,000	28.20	2,610,000
Mark V. Anquillare	April 1, 2010	March 3, 2010	105,000	28.20	913,500
Scott G. Stephenson	April 1, 2010	March 3, 2010	135,000	28.20	1,174,500
Kenneth E. Thompson	April 1, 2010	March 3, 2010	79,000	28.20	687,300

Vincent d. P. McCarthy April 1, 2010 March 3, 2010 70,000 28.20 609,000

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# **Outstanding Equity Awards at Fiscal Year End**

The following table sets forth information concerning unexercised options held by our NEOs as of the end of the Company s fiscal year ended 2010. None of our NEOs holds equity award other than options with respect to our stock.

# 2010 OUTSTANDING EQUITY AWARDS AT FISCAL YEAR-END

	Option Awards(1)					
		Number of Securities Underlying	Number of Securities Underlying			
	Date of	Unexercised	Unexercised	Option		
	Option	Options (#)	Options (#)	Exercise	Option	
	•	•	•		Expiration	
Name	Grant	Exercisable	Unexercisable	Price (\$)	Date	
Frank J. Coyne	12/18/2002	2,408,000		3.10	12/18/2012	
	6/29/2005	2,500,000		8.40	6/29/2015	
	10/6/2009		909,091	22.00	10/6/2019	
	4/1/2010		300,000	28.20	4/1/2020	
Mark V. Anquillare	3/1/2003	250,000		2.88	3/1/2013	
	3/1/2004	250,000		4.62	3/1/2014	
	3/1/2005	125,000		8.74	3/1/2015	
	3/1/2006	105,000		11.30	3/1/2016	
	3/1/2007	78,750	26,250	15.10	3/1/2017	
	6/30/2007	11,250	3,750	16.72	6/30/2017	
	3/1/2008	100,000	100,000	17.24	3/1/2018	
	4/1/2009	56,250	168,750	16.10	4/1/2019	
	10/6/2009	50,000	150,000	22.00	10/6/2019	
	4/1/2010		105,000	28.20	4/1/2020	
Scott G. Stephenson	3/1/2003	937,500		2.88	3/1/2013	
-	3/1/2004	650,000		4.62	3/1/2014	
	3/1/2005	400,000		8.74	3/1/2015	
	3/1/2006	270,000		11.30	3/1/2016	
	3/1/2007	195,000	65,000	15.10	3/1/2017	
	3/1/2008	137,500	137,500	17.24	3/1/2018	
	4/1/2009	71,875	215,625	16.10	4/1/2019	
	10/6/2009	56,250	168,750	22.00	10/6/2019	
	4/1/2010	,	135,000	28.20	4/1/2020	
Kenneth E. Thompson	10/2/2006	200,000	,	13.62	10/2/2016	
1	3/1/2007	75,000	25,000	15.10	3/1/2017	
	3/1/2008	75,000	75,000	17.24	3/1/2018	
	4/1/2009	41,250	123,750	16.10	4/1/2019	
	10/6/2009	43,750	131,250	22.00	10/6/2019	
	4/1/2010	,	79,000	28.20	4/1/2020	
Vincent d. P. McCarthy	10/6/2009	18,750	56,250	22.00	10/6/2019	
	4/1/2010	10,,20	70,000	28.20	4/1/2020	

(1) The right to exercise stock options vests ratably on the first, second, third and fourth anniversaries of the date of grant for options granted to NEOs other than Mr. Coyne. A portion of Mr. Coyne s options with an exercise

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price above the grant date fair market value vested immediately. Mr. Coyne s options granted in October 2009 in connection with our IPO vest in full on December 31, 2012.

# **Option Exercises and Stock Vested**

The following table sets forth information concerning each exercise of stock options for the NEOs during 2010. None of our NEOs holds restricted stock or restricted stock unit awards.

### 2010 OPTION EXERCISES AND STOCK VESTED

	Option Awards				
Name	Number of Shares Acquired on Exercise (#)	Value Realized on Exercise (\$)			
Name	Acquired on Exercise (ii)	Ελει είσε (ψ)			
Frank J. Coyne	2,513,450	64,881,894			
Mark V. Anquillare	150,000	3,783,500			
Scott G. Stephenson					
Kenneth E. Thompson					
Vincent d. P. McCarthy					

### **Pension Plans**

The following table sets forth information with respect to each plan that provides for payments or other benefits at, following, or in connection with retirement.

Eligible employees hired prior to March 1, 2005 participate in the Pension Plan for Insurance Organizations, or PPIO, a multiple-employer pension plan in which we participate. The PPIO provides a traditional final pay formula pension benefit, payable as an annuity, to employees who were 49 years old with 15 years of service as of January 1, 2002. Effective January 1, 2002, this formula benefit was frozen for all eligible employees. Effective January 1, 2002, a cash balance pension benefit, also payable as an annuity, was established under the PPIO. Employees hired prior to January 1, 2002 receive their frozen traditional benefit as well as their cash balance benefit. Employees hired from January 1, 2002 to March 1, 2005 receive only the cash balance benefit. The Supplemental Cash Balance Plan and Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan, or the Supplemental Plan, provides a benefit to which the participant would be entitled under the PPIO but which is subject to caps imposed by IRS regulations. Employees hired on or after March 1, 2005 are not eligible to participate in the PPIO or the Supplemental Plan.

# **2010 PENSION BENEFITS**

		Number of Years Credited	Accumulated	Payments During Last Fiscal	
Name	Plan Name	Service (#)	Benefit (\$)	Year (\$)	
Frank J. Coyne	PPIO Supplemental Plan	12 12	228,523 2,401,184		

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Mark V. Anquillare	PPIO	18	270,462				
_	Supplemental Plan	18	290,733				
Scott G. Stephenson	PPIO	10	143,204				
	Supplemental Plan	10	496,420				
Kenneth E. Thompson	NA	NA	NA	NA			
Vincent d. P. McCarthy	NA	NA	NA	NA			
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# **Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Table**

The following table sets forth information with respect to each defined contribution or other plan that provides for the deferral of compensation on a basis that is not tax-qualified.

# 2010 NONQUALIFIED DEFERRED COMPENSATION

	Executive	Registrant Contributions	Aggregate	Aggregate	Aggregate Balance at
Name	Contributions in Last FY (\$)(1)	in Last FY (\$)	Earnings in Last FY (\$)	Withdrawals/ Distributions (\$)	End of Last FY (\$)
Frank J. Coyne	45,196		144,012		1,171,023
Mark V. Anquillare	11,010		25,038		208,809
Scott G. Stephenson	15,173				181,643
Kenneth E. Thompson	3,342		6,326		47,470
Vincent d. P. McCarthy	2,631				2,631

(1) All amounts shown are also included in the 2010 Summary Compensation table in the Salary and/or Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation column.

# **Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change in Control**

Below is a description of the arrangements in place applicable to the NEOs relating to payments upon termination or change in control, other than severance payments upon termination (other than for cause) available to all salaried employees.

Mr. Coyne s employment agreement provides that in the event Mr. Coyne s employment is involuntarily terminated by the Company without cause or is voluntarily terminated by Mr. Coyne for good reason, he will be entitled to (i) any unpaid salary (ii) any unpaid bonus earned prior to the termination (iii) a pro rata portion of his incentive award and (iv) a separation payment equal to the lesser of (a) 400% of his current base compensation, paid in 24 monthly installments or (b) monthly payments of 1/6th of his current base compensation for each month remaining from the termination date to the end of the original term of the agreement (December 31, 2012). If Mr. Coyne s employment terminates as a result of his death or disability, the agreement provides for similar payments, except for clause (iv), which would not be paid. In the event of his disability, he would be paid a lump sum payment of 200% of his then current base compensation, plus his minimum target incentive award for the year of termination.

The employment agreement with Mr. Coyne provides that if Mr. Coyne s employment is terminated by the Company without cause or by him for good reason, which are defined in the agreement, within two years following a change in control, as defined in section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code, the payment described in clause (iv) would be paid in lump sum and the payment referred to in clause (iii) would be equal the minimum target incentive award.

Receipt of these benefits would be conditioned upon Mr. Coyne executing a general release of claims against the Company, and complying with confidentiality, noncompete and nonsolicitation agreements.

If Mr. Coyne s employment is terminated for cause, the Company will have no other obligations under his employment agreement except to pay any unpaid salary and unpaid bonus.

In addition, in October 2009, in connection with our IPO, the Company entered into Change in Control Severance Agreements with the other NEOs. These agreements incorporate provisions for payments to be made to the NEOs upon termination of their employment. Payments will be due in the event the NEO s employment is involuntarily terminated by the Company without cause, or is voluntarily terminated by the NEO for good reason, which are defined in the agreements, within a two-year period following a change in control.

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These agreements provide that, upon a qualifying termination event, an NEO (other than Mr. Coyne) will be entitled to:

- (i) a pro rata STI award;
- (ii) a severance payment equal to the NEO s base salary plus a target bonus amount times two;
- (iii) continuation of health benefits (at the NEOs expense) for 18 months; and
- (iv) immediate vesting of any remaining unvested options.

The severance and pro rata bonus amounts will be payable in cash, in a lump sum for NEOs other than Mr. Coyne. Receipt of these benefits is conditioned upon the NEO executing a general release of claims against the Company, and complying with confidentiality, noncompete and nonsolicitation agreements for a period of 24 months. If these agreements had been in place at December 31, 2010, in the event of a qualifying termination Mr. Coyne would be entitled to cash payments totaling \$5,000,000, Mr. Stephenson would be entitled to cash payments totaling \$1,382,500, Mr. Thompson would be entitled to cash payments totaling \$1,382,500, and Mr. McCarthy would be entitled to cash payments totaling \$1,330,000. Mr. Coyne s employment agreement provides for payments to him upon his death or disability (as defined in the employment agreement). If Mr. Coyne had died or become disabled on December 31, 2010, he would have been entitled to death or disability payments of \$1,000,000 or \$3,000,000, respectively.

The Verisk Analytics, Inc. 2009 Equity Incentive Plan, provides that the Compensation Committee will determine and set forth in each award agreement whether any awards granted in such award agreement will continue to be exercisable, continue to vest or be earned and the terms of such exercise, vesting or earning, on and after the date that a participant ceases to be employed by or to provide services to us (including as a director), whether by reason of death, disability, voluntary or involuntary termination of employment or services, or otherwise. The award agreements with respect to currently outstanding options held by the NEOs under the Incentive Plan provide that in the event of the NEO s death, disability (as defined under the Incentive Plan), retirement (as defined under the Incentive Plan), or termination of employment for good reason or without cause (each as defined under the Incentive Plan), within two years following a change in control, the options will become immediately exercisable with respect to the number of unexercised shares covered by the option. Based on the closing price of our Class A common stock on December 31, 2010 and the number of options that would become vested for our NEOs, minus the exercise price of those options, in the event of a qualifying termination on December 31, 2010, the acceleration of option vesting would have a value of \$12,745,819 for Mr. Coyne, \$10,258,438 for Mr. Stephenson, \$7,710,870 for Mr. Anquillare, \$6,012,545 for Mr. Thompson, and \$1,091,100 for Mr. McCarthy.

# Risk Policies

Our compensation program is designed to reward our employees for positive results and to incent our employees to create long-term value for our stockholders. Our program is designed and administered with the intention of providing balanced incentives that do not encourage excessive or inappropriate risk taking. We believe the annual establishment by the Compensation Committee of performance goals for our variable compensation programs is consistent with our program s goals.

# CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS

# **Customer Relationships**

All of the Shareholders who own or owned greater than five percent of our Class B common stock at any time since March 31, 2011 purchase solutions from both our Risk Assessment and Decision Analytics segments. They purchase our solutions in the ordinary course of business pursuant to agreements on terms substantially similar and not more favorable to those in our agreements with other customers purchasing the same solutions. The agreements provide them with a nonexclusive nontransferable license to use our solutions and are in effect until the customer chooses to discontinue the use of our solutions. Our customers provide us with data in connection with some of the

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solutions they purchase from us. Shareholders who own or owned greater than five percent of our Class B common stock at any time since March 31, 2011 provide us with data in connection with those solutions on terms substantially similar and not more favorable to those under which our other customers supply us similar data.

In 2010, we received fees from American Financial Group, Inc. of \$5,841,590; Berkshire Hathaway Inc. of \$2,636,011; Old Republic Asset Management of \$2,933,419; CNA Financial Corporation of \$11,420,854; The Travelers Companies, Inc. of \$36,352,053; W. R. Berkley Corporation of \$5,885,118; and Arch Capital Group Limited of \$2,606,829.

In 2010, in connection with our purchase of insurance coverage we also paid fees to American Financial Group, Inc., of \$76,109; Brown & Brown, Inc. of \$622,560; and CNA Financial Corporation of \$467,186.

J. Hyatt Brown, one of our Class A directors, is the Chairman of the Board and former Chief Executive Officer of Brown & Brown, Inc. Samuel G. Liss, one of our Class B directors served, from April 2004 to July 2010, as Executive Vice President at The Travelers Companies. Thomas F. Motamed, one of our Class B directors, is the Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of CNA Financial Corporation. Constantine P. Iordanou, one of our Class B Directors, is the President and Chief Executive Officer of Arch Capital Group Limited.

# **Letter Agreements**

We have entered into letter agreements with each of our directors and executive officers whereby each has agreed that, subject to certain exceptions, 50% of their Class A common stock not previously sold in a registered public offering may not be sold until April 6, 2011 and the remaining percentage of their shares not previously sold in a registered public offering may not be sold until October 6, 2011. In addition, our directors and executive officers have agreed that during the time periods described above, they will not execute any hedging agreement or swap or any other arrangement that transfers or disposes of, directly or indirectly, any of their shares or any securities convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for such stock or any of the economic consequences of ownership of their shares, whether settled in cash or stock. Any of our directors or executive officers having reached the age of 70 will no longer be restricted from selling their shares pursuant to such letter agreements.

# **Family Relationships**

We employ Michael Coyne as President of our Verisk Health subsidiary. In 2010, Mr. Coyne received salary and bonus of \$357,308, received options to purchase 14,000 shares of our Class A common stock with a grant date fair value of \$121,800, and received a 401k Savings Plan matching contribution of \$10,454. Mr. Coyne is the son of Frank J. Coyne, our Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer. We believe that the compensation paid to Mr. Coyne was comparable with compensation paid to other employees with similar levels of responsibility and years of service.

We employ Christine Pia as Associate Counsel in our Law Department. In 2010, Ms. Pia received salary and bonus of \$132,390, and received a 401k Savings Plan matching contribution of \$3,415. Ms. Pia is the daughter of Frank J. Coyne, our Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer. We believe that the compensation paid to Ms. Pia was comparable with compensation paid to other employees with similar levels of responsibility and years of service.

#### **ESOP**

We established an ESOP funded with intercompany debt that includes 401(k), ESOP and profit sharing components to provide employees with equity participation. The trustee of the ESOP is GreatBanc Trust Company. The ESOP owns greater than five percent of our Class A common stock. We make quarterly cash contributions to the ESOP equal to

the debt service requirements. As the debt is repaid, shares are released to the ESOP to fund 401(k) matching and profit sharing contributions and the remainder is allocated annually to ESOP accounts of active employees in proportion to their eligible compensation in relation to total participant eligible compensation. On October 6, 2009 we made an accelerated cash contribution to permit the ESOP to prepay a portion of the indebtedness, resulting in an accelerated allocation of shares to active eligible employees. The amount of our ESOP costs recognized for the year ended December 31, 2010 was \$11.6 million.

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Voting rights with respect to shares of our Class A common stock owned by the ESOP are exercised by the trustee of the ESOP. The trustee is required to vote shares allocated to an ESOP participants—accounts as directed by the ESOP participant for all matters submitted to a vote of our Class A shareholders. Shares of stock not allocated to a participant s account may be voted in accordance with the discretion of the Trustee in the best interest of ESOP participants.

# **Statement of Policy Regarding Transactions with Related Persons**

Our Board of Directors has adopted a written statement of policy regarding transactions with related persons. Our related person policy requires that a related person (as defined as in paragraph (a) of Item 404 of Regulation S-K) must promptly disclose to the corporate secretary any related person transaction (defined as any transaction that is reportable by us under Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K in which we were or are to be a participant and the amount involved exceeds \$120,000 and in which any related person had or will have a direct or indirect material interest) and all material facts with respect thereto. The corporate secretary will then promptly communicate that information to the Board of Directors or the designated Board committee. No related person transaction will be consummated without the approval or ratification of the Board of Directors or any committee of the Board of Directors consisting exclusively of disinterested directors. The Board of Directors has designated the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee to approve any related person transaction. It is our policy that directors interested in a related person transaction will recuse themselves from any vote of a related person transaction in which they have an interest.

# ITEM 2 ADVISORY, NON-BINDING VOTE ON THE COMPENSATION OF THE COMPANY S NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

Pursuant to the requirements under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Action (the Dodd-Frank Act ) and Section 14A of the Securities Exchange Act, the Board of Directors is providing shareholders with the opportunity to cast an advisory, non-binding vote on executive compensation ( say-on-pay ) through the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, that the compensation paid to the Company s named executive officers, as disclosed in the Company s Proxy Statement for the 2011 Annual Meeting of Shareholders pursuant to Item 402 of Regulation S-K, including the Compensation Discussion and Analysis, compensation tables and narrative discussion, is hereby APPROVED.

Because your vote is advisory, it will not be binding on the Board of Directors and will not overrule any decision by the Board of Directors or require the Board of Directors to take any action. However, the Board of Directors and the Compensation Committee will take into account the outcome of the say-on-pay vote when considering future executive compensation decisions for named executive officers.

The Compensation Committee believes that the Company's compensation programs and policies and the compensation decisions for 2010 described in this Proxy Statement, including the Compensation Discussion and Analysis, appropriately reward our named executive officers for their and the Company's performance and will assist the Company in retaining our senior leadership team. You are strongly encouraged to read the full details of our executive compensation programs and policies under the section titled **Executive Compensation** above.

Our Board unanimously recommends a vote FOR the approval of the compensation of the Company's named executive officers as disclosed in this Proxy Statement. Proxies solicited by the Board will be voted FOR this resolution unless otherwise instructed. Broker non-votes will not be counted in determining the results of the vote.

# ITEM 3

# ADVISORY, NON-BINDING VOTE ON THE FREQUENCY OF ADVISORY VOTES ON THE COMPENSATION OF THE COMPANY S NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

Pursuant to the requirements under the Dodd-Frank Act and Section 14A of the Securities Exchange Act, the Board of Directors is required to submit an advisory, non-binding resolution to shareholders at least once every six years to determine whether advisory votes on executive compensation should be held every one, two or three years. In satisfaction of this requirement, we are asking shareholders to vote on whether future say-on-pay votes of the nature reflected in Proposal Item 2 above should occur every one, two or three years. If you have no preference, you may abstain.

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The optimal frequency of vote necessarily turns on a judgment about the relative benefits and burdens of each of the options. There have been diverging views expressed on this question and the Board believes there is a reasonable basis for each of the options.

Some have argued for a longer period between say-on-pay votes. They point out that a less frequent vote would allow shareholders to focus on overall design issues rather than details of individual decisions, would align with the goal of the Company s compensation programs which are designed to reward performance that promotes long-term shareholder value, and would avoid the burden that annual votes would impose on shareholders required to evaluate the compensation programs of a large number of companies each year.

Others believe that an annual vote is needed to give shareholders the opportunity to react promptly to emerging trends in compensation, provide feedback before those trends become pronounced over time, and give the Board and the Compensation Committee the opportunity to evaluate individual compensation decisions each year in light of the ongoing feedback from shareholders.

After careful consideration, the Board has determined that holding an advisory vote on executive compensation every year is the most appropriate policy for the Company at this time, and recommends that shareholders vote for future advisory votes on executive compensation to occur every year.

This advisory vote on the frequency of future say-on-pay votes is non-binding on the Board. Shareholders are not voting to approve or disapprove the Board s recommendation. Although non-binding, the Board and the Compensation Committee will take into account the outcome of the say-on-pay frequency vote when considering how often to hold the say-on-pay vote.

Our Board unanimously recommends that you vote for the ONE YEAR frequency option which indicates your preference to have say-on-pay votes held once every year. Proxies solicited by the Board will be voted for the ONE YEAR frequency option unless otherwise instructed. Broker non-votes will not be counted in determining the results of the vote.

# ITEM 4 RATIFICATION OF THE APPOINTMENT OF VERISK S INDEPENDENT AUDITOR

The Audit Committee appointed Deloitte & Touche LLP (Deloitte & Touche) as independent auditors for 2011 and presents this selection to the shareholders for ratification. Deloitte & Touche will audit our consolidated financial statements for 2011 and perform other permissible, preapproved services.

A Deloitte & Touche representative will attend the annual meeting to respond to your questions and will have the opportunity to make a statement. If shareholders do not ratify the appointment, the Audit Committee will reconsider it.

Our Board unanimously recommends a vote FOR the ratification of Deloitte & Touche s appointment as our independent auditor. Proxies solicited by the Board will be voted FOR this ratification unless otherwise instructed.

*Independent Auditor s Fees.* The following table summarizes the aggregate fees (including related expenses; in thousands) incurred in 2010 and 2009 for professional services provided by Deloitte & Touche.

Audit fees(1) 2010 2009

\$ 1,778 \$ 1,437

Audit-related fees(2) Tax fees	56 25	45 64
All other fees	42	15
Total	\$ 1,901	\$ 1,561

(1) Audit fees consisted of fees incurred for (i) audits of our consolidated financial statements included in our Registration Statements on Form S-1 and Form S-3 and in our Annual Report on Form 10-K and related services, (ii) reviews of the interim condensed consolidated financial statements included in our quarterly

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financial statements, (iii) comfort letters, consents and other services related to SEC and other regulatory filings, and (iv) accounting consultations.

(2) Audit-related fees consisted of fees billed for tax consultations related to the audits.

# Preapproval Policy of the Audit Committee of Services Performed by Independent Auditors

The Audit Committee has implemented preapproval policies and procedures related to the provision of audit and nonaudit services by the independent auditors to ensure that the services do not impair the auditor s independence. Under these procedures, the Audit Committee preapproves both the type of services to be provided by the independent auditors and the estimated fees related to those services. During the preapproval process, the Audit Committee considers the impact of the types of services and the related fees on the independence of the auditor. Even if a service has received general preapproval, if it involves a fee in excess of \$100,000 or relates to tax planning and advice, it requires a separate preapproval, which may be delegated to the Chairman of the Audit Committee so long as the entire Audit Committee is informed at its next meeting. The services and fees must be deemed compatible with the maintenance of the auditor s independence, including compliance with SEC and NASDAQ rules and regulations.

# **AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT**

The Audit Committee operates under a written charter adopted by the Board. The charter is available on our website at the Corporate Governance link under the Investors link at www.verisk.com. Information contained on our website is not incorporated by reference into this Proxy Statement or any other report filed with the SEC. The Audit Committee is responsible for the oversight of the integrity of the Company s consolidated financial statements, the Company s system of internal control over financial reporting, the Company s risk management, the qualifications and independence of the Company s independent registered public accounting firm (independent auditor), the performance of the Company s internal auditor and independent auditor and the Company s compliance with legal and regulatory requirements. The Audit Committee has the sole authority and responsibility to appoint, compensate, evaluate and, when appropriate, replace the Company s independent auditor. In making such determinations, the Audit Committee considers, among other things, the recommendations of management of the Company. The Board has determined that all of the Audit Committee s members are independent under the applicable independence standards of the NASDAQ and the Exchange Act.

The Audit Committee serves in an oversight capacity and is not part of the Company s managerial or operational decision-making process. Management is responsible for the financial reporting process, including the system of internal controls, and the preparation of consolidated financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. The Company s independent auditor, Deloitte & Touche, is responsible for auditing those financial statements and expressing an opinion as to their conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States and expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company s internal control over financial reporting. Our responsibility is to oversee the financial reporting process and the Company s internal control over financial reporting. We rely, without independent verification, on the information provided to us and on the representations made by management, the internal auditor and the independent auditor.

The Audit Committee held seven meetings during 2010. With respect to 2010, the Audit Committee, among other things:

reviewed and discussed the Company s quarterly earnings release;

reviewed and discussed the (i) quarterly unaudited consolidated financial statements and related notes and the (ii) audited consolidated financial statements and related notes for the year ended December 31, 2010 with

management and Deloitte & Touche;

reviewed and discussed the annual plan and scope of work of the independent auditor;

reviewed and discussed the annual plan and scope of work of the internal auditor and summaries of significant reports to management by the internal auditor;

met with Deloitte & Touche, the internal auditor, the General Counsel and Company management in executive sessions;

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reviewed and discussed certain critical accounting policies; and

reviewed business and financial market conditions, including an assessment of risks posed to Verisk s operations and financial condition.

We discussed with Deloitte & Touche matters that independent registered public accounting firms must discuss with audit committees under generally accepted auditing standards and standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, including, among other things, matters related to the conduct of the audit of the Company s consolidated financial statements and the matters required to be discussed by the statement on Auditing Standards No. 61, as amended (AICPA, Professional Standards, Vol. 1, AU Section 380), as adopted by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board ( PCAOB ) and SEC Rule 2-07 of Regulation S-X. This review included a discussion with management and the independent auditor of the quality (not merely the acceptability) of the Company s accounting principles, the reasonableness of significant estimates and judgments, and the disclosures in the Company s consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures relating to critical accounting policies.

Deloitte & Touche also provided to the Audit Committee the written disclosures and the letter required by applicable requirements of PCAOB Ethics and Independence Rule 3526, Communication with Audit Committees Concerning Independence, regarding its communications with us concerning independence, and represented that it is independent from the Company. We discussed with Deloitte & Touche their independence from the Company and considered if services they provided to the Company beyond those rendered in connection with their audit of the Company s consolidated financial statements, and reviews of the Company s interim condensed consolidated financial statements included in its Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q compromise independence.

During 2010, we also received regular updates on the amount of fees and scope of audit and audit-related services provided. Pursuant to the preapproval policies and procedures related to the provision of audit and non-audit services by the independent auditors as described above under Preapproval Policy of the Audit Committee of Services Performed by Independent Auditors, we preapproved the hiring of Deloitte & Touche to provide non-audit services primarily related to expatriate income tax services and regulatory filings for our foreign subsidiaries.

Based on our review and these meetings, discussions and reports discussed above, and subject to the limitations on our role and responsibilities referred to above and in the Audit Committee charter, we recommended to the Board that the Company s audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2010 be included in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K. We also selected Deloitte & Touche as the Company s independent auditor for 2011 and are presenting the selection to the shareholders for ratification.

Respectfully submitted,

Glen A. Dell, (Chair) Christopher M. Foskett Samuel G. Liss Andrew G. Mills Thomas Motamed David B. Wright

# **Other Matters**

Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance. Based solely upon our review of forms filed by our directors and executive officers during the most recent fiscal year, we believe that all required reports have been

timely filed under the SEC s rules for reporting transactions by executive officers and directors in our common stock.

*Other Business*. We do not know of any other matters that may be presented for action at the meeting other than those described in this Proxy Statement. If any other matter is properly brought before the meeting, the proxy holders will vote on such matter in their discretion.

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Shareholder Nominations for Director Candidates. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee oversees searches for and identifies qualified individuals for membership on our Board. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee is written charter requires the Committee to review candidates qualifications for membership on the Board or a committee of the Board, including making a specific determination as to the independence of each candidate, based on the criteria approved by the Board (and taking into account the enhanced independence, financial literacy and financial expertise standards that may be required under law or NASDAQ rules for Audit Committee membership purposes). The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee is also required to review the composition of the Board and its committees in light of the current challenges and needs of the Board, the Company and each committee, and determine whether it may be appropriate to add or remove individuals after considering issues of judgment, diversity, age, skills, background and experience.

Shareholders of record complying with the notice procedures set forth below may make director recommendations for consideration by the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee. Shareholders may make recommendations at any time, but recommendations for consideration as nominees at the annual meeting of shareholders must be received not less than 60 days before nor more than 90 days prior to the first anniversary of the previous year—s annual meeting. Therefore, to submit a candidate for consideration for nomination at the 2012 annual meeting of shareholders, shareholders of record must submit the recommendation, in writing, no earlier than February 17, 2012, and no later than March 18, 2012. As required by our By-laws, the written notice must demonstrate that it is being submitted by a shareholder of record of Verisk and include information about each proposed director candidate, including name, age, business address, principal occupation, principal qualifications and other relevant biographical information. In addition, the shareholder must confirm his or her candidate—s consent to serve as a director. Shareholders must send recommendations to the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, c/o Kenneth E. Thompson, Corporate Secretary, Verisk Analytics, Inc., 545 Washington Blvd., Jersey City, NJ 07310-1686.

Shareholder Proposals for the 2012 Annual Meeting. Shareholders intending to present a proposal at the 2012 annual meeting and have it included in our proxy statement for that meeting must submit the proposal in writing to Kenneth E. Thompson, Corporate Secretary, Verisk Analytics, Inc., 545 Washington Blvd., Jersey City, NJ 07310-1686. We must receive the proposal no later than December 3, 2011.

Shareholders of record wishing to present a proposal at the 2012 annual meeting, but not requiring the proposal be included in our proxy statement must comply with the requirements set forth in our Bylaws. The Bylaws require, among other things, that our Secretary receive written notice from the record shareholder of intent to present such proposal or nomination no more than 90 days and no less than 60 days prior to the anniversary of the preceding year s annual meeting. Therefore, the Company must receive notice of such a proposal or nomination for the 2012 annual meeting no earlier than February 17, 2012, and no later than March 18, 2012. The notice must contain the information required by the Bylaws, a copy of which is available upon request to our Secretary.

Cost of Soliciting Your Proxy. We will pay the expenses for the preparation and mailing of the proxy materials and the solicitation by the Board of your proxy. Our directors, officers and employees, who will receive no additional compensation for soliciting, may solicit your proxy, in person or by telephone, mail, facsimile or other means of communication.

Shareholders Sharing an Address. Consistent with notices sent to record shareholders sharing a single address, we are sending only one Notice, Annual Report and Proxy Statement to that address unless we received contrary instructions from any shareholder at that address. This householding practice reduces our printing and postage costs. Shareholders may request or discontinue householding, or may request a separate copy of the Notice, Annual Report or Proxy Statement as follows:

Record shareholders wishing to discontinue or begin householding, should contact our Corporate Secretary, Kenneth E. Thompson, Verisk Analytics, Inc., 545 Washington Blvd., Jersey City, NJ 07310-1686.

Shareholders owning their shares through a bank, broker or other holder of record who wish to either discontinue or begin householding should contact their record holder.

Any householded shareholder may request prompt delivery of a copy of the Annual Report or Proxy Statement by contacting us at (201) 469-2142 or may write to us at Investor Relations, Verisk Analytics, Inc.,

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545 Washington Blvd., Jersey City, NJ 07310-1686. Instructions for requesting such materials are also included in the Notice.

Consent to Electronic Delivery of Annual Meeting Materials. Shareholders and ESOP participants can access this Proxy Statement and our Annual Report on Form 10-K via the Internet at www.proxyvote.com by following the instructions outlined on the secure web site. For future annual meetings of shareholders, shareholders can consent to accessing their proxy materials, including the Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials, the proxy statement and the annual report, electronically in lieu of receiving them by mail. To receive materials electronically you will need access to a computer and an e-mail account. To sign up for electronic delivery, when voting using the Internet at www.proxyvote.com, when prompted, indicate that you agree to receive or access proxy materials electronically in future years.

Registered shareholders that wish to revoke their request for electronic delivery at any time without charge should contact our Corporate Secretary, Kenneth E. Thompson, Verisk Analytics, Inc., 545 Washington Blvd., Jersey City, NJ 07310-1686 or contact us at (201) 469-2142.

If you hold your shares through a bank, brokerage firm or other nominee and you have not already done so, you can choose this electronic delivery option by contacting your nominee. You may update your electronic address by contacting your nominee.

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VERISK ANALYTICS, INC. 545 WASHINGTON BOULEVARD JERSEY CITY, NJ 07310-1686

# YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT! You can vote in one of three ways:

# **VOTE BY INTERNET - www.proxyvote.com**

Use the Internet to transmit your voting instructions and for electronic delivery of information up until 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time the day before the cut-off date or meeting date. Have your proxy card in hand when you access the web site and follow the instructions to obtain your records and to create an electronic voting instruction form.

# ELECTRONIC DELIVERY OF FUTURE PROXY MATERIALS

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.

# **VOTE BY PHONE - 1-800-690-6903**

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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.

TO VOTE, MARK BLOCKS BELOW IN BLUE OR BLACK INK AS FOLLOWS:

KEEP THIS PORTION FOR YOUR M32459-P07804 RECORDS

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# THIS PROXY CARD IS VALID ONLY WHEN SIGNED AND DATED.

For Withhold VERISK ANALYTICS, INC. For To withhold authority to vote for any individual nominee(s), All **Except** mark For All Except and write All THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS the number(s) of the RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR nominee(s) on the line below. ITEMS 1, 2 AND 4 AND FOR 1 YEAR

FOR ITEM 3.

**Vote On Election of Class A Directors** 

1. To elect to the Board of Directors.

# Nominees for a three-year term expiring in 2014:

- 01) Frank J. Covne
- 02) Christopher M. Foskett
- 03) David B. Wright

Vote on Proposals	1	For	Against	Abstain		
2. To approve, by non-binding vote, executive compensation.		o	o	O		
	1 Year Y		3 Years	Abstain		
3. To recommend, by non-binding vote, the frequency of executive compensation votes.	o	0	o	O		
	]	For	Against	Abstain		
4. To ratify the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as our independent auditor for the 2011 fiscal year.	ndent	0	O	0		
In their discretion, the proxies are authorized to vote upon such other business as may properly come before the meeting.  THE PROXY, WHEN PROPERLY EXECUTED, WILL BE VOTED IN THE MANNER DIRECTED HEREIN BY THE SHAREHOLDER. IF NO DIRECTION IS MADE, THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED FOR ITEMS 1, 2 AND 4 AND FOR 1 YEAR FOR ITEM 3.  (NOTE: Please sign exactly as your name(s) appear(s) hereon. All holders must sign. When signing as attorney, executor, administrator, or other fiduciary, please give full title as such. Joint owners should each sign personally. If a corporation, please sign in full corporate name, by authorized officer. If a partnership, please sign in partnership name by authorized person.)						
_	gnature (Joint I wners)	Date				

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<u>or</u>

2. Vote by Internet at our Internet Address: www.proxyvote.com

or

3. Mark, sign and date your proxy card and return it promptly in the enclosed envelope.

### PLEASE VOTE

# Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting:

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# VERISK ANALYTICS, INC. THIS PROXY IS SOLICITED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS TO BE HELD MAY 18, 2011

The undersigned shareholder of record hereby appoints Frank J. Coyne and Kenneth E. Thompson, and each of them, as Proxies, each with full power of substitution, and hereby authorizes each of them to represent and to vote, as designated on the reverse side, all the shares of Class A common stock of Verisk Analytics, Inc. (the Company) held of record by the undersigned as of March 21, 2011, at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held at 8:00 a.m., Eastern Time, at the Company s Headquarters, 545 Washington Blvd., Jersey City, NJ 07310 on May 18, 2011, or any adjournment thereof.

This instruction and proxy is also solicited by the Board of Directors of the Company for use at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders on May 18, 2011 at 8:00 a.m., Eastern Time from persons who participate in the ISO 401(k) Savings and Employee Stock Ownership Plan (the ESOP).

By signing this instruction and proxy card, the undersigned ESOP participant hereby instructs GreatBanc Trust Company, Trustee for the ESOP, to exercise the voting rights relating to any shares of Class A common stock of the Company allocable to his or her account(s) as of March 21, 2011. For the ESOP, the Trustee will vote shares that are not allocated to ESOP participants—accounts, or for which no instruction has been received, in its discretion, in the best interest of ESOP participants.

For shares voted by mail, this instruction and proxy card is to be returned to the tabulation agent (Broadridge, 51 Mercedes Way, Edgewood, NY 11717) by May 17, 2011. For shares voted by phone or Internet, the deadline is 11:59 p.m. eastern time on May 17, 2011.

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VERISK ANALYTICS, INC. 545 WASHINGTON BOULEVARD JERSEY CITY, NJ 07310-1686

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# THIS PROXY CARD IS VALID ONLY WHEN SIGNED AND DATED.

VERISK ANALYTICS, INC.	For	Withhold	For	To withhold authority to vote		
			All	for any individual nominee(s),		
	All	All	<b>Except</b>	mark For All Except and write		
<b>THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS</b> the number(s) of the				the number(s) of the		
<b>RECOMMENDS A VOTE</b> FOR nominee(s) on the line below				nominee(s) on the line below.		
ITEMS 1, 2 AND 4 AND FOR 1 YEAR	<b>AR</b>					
FOR ITEM 3.						

**Vote On Election of Class B Director** o o o

1. To elect to the Board of Directors.

Nominee for a three-year term expiring in 2014:

01) Thomas F. Motamed

Vote on Proposals		For	Against	Abstain
2. To approve, by non-binding vote, executive compensation.		o	0	O
	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	Abstain
3. To recommend, by non-binding vote, the frequency of executive compensation votes.	0	O	O	0
		For	Against	Abstain
4. To ratify the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as our independent auditor for the 2011 fiscal year.		0	O	o

In their discretion, the proxies are authorized to vote upon such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

# THE PROXY, WHEN PROPERLY EXECUTED, WILL BE VOTED IN THE MANNER DIRECTED HEREIN BY THE SHAREHOLDER. IF NO DIRECTION IS MADE, THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED FOR ITEMS 1, 2 AND 4 AND FOR 1 YEAR FOR ITEM 3.

(**NOTE:** Please sign exactly as your name(s) appear(s) hereon. All holders must sign. When signing as attorney, executor, administrator, or other fiduciary, please give full title as such. Joint owners should each sign personally. If a corporation, please sign in full corporate name, by authorized officer. If a partnership, please sign in partnership name by authorized person.)

Signature [PLEASE SIGN WITHIN BOX]	Date	Signature (Joint	Date
		Owners)	

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3. Mark, sign and date your proxy card and return it promptly in the enclosed envelope.

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# THIS PROXY IS SOLICITED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS TO BE HELD MAY 18, 2011

The undersigned shareholder of record hereby appoints Frank J. Coyne and Kenneth E. Thompson, and each of them, as Proxies, each with full power of substitution, and hereby authorizes each of them to represent and to vote, as designated on the reverse side, all the shares of Class B common stock of Verisk Analytics, Inc. held of record by the undersigned as of March 21, 2011, at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held at 8:00 a.m., Eastern Time, at the Company s Headquarters, 545 Washington Blvd., Jersey City, NJ 07310 on May 18, 2011, or any adjournment thereof. For shares voted by mail, this instruction and proxy card is to be returned to the tabulation agent (Broadridge, 51 Mercedes Way, Edgewood, NY 11717) by May 17, 2011. For shares voted by phone or Internet, the deadline is 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on May 17, 2011.

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