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#### ARRIS GROUP, INC.

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS TO BE HELD MAY 25, 2011

To the Stockholders of ARRIS Group, Inc.:

The Annual Meeting of Stockholders of ARRIS Group, Inc. will be held at the Company s corporate headquarters, located at 3871 Lakefield Drive, Suwanee, Georgia, on Wednesday, May 25, 2011, at 10:00 a.m. local time, for the purposes of:

- 1. electing ten directors;
- 2. approving the 2011 Stock Incentive Plan;
- 3. ratifying the retention of Ernst & Young LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm for the Company for 2011;
- 4. voting, on a non-binding advisory basis, on executive compensation ( Say on Pay ) as disclosed in these proxy materials;
- 5. voting, on a non-binding advisory basis, on the frequency of future advisory votes on executive compensation; and
- 6. transacting such other business as may properly be brought before the meeting or any adjournment(s) thereof.

These matters are more fully described in the proxy statement accompanying this notice.

As stockholders of the Company, your vote is important. Whether or not you plan to attend the Annual Meeting in person, it is important that you vote as soon as possible to ensure that your shares are represented. A broker or other nominee will NOT be able to vote your shares with respect to the matters expected to be considered (other than matter 3) if you have not provided directions to your broker or other nominee. I strongly encourage you to submit your voting instruction card and exercise your right to vote as a stockholder. Therefore, I urge you to promptly vote and submit your proxy by Internet, by telephone or by signing, dating, and returning the enclosed proxy card in the accompanying reply envelope. If you decide to attend the annual meeting, you will be able to vote in person, even if you previously have submitted your proxy.

The Board of Directors fixed the close of business on March 31, 2011, as the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the meeting and any adjournment(s) thereof. A complete list of the stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting will be open for examination at the Company s corporate headquarters by any stockholder for any purpose germane to the meeting during ordinary business hours for ten days prior to the meeting and at the meeting.

A copy of our 2010 Annual Report is enclosed. Additional copies of these materials may be obtained without charge by writing the Secretary of ARRIS Group, Inc., 3871 Lakefield Drive, Suwanee, Georgia 30024.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Lawrence A. Margolis, Secretary

Suwanee, Georgia April 11, 2011

#### NOTICE OF INTERNET AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIALS

Important Notice Regarding Internet Availability of Proxy Materials for the Shareholder Meeting to be Held on May 25, 2011

The proxy materials for the Company s Annual Meeting of Shareholders, including the 2010 Form 10-K, the Proxy Statement and other materials are available over the Internet at www.arrisi.com/proxy.

# PROXY STATEMENT FOR ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS OF ARRIS GROUP, INC.

#### **To Be Held May 25, 2011**

This proxy statement is furnished in connection with the solicitation of proxies by the Board of Directors of ARRIS Group, Inc., a Delaware corporation, in connection with the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of the Company to be held on May 25, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. local time at the Company s corporate headquarters, 3871 Lakefield Drive, Suwanee, Georgia, and any adjournment(s) thereof. The Company s corporate headquarters are located at 3871 Lakefield Drive, Suwanee, Georgia 30024 (telephone 678-473-2000). This proxy statement and form of proxy are first being mailed to stockholders on or about April 11, 2011.

This solicitation is being made by mail, although directors, officers and regular employees of the Company may solicit proxies from stockholders personally or by telephone, e-mail or letter. The costs of this solicitation will be borne by the Company. The Company may request brokerage houses, nominees and other custodians to forward proxy materials to their customers and will reimburse them for their reasonable expenses in so doing. In addition, the Company has retained Morrow & Co., LLC, 470 West Ave., Stamford, CT 06902 to assist in the solicitation for a fee of approximately \$8,000 plus expenses.

#### **VOTING**

Shares of Common Stock of the Company represented by proxies in the accompanying form, which are properly executed and returned to the Company (and which are not effectively revoked), will be voted at the meeting in accordance with the stockholders instructions contained therein. In the absence of contrary instructions, except as discussed below, shares represented by such proxies will be voted **IN FAVOR OF** Proposal 1 to elect as directors the nominees listed below, **IN FAVOR OF** Proposal 2 to approve the Company s 2011 Stock Incentive Plan, **IN FAVOR OF** Proposal 3 to ratify the retention of Ernst & Young LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm for the Company for 2011, **IN FAVOR OF** Proposal 4 to approve, on a non-binding advisory basis, the compensation of our Named Executive Officers as disclosed in this proxy statement, and **IN FAVOR OF** Proposal 5 to approve, on a non-binding advisory basis, the option of every THREE years for the frequency of future advisory votes on the compensation of our Named Executive Officers and in the discretion of the appointed proxies upon such other business as may properly be brought before the meeting.

Each stockholder has the power to revoke his or her proxy at any time before it is voted by (1) delivering to the Company, prior to or at the meeting, written notice of revocation or a later dated proxy, or (2) attending the meeting and voting his or her shares in person.

The Board of Directors fixed the close of business on March 31, 2011, as the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the meeting or any adjournment(s) thereof. As of that date, 123,702,103 shares of Common Stock were outstanding. Each holder of Common Stock is entitled to one vote per share.

A quorum, which is a majority of the outstanding shares of Common Stock as of the record date, must be present in order to hold the meeting. Your shares will be counted as being present at the meeting if you appear in person at the meeting or if you submit a properly executed proxy, whether or not such proxy is voted.

A broker non-vote occurs when a nominee holding shares for a beneficial owner does not vote on a particular proposal because the nominee does not have the discretionary voting power with respect to that item and has not received instructions from the beneficial owner. Broker non-votes are not deemed to be entitled to vote for purposes of determining whether stockholder approval of that matter has been obtained. As a result, broker non-votes are not included in the tabulation of the voting results on the election of directors or other issues requiring the approval of a majority of the shares of Common Stock present or represented by proxy and entitled to vote. Proxies that contain a broker non-vote are counted towards a quorum and voted on the matters indicated. If a quorum is

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present, the votes required to approve the various matters presented to stockholders at the meeting shall be as follows:

**Proposal 1 (Election of Directors)** The nominees receiving the most votes will be elected. In the absence of a contested election, a nominee who does not receive the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast for the election of directors is required to tender his or her resignation. Abstentions and broker non-votes will not be counted as votes cast and will have no effect on the result of the vote.

**Proposal 2** (**Approval of the 2011 Stock Incentive Plan**) Approval of the Stock Incentive Plan requires the affirmative vote of holders of a majority of the shares present or represented by proxy and entitled to vote at the meeting. Abstentions will have the same effect as a negative vote. Broker non-votes will have no effect on the outcome of this proposal.

Proposal 3 (Retention of Ernst & Young LLP as the Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm)
Ratification of the retention of Ernst & Young LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm for the Company for 2011 requires the affirmative vote of holders of a majority of the shares present or represented by proxy and entitled to vote at the meeting. Abstentions will have the same effect as a negative vote. Broker non-votes will have no effect on the outcome of this proposal.

Proposal 4 (Approval, on a non-binding advisory basis, of executive compensation as disclosed in these proxy materials) Approval, on a non-binding advisory basis, of executive compensation as disclosed in these proxy materials requires the affirmative votes of the holders of the majority of the vote cast on this proposal.

**Proposal 5 (Approval, on a non-binding advisory basis, the frequency of future advisory votes on executive compensation)** Approval, on a non-binding advisory basis, the frequency of future advisory votes on executive compensation requires the affirmative votes of the holders of the majority of the vote cast on this proposal.

### PROPOSAL 1 ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

In the absence of contrary instructions, the proxies received will be voted for the election as directors of the nominees listed below, all of whom presently serve on the Board of Directors, to hold office until the next annual meeting of stockholders or until their successors are elected and qualified. Although the Board of Directors does not contemplate that any nominee will decline or be unable to serve as director, in either such event the proxies will be voted for another person selected by the Board of Directors, unless the Board of Directors acts to reduce the size of the Board of Directors in accordance with the provisions of ARRIS by-laws. The current number of Directors has been set by the Board at ten. Upon his re-election at this year s Annual Meeting, Mr. Stanzione is expected to serve as Chairman of the Board.

Effective March 8, 2010, the Board of Directors amended and restated the Company s By-Laws to implement a majority voting standard in the election of Directors. The amendment provides, in the absence of a contested election (as defined in the By-Laws), each nominee shall be elected by the vote of a majority of the votes cast for such nominee. If a nominee who is an incumbent director (in the absence of a contested election) is not elected, the director shall promptly tender his or her resignation to the Board of Directors, subject to acceptance by the Board of Directors. The Nominating and Governance Committee will consider the resignation and make a recommendation to the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors must determine whether to accept the resignation and must publicly disclose its decision and the rationale behind its decision within ninety days from the date of the certification of the shareholder vote. If a director s resignation is accepted or a nominee who is not an incumbent director is not elected, the Board of Directors may fill the resultant vacancy by appointment or election or may reduce the size of the Board pursuant to the

By-Laws of the Company.

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Other directorships:

Name:

#### NOMINEES TO SERVE FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM EXPIRING IN 2012

Name: Alex B. Best

Age: 70 Director since: 2003

ARRIS Board Committees in 2010: Compensation Committee, Nominating and Corporate

Governance Committee and Technology Committee

(Chairman)

Principal occupation and recent business experience: Prior to his retirement in 2000, Mr. Best was the

Executive Vice President of Cox Communications, Inc. From 1986 through 1999, he served as the Vice President

of Engineering of Cox. Since 2000, Mr. Best has continued to consult for Cox on a part-time basis. From

1966 through 1986, Mr. Best worked for

Scientific-Atlanta and was involved in nearly every aspect of its cable television product development and business applications. Mr. Best served as Chairman of the National Cable Television Association s Engineering

Advisory Committee from 1995 until 2000.

Concurrent Computer Corporation (until December 2007)

Harry L. Bosco

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Age:
Director since:

ARRIS Board Committees in 2010: Audit Committee and Nominating and Corporate

Governance Committee (Chairman)

Principal occupation and recent business experience: Since 2000, Mr. Bosco has served as the Chief Executive

Officer and President of OpNext, Inc. As of April 1, 2009, Mr. Bosco became the Chairman of the Board of OpNext, Inc. and in December 2010 assumed the role of interim Chief Executive Officer and President. From 1965 to 2000, Mr. Bosco held numerous senior

management positions within Lucent Technologies, Bell

Labs, and AT&T.

Other directorships: OpNext, Inc.
Name: James A. Chiddix

Age: 65
Director since: 2009

ARRIS Board Committees in 2010: Technology Committee and Nominating and Corporate

Governance Committee

Principal occupation and recent business experience: Mr. Chiddix has over 35 years of experience in the cable industry. Prior to his retirement in 2007, Mr. Chiddix was

the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of OpenTV Corporation. From 2007 to 2009, he served as the Vice-Chairman of the Board of OpenTV. Prior to 2004, his previous roles included President at MystroTV (a division of Time Warner), Chief Technology Officer and Senior Vice President, Engineering and Technology at

Other directorships:

Time Warner Cable, Senior Vice President, Engineering at Oceanic Cable, and General Manager at Waianae Cablevision.

Virgin Media, Inc., Dycom Industries, Inc., Symmetricom, Inc., Magnum Semiconductor, Vyyo Inc. (ceased to be public in December 2008), and OpenTV Corporation (director from 2004 to 2009

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Other directorships:

Name: John Anderson Craig

Age: 68
Director since: 1998

ARRIS Board Committees in 2010: Audit Committee and Compensation Committee

Principal occupation and recent business experience: Mr. Craig is a business consultant. From 1999 through

2000, Mr. Craig was Chief Marketing Officer of Nortel Networks, Inc. From 1981 to 1999, he held various senior management positions within Northern Telecom Inc.,

now known as Nortel Networks Inc.

CAE, Inc., and Bell Canada International (until liquidated

in 2006)

Name: Matthew B. Kearney

Age: 71
Director since: 2003

ARRIS Board Committee in 2010: Audit Committee (Chairman) (Financial Expert)

Principal occupation and recent business experience: Prior to his retirement in 1997, Mr. Kearney was the

Chief Financial Officer of Griffin Gaming &

Entertainment, Inc. (formerly Resorts International, Inc.).

Mr. Kearney also served as President of Griffin

Gaming & Entertainment, Inc. from 1993 through 1995. Prior to joining Resorts International, Inc., Mr. Kearney worked in public accounting for Price Waterhouse & Co.

Mr. Kearney is a CPA (inactive) in New York and

Florida.

Name: William H. Lambert

Age: 74
Director since: 1997

ARRIS Board Committees in 2010: Compensation Committee (Chairman) and Nominating

and Corporate Governance Committee

Principal occupation and recent business experience: Mr. Lambert is retired. From 1988 to 1997, Mr. Lambert

served as the Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of TSX Corporation, which was acquired by ARRIS in 1997. Mr. Lambert has been a private investor

since 1998.

Name: John R. Petty

Age: 80 Director since: 1993

ARRIS Board Committees in 2010: Audit Committee (Financial Expert) and Nominating and

Corporate Governance Committee. Mr. Petty is also the

Lead Independent Director.

Principal occupation and recent business experience: Mr. Petty is the Chairman of TECSEC Incorporated, a

data security company. Mr. Petty was a Director of Anixter International and the Chairman of Federal National Payables, Inc., Federal National Commercial, Inc., and Federal National Services, Inc., since 1992.

Mr. Petty has been a private investor since 1988.

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Robert J. Stanzione Name: Age: 63 1998 Director since: ARRIS Board Committee in 2010: **Technology Committee** Principal occupation and recent business experience: Mr. Stanzione has been Chief Executive Officer of the Company since 2000. From 1998 through 1999, Mr. Stanzione was President and Chief Operating Officer of the Company. Mr. Stanzione has been Chairman of the Board of Directors since 2003. From 1995 to 1997, he was President and Chief Executive Officer of Arris Interactive L.L.C. From 1969 to 1995, he held various positions with AT&T Corporation. National Cable & Telecommunications Association Other directorships: (NCTA) and Symmetricom, Inc. Debora J. Wilson Name: 53 Age: 2011 Director since: Principal occupation and recent business experience: Ms. Wilson is the former President and Chief Executive Officer (2004 through 2009) of The Weather Channel Inc., a leading multi-platform media organization. Prior to becoming the President and Chief Executive Officer of The Weather Channel, Ms. Wilson held other positions including Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer from 1994 to 2004. From 1979 through 1994, Ms. Wilson spent 15 years in the telecommunication industry at Bell Atlantic (now Verizon) and held management positions in network operations and new product development. Markel Corporation and InterNap Network Services Other directorships: Corporation Inc. David A. Woodle Name: 56 Age: Director since: 2007 Principal occupation and recent business experience:

In April 2008, Mr. Woodle became Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of NanoHorizons Inc., a nanotechnology company that specializes in producing nanosilver particles for anti-microbial applications. Prior to ARRIS acquisition of C-COR Incorporated on December 14, 2007, Mr. Woodle was C-COR s Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, positions that he had held since 2000. Prior to joining C-COR, Mr. Woodle was Vice President and General Manager of Raytheon E-Systems/HRB Systems, and led merger transition efforts to successfully position that company in the wireless data telecommunications marketplace.

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Each of the nominees brings a wealth of relevant business experience which continues to qualify the nominee for service on the Board:

Alex Best. Mr. Best is Chairman of the Technology Committee. Mr. Best brings to the Board industry-specific engineering and technology experience derived from an extensive engineering and executive career, both on the behalf of major equipment suppliers (Scientific Atlanta, now part of Cisco Incorporated) and a major system operator (Cox Communications, Inc.).

*Harry L. Bosco*. Mr. Bosco is Chairman of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee. Mr. Bosco brings to the Board broad recent experience as an executive, including being the CEO of a public company, in the telecommunication technology equipment supply business focused on telecom operators.

James A. Chiddix. Mr. Chiddix has spent a career of 35 years in the cable industry, including senior roles at both major service providers and equipment suppliers. Mr. Chiddix brings rich industry specific technology and product experience, including video experience, to the Board from both an operator and supplier point of view derived from having served as Chief Technology Officer of Time Warner Cable, currently the second largest Multiple System Operator in the United States, and as Chief Executive Officer of Open TV, a middle ware supplier to the cable industry.

John Anderson Craig. Mr. Craig s career was spent largely at Nortel Networks, Inc. and its affiliates and predecessors. Mr. Craig held various senior management positions culminating as Chief Marketing Officer. Mr. Craig brings a wealth of worldwide communication technology sales and marketing expertise to the Board relating to both the telecommunication operator and cable operator customer segments.

*Matthew B. Kearney*. Mr. Kearney is the Chairman of the Audit Committee and one of two financial experts on the Board. He brings a wealth of financial expertise from public companies experience. Mr. Kearney is a CPA (inactive) and has served as the CFO of a major public company, Griffin Gaming and Entertainment, Inc. (formerly Resorts International).

William H. Lambert. Mr. Lambert is the Chairman of the Compensation Committee. He brings a wealth of manufacturing and business operational experience as an equipment supplier to the cable industry to the Board. He was Chairman and CEO of TSX Corporation, a publicly traded company prior to its acquisition by ARRIS in 1997. Mr. Lambert completed a compensation committee leadership development program for directors at the Harvard Business School in 2006 and brings significant experience and public company compensation expertise to the Board.

*John R. Petty*. Mr. Petty is our Lead Director and one of our two financial experts on the Board. Mr. Petty brings substantial financial expertise and financial industry experience to the Board. His career included substantial executive experience in investment banking, commercial banking, and finance. Mr. Petty has served as Chairman and CEO of the 10th largest US commercial bank, and Assistant Secretary of the Treasury of International Affairs, and he served as Chairman of Federal National Payables, Inc., Federal National Commercial, Inc. and Federal National Services, Inc.

Debora J. Wilson. Ms. Wilson, our newest director, brings more than 30 years of business experience, most recently as chief executive officer of The Weather Channel Inc., a multi platform media company. In addition to her executive management background in the media industry, Ms. Wilson has extensive sales, marketing and product development experience with new technologies and corporate strategic analysis which provide a useful perspective to the Board from the media and content business point of view. Ms. Wilson was appointed as a member of the Board effective April 1, 2011.

David W. Woodle. Mr. Woodle brings significant experience in cable industry technology equipment sales and operations to the company including experience as Chairman and CEO of C-COR prior to its acquisition by ARRIS in 2007. Mr. Woodle s experience includes the planning and execution of strategic merger and acquisition transition efforts at both C-COR and Raytheon E-systems/HRB systems.

*Robert J. Stanzione*. Mr. Stanzione is the Chairman and CEO of the Company and is the sole management director serving on the Board.

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The Board of Directors believes that these nominees provide a good cross-section of skills and experience to the Board of Directors and that the stockholders of the Company would be well-served by these nominees.

#### THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR THESE NOMINEES.

# PROPOSAL 2 APPROVAL OF THE 2011 STOCK INCENTIVE PLAN

The Board of Directors has approved the 2011 Stock Incentive Plan (the Plan ), subject to approval by the stockholders, pursuant to which the Company can compensate its employees using shares of Common Stock (the Shares ). The following is a summary of the major provisions of the Plan, including a general discussion of the federal income tax aspects of the Plan to the Company and the recipients of awards. For a complete description, please read the Plan in its entirety, a copy of which is attached to this Proxy Statement as *Appendix A*.

Key features of the Plan include:

*Independent Plan Administration* the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors administers the Plan:

*Plan Limits* 17,500,000 is the maximum number of shares that are authorized for issuance under the Plan. The Plan has been designed to allow for flexibility in the form of awards; however, awards denominated in shares of common stock other than stock options and stock appreciation rights will be counted against the Plan limit as 1.87 shares for every one share covered by such an award;

Minimum Vesting and Performance Periods awards generally are required to have a minimum three-year vesting period or term;

Forms of Awards awards may be stock options, stock grants, stock units, restricted stock, stock appreciation rights, performance shares and units, and dividend equivalent rights;

*No Re-pricing* awards may not be repriced without shareholder approval;

No In-the-Money Grants awards may not be granted with exercise prices below market value;

*No Liberal Share Counting* shares tendered in payment of an exercise price, shares withheld for taxes, and certain other shares will not be eligible again for awards; and

Stockholder Approval of Amendments all material amendments to the Plan are required to be approved by stockholders.

*Other key feature:* No additional shares will be issued under the Company's existing stock incentive plans if the Plan is approved. Specifically, the 3.2 million shares currently available under the existing plans no longer would be available.

*Recommendation*. The Plan is substantially the same, except for the number of Shares and certain other—stockholder friendly—features, as the 2008 Stock Incentive Plan that previously was approved by stockholders. In the technology industry, stock-based compensation remains critical to the recruiting and retention of key personnel, and the Company needs the shares available under the Plan in order to fulfill this need. On March 31, 2011, annual equity awards were made. Approximately 2.2 million restricted stock units were granted. The restricted stock units granted included

approximately 0.5 million performance-related Shares. As of March 31, 2011, approximately 11.7 million unvested or unexercised Shares were outstanding, and no Shares were available for future grant as options or full valued shares assuming the contemplated freezing of the existing plans as described herein. **The Board of Directors recommends that you approve the Plan.** 

*Purpose.* The purpose of the Plan is to facilitate the hiring, retention and continued motivation of key employees, consultants and directors and to align more closely their interests with those of the Company and its stockholders.

Administration and Amendment. The Plan is administered by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors or such other Board Compensation Committee consisting solely of independent directors as the Board

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may designate, or by the Board itself (for purposes of this proposal, the Compensation Committee ). The Compensation Committee may, from time to time, suspend, terminate, revise or amend the Plan or terms of any grant except that, without the approval of stockholders, no such revision or amendment may change the number of Shares covered by or specified in the Plan, change the restrictions described below, or expand those eligible for grants under the Plan.

*Participation.* All key employees, directors, or active consultants of the Company and its subsidiaries are eligible to receive grants under the Plan. The determination of the persons within these categories, which encompass all officers, including those named in the Summary Compensation Table, to receive grants and the terms and the form and level of grants will be made by the Compensation Committee.

Limitations. The exercise price of any option or stock appreciation right cannot be less than the fair market value of the corresponding number of Shares as of the grant date, provided that the options or stock appreciation rights replacing options or rights not granted by the Company or its predecessors e.g., as part of an acquisition may have exercise prices that, in the judgment of the Compensation Committee, result in options or rights comparable in value to those being replaced. No person may be granted, in any period of two consecutive calendar years, awards under the Plan covering more than 1,500,000 Shares. The maximum amount to be granted to any one person pursuant to performance units, in any calendar year, shall not exceed \$2,000,000. No option may be repriced by amendment, substitution or cancellation and regrant, unless authorized by the stockholders. Adjustments as a result of stock splits and other events that adjust the number of Shares covered by the Plan, as explained below, will not be considered repricing. Options and stock appreciation rights shall vest over a minimum of three years (and shall vest no more quickly than ratably), and other awards shall have a minimum vesting or holding period of three years, provided, that (i) awards that are issued in connection with mergers and acquisitions may have vesting and holding periods that are the same as any awards that they are replacing or otherwise as deemed appropriate by the Compensation Committee and (ii) vesting or holding periods may be reduced as a result of death, disability, retirement, merger or sale, termination of employment or other extraordinary event. In the absence of an extraordinary event, the vesting and holding restrictions applicable to an award shall not be reduced or otherwise waived.

Number of Shares. A total of 17,500,000 Shares may be issued under the Plan. This number will be adjusted for stock splits, spin-offs, extraordinary cash dividends and similar events. The Shares may be newly issued Shares or Shares acquired by the Company. Awards made in the form of stock options and stock appreciation rights are counted against the share limit on a one-for-one basis. Awards made in shares of common stock other than stock options or stock appreciation rights are counted against the share limit on a 1.87 to one basis. If all or any portion of the Shares otherwise subject to any grant under the Plan are not delivered for any reason including, but not limited to, the cancellation, expiration or termination of any option right or unit, the settlement of any award in cash, the forfeiture of any restricted stock, or the repurchase of any Shares by the Company from a participant for the cost of the participant s investment in the Shares, the equivalent number of shares that was charged against the Plan limit upon grant of such Shares shall be available again for issuance under the Plan. The Plan provides that shares issued upon the exercise of options or lapse of conditions on restricted shares or units that were converted to the Company options or restricted shares as a result of a merger or other acquisition do not reduce the number of shares available under the Plan. However, with respect to Shares issued under the Plan, Shares tendered to pay the option exercise price, Shares withheld for the payment of withholding taxes and Shares and other awards repurchased by the Company from a person using proceeds from the exercise of awards by that person shall not return to the share reserve, and the determination of the number of Shares used in connection with stock-settled stock appreciation rights shall be based upon the number of Shares with respect to which the rights were based, and not just the number of Shares delivered upon settlement.

*Forms of Awards*. Under the Plan, awards may be in the form of stock options (including incentive stock options), stock grants, stock units, restricted stock, stock appreciation rights, performance shares and units and dividend

equivalent rights. The most likely forms of awards are stock options, restricted stock or units and performance shares.

Stock options entitle the recipient to purchase a specified number of Shares upon payment of an exercise price. The exercise price cannot be less than the fair market value of one share on the date of grant. When issuing stock

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options, typically, the Compensation Committee has issued stock options that expire seven years after their date of grant and that vest ratably over a four-year period. If the recipient ceases to be an employee of the Company, unvested options are forfeited, subject to certain possible exceptions, such as death, disability, retirement or a change in control of the Company, and vested options typically have a limited period during which the recipient can exercise them.

Restricted stock is stock issued subject solely to the recipient s remaining an employee of the Company. If the recipient ceases to be an employee of the Company prior to the assigned vesting period, restricted stock is forfeited, subject to certain possible exceptions, such as death, disability, retirement or a change in control of the Company.

Performance shares are shares issued subject to conditions or contingencies. Until the conditions or contingencies are satisfied or lapsed, the performance shares are subject to forfeiture. Such shares like restricted shares may also be subject to designated vesting periods. Typically the Compensation Committee issues performance shares to senior executives that can be earned by the recipient only upon achievement of certain performance criteria. If the recipient ceases to be an employee of the Company prior to the satisfaction of the contingency or any applicable vesting period, performance shares are forfeited, subject to certain possible exceptions such as death, disability, retirement or a change in control of the Company.

Performance Criteria. Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code limits the amount of deduction that a company may take on its U.S. federal tax return for compensation paid to any covered employees (generally, the individuals named below in the Summary Compensation Table). The limit is \$1 million per covered employee per year, with certain exceptions. The deductibility limitation does not apply to performance-based compensation, if approved by the stockholders. The Company believes that certain awards under the Plan will quality as performance-based compensation, if stockholders approve the Plan and it otherwise is administered in compliance with Section 162(m). In order for some awards to be performance based, such as restricted stock, they must be subject to performance criteria. The Plan provides for several different types of performance criteria: revenue, earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA); cash earnings (earnings before amortization of intangibles); operating income; pre- or after-tax income; earnings per share, net cash flow; net cash flow per share; net earnings; return on equity; return on total capital; return on sales, return on net assets employed, return on assets; economic value added (or an equivalent metric); share price performance; total shareholder return; improvement in or attainment of expense levels; operating and other margins; and improvement in or attainment of working capital levels. Performance criteria may be related to a specific customer, group of customers, geographic region, business unit or product group. Performance criteria may be measured solely on a corporate, subsidiary or division basis, or a combination thereof. Performance criteria may reflect absolute entity performance or a relative comparison of entity performance to the performance of a peer group of entities or other external measure of the selected performance criteria. Profit, earnings and revenues used for any performance goal measurement may exclude any extraordinary or nonrecurring items, or other items (such as stock compensation and amortization of intangibles) and may be adjusted to reflect changes in accounting principles. In approving the Plan, stockholders will be approving these performance criteria, which are contained in the Plan.

Taxes. Generally, under present federal tax laws, a grant of a stock option or a stock unit, a share of restricted stock or a performance share subject to the required risk of forfeiture under the Plan should create no tax consequences for a participant at the time of grant. Generally, the Company will be entitled to tax deductions at the time and to the extent that participants recognize ordinary income. As discussed above in some cases (generally other than options with exercise prices no lower than fair market value of the Shares on the date of grant and performance shares), the Company will not be entitled to this deduction to the extent the amount of such income, together with other compensation received by that person from the Company, exceeds \$1,000,000 in any one year.

Upon exercise of an option, which is not an incentive stock option ( ISO ) within the meaning of Section 422 of the Internal Revenue Code, a participant will be taxed on the excess of the fair market value of the Shares on the date of

exercise over the exercise price. A participant generally will have no taxable income upon exercising an ISO. If the participant does not dispose of Shares acquired pursuant to the exercise of an ISO within two years of the grant or one year of the exercise, any gain or loss realized on their subsequent disposition will be capital gain or loss, and the Company will not be entitled to a tax deduction. If such holding period requirements are not satisfied, the participant will generally realize ordinary income at the time of disposition in an amount equal to the excess of the

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fair market value of the Shares on the date of exercise (or, if less, the amount realized upon disposition) over the option price and the Company will be entitled to a tax deduction. Any remaining gain is taxed as long or short-term capital gain. The value of a stock unit at the time it converts to stock and the value of restricted stock or performance share at the time the restriction lapses or the conditions are fulfilled are taxed as ordinary income to the participant. The Company has not issued ISO s as part of its equity compensation programs.

Accounting. The Company will incur an expense equal to the fair value of the award, which expense would be recognized over the vesting period or term of the award.

Relationship to Current Incentive Plans. The Plan will not have any impact upon awards outstanding under previous Company Stock Incentive Plans and awards will continue to be governed by the express terms and conditions of such plans and the written documents evidencing such awards.

*New Plan Benefits.* To date, there have been no grants under the Plan. Any future awards under the Plan will be made at the discretion of the Compensation Committee as described above. Consequently, the Company cannot determine, with respect to any particular person or group, the number or value of the awards that will be granted in the future pursuant to the Plan. However, the awards that have been made under the previous plans, which would have been issued under the Plan had it been in effect, are reflected in the Stock Awards table as of 2010.

The last reported sales price of the Common Stock on March 31, 2011 was \$12.74 per Share.

#### THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR PROPOSAL 2.

# PROPOSAL 3 RATIFICATION OF THE APPOINTMENT OF ERNST & YOUNG LLP AS THE INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Audit Committee of the Board of Directors has appointed the firm of Ernst & Young LLP to serve as the independent registered public accounting firm of ARRIS Group, Inc. for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2011, subject to stockholder approval. This firm has audited the accounts of the Company since 1993. If stockholders do not ratify this appointment, the Committee will consider other independent registered public accounting firms. One or more members of Ernst & Young LLP are expected to be present at the Annual Meeting, will be able to make a statement if they so desire, and will be available to respond to appropriate questions.

# THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR RATIFICTION OF THE APPOINTMENTOF ERNST & YOUNG LLP AS THE INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM.

# PROPOSAL 4 APPROVAL, ON A NON-BINDING ADVISORY BASIS, OF EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION AS DISCLOSED IN THESE PROXY MATERIALS

The Board of Directors is submitting a Say on Pay proposal for stockholder consideration as required under the recently-enacted Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010 (the Dodd-Frank Act ). The proposal enables our stockholders to cast an advisory vote to approve the compensation of the Company s named executive officers as disclosed in the *Compensation Discussion and Analysis* and accompanying compensation tables in this proxy statement.

As discussed in the *Compensation Discussion and Analysis* section, the compensation paid to our named executive officers reflects the following principles of our compensation program:

*Competitive Pay.* Competitive compensation programs are required to attract and retain a high-performing executive team, particularly for a technology focused company.

Pay for performance. Our compensation program must motivate our executive officers to drive ARRIS business and financial results and is designed to reward both near-term performance as well as sustainable performance over a longer period through equity compensation. The at risk portion of total compensation

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(i.e., the incentive programs under which the amount of compensation realized by the executive is not guaranteed, and increases with higher levels of performance) should be a significant component of an executive s compensation.

Alignment with shareholders. Our executives interests must be aligned with the interests of our shareholders. Our compensation program should motivate and reward our executives to drive performance which leads to the enhancement of long-term shareholder value.

The say-on-pay vote is an advisory vote only, and therefore, not binding on the Company or the Board of Directors. However, the Board and the Compensation Committee will consider the voting results as appropriate when making future compensation decisions for our named executive officers.

# THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR THE APPROVAL, ON A NON-BINDING ADVISORY BASIS, OF THE COMPENSATION OF OUR NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AS DISCLOSED IN THIS PROXY STATEMENT.

# PROPOSAL 5 APPROVAL, ON A NON-BINDING ADVISORY BASIS, OF THE FREQUENCY OF FUTURE ADVISORY VOTES ON EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The Board of Directors is also submitting a proposal for stockholder consideration as required under the Dodd-Frank Act that allows our stockholders to cast an advisory vote to indicate how often the advisory vote on executive compensation should occur. Under the Dodd-Frank Act, the advisory vote on executive compensation may occur once every one, two or three years. The Board recommends that future advisory votes on executive compensation should be held every three years.

The Compensation Committee has designed our executive compensation program to reward performance over a multi-year period. Having an advisory vote on executive compensation every three years better correlates with these longer term compensation programs and objectives and our business planning cycles.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR THE OPTION OF EVERY THREE YEARS AS THE FREQUENCY OF FUTURE ADVISORY VOTES ON THE COMPENSATION OF OUR NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS.

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#### SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF MANAGEMENT AND DIRECTORS

The following table sets forth, as of March 31, 2011, certain information with respect to the Common Stock of the Company that may be deemed beneficially owned by each director or nominee for director of the Company, the officers named in the Summary Compensation Table and by all directors, officers and nominees as a group.

	Shares	Shares that	Total Shares Percentage of
Beneficial Owner(1)	Beneficially Owned(2)	May Be Acquired Within 60 Days	Class if $> 1\%(3)$
Alex B. Best	49,325		*
Harry L. Bosco	49,625		*
James A. Chiddix	13,225		*
John Anderson Craig	80,425	10,000	*
Matthew B. Kearney	49,325		*
William H. Lambert	67,575	10,000	*
John R. Petty	68,925	15,000	*
Debora J. Wilson			*
David A. Woodle	36,176	171,960	*
Robert J. Stanzione	420,163	928,852	1.1%
Lawrence A. Margolis	214,289	363,914	*
David B. Potts	53,890	137,589	*
Bruce McClelland	87,764	62,463	*
Ronald M. Coppock	88,653	87,662	*
All directors, nominees and executive officers as a group			
including the above named persons (18 persons)			2.9%

<sup>\*</sup> Percentage of shares beneficially owned does not exceed one percent of the class.

- (1) Unless otherwise indicated, each person has sole investment power and sole voting power with respect to the securities beneficially owned by such person.
- (2) Includes an aggregate of 308,700 stock units awarded to directors (other than Mr. Stanzione) that convert on a one-for-one basis into shares of Common Stock at a time predetermined at the time of issuance.
- (3) The shares underlying all equity awards that may be exercised within 60 days are deemed to be beneficially owned by the person or persons for whom the calculation is being made and are deemed to have been exercised for the purpose of calculating this percentage, including the shares underlying options where the exercise price is above the current market price.

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#### SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF PRINCIPAL STOCKHOLDERS

The following table sets forth information as of March 31, 2011, with respect to each person who is known by the management of the Company to be the beneficial owner of more than 5% of the outstanding shares of Common Stock. Unless otherwise indicated, the beneficial owner has sole voting and investment power and the information below is based upon SEC filings by the person.

	Amount and Nature of	Percent	
Beneficial Owner	Beneficial Ownership	of Class	
BlackRock, Inc.(1)	12,516,076	10.13%	
EARNEST Partners, LLC(2)	6,658,504	5.40%	
Hotchkis and Wiley Capital Management, LLC (3)	6,602,118	5.30%	
LSV Asset Management(4)	6,417,040	5.19%	

- (1) The address for BlackRock, Inc. is 40 East 52nd Street, New York, NY 10022.
- (2) EARNEST Partners LLC has sole voting power with respect to 2,153,588 shares, shared voting power with respect to 1,343,997 shares, and sole dispositive power with respect to 6,658,504 shares. The address for EARNEST Partners LLC is 1180 Peachtree Street NE, Suite 2300, Atlanta, GA 30309.
- (3) Hotchkis and Wiley Capital Management, LLC has sole voting power with respect to 3,812,600 shares, and sole dispositive power with respect to 6,602,118 shares. The address for Hotchkis and Wiley Capital Management, LLC is 725 S. Figueroa Street, 39th Fl, Los Angeles, CA 90017.
- (4) The address of LSV Asset Management is 155 N. Wacker Drive, Suite 4600, Chicago IL 60606.

#### SECTION 16(a) BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP REPORTING COMPLIANCE

Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act requires the Company s directors and executive officers and persons who own more than ten percent of a registered class of the Company s equity securities to file with the SEC initial reports of ownership and reports of changes in ownership of the Company s Common Stock and other equity securities. To the Company s knowledge, based solely on review of the copies of such reports furnished to the Company or filed with the SEC and written representations that no other reports were required, for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010 all Section 16(a) filing requirements applicable to its directors, executive officers and greater-than-ten-percent beneficial owners were properly filed.

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#### **EQUITY COMPENSATION PLAN INFORMATION**

The following table sets forth information concerning Common Stock that may be issued upon exercise of options, warrants and rights under all equity compensation plans as of December 31, 2010:

Plan Category	Number of Securities to be Issued Upon Exercise of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights(1)	Weighted-Aver Exercise Pric of Outstandin Options, Warrants and Rights(2	ce Compensation Plans g (Excluding Securities Reflected in
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders	13,060,884	\$ 9	.76 1,642,366
Total	13,060,884	\$ 9	.76 1,642,366

- (1) The total number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights consists of stock options of 6,954,282 and restricted shares of 6,106,602.
- (2) The weighted-average exercise price is calculated on the outstanding options and does not include restricted stock or rights with no exercise price.
- (3) This represents securities available under the 2001 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, which is in compliance with Section 423 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code. Excludes 6,569,754 shares that no longer will be available for issuance under existing stock incentive plans assuming the 2011 Stock Incentive Plan is approved.

During the first quarter of 2011, the Company granted an annual equity award to its employees. Additionally, equity awards were exercised or vested, and equity awards were cancelled as a result of termination or expirations. Giving effect to these transactions, the following table sets forth information concerning Common Stock that may be issued upon exercise of options, warrants and rights under all equity compensation plans as of March 31, 2011:

Number of
Securities
Remaining
Available
for Future Issuance
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Under Equity

Weighted-Average

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Plan Category	Number of Securities to be Issued Upon Exercise of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights(1)	Exercise Price of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights(2)		Compensation Plans (Excluding Securities Reflected in 1st Column)(3)	
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders	11,694,859	\$	10.26	1,642,366	
Total	11,694,859	\$	10.26	1,642,366	

- (1) The total number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights consists of stock options of 5,266,094 and restricted shares of 6,428,765.
- (2) The weighted-average exercise price is calculated on the outstanding options and does not include restricted stock or rights with no exercise price.
- (3) This represents securities available under the 2001 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, which is in compliance with Section 423 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code. Excludes 3,167,893 shares that no longer will be available for issuance under existing stock incentive plans assuming the 2011 Stock Incentive Plan is approved.

As of March 31, 2011, the weighted average remaining contractual term for the outstanding options, warrants and rights was 2.4 years.

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#### **BOARD AND COMMITTEE MATTERS**

#### DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE

For purposes of determining the independence of its directors, the Board of Directors has adopted the definition of independence used in the listing standards of the Nasdaq. It also considers the definition of independence used in the Internal Revenue Code and Securities Exchange Act of 1934 for purposes of determining whether members of the Audit Committee and Compensation Committee are independent. In making determinations, the Board of Directors considers that in the ordinary course of business, transactions may occur between the Company and companies at which some of the directors are or have been outside directors. The Board of Directors determines whether such transaction share any implications to the director s independence. A copy of the director independence standards is available on the Company s website at www.arrisi.com under the caption Investor Relations: Corporate Governance. Based upon these standards, the Board of Directors has determined that all of the directors, other than Robert J. Stanzione, who constitute a majority of the Board of Directors, are independent. Mr. Stanzione, as the Company s Chief Executive Officer and President, is not considered independent.

#### RISKS DISCUSSION

On a periodic basis, the Company s management reviews the primary risks that the Company faces and assesses the adequacy of the means through which the Company manages those risks. Some risks, such as the focus of the Company s business on the cable industry and its significant sales to the dominant cable MSOs are intrinsic to its business and are largely unavoidable without a significant change in strategic focus. Others, such as the risk of property damage or business interruption from weather or other causes are managed through maintaining insurance of types and at levels that the Company believes are reasonable given the nature of its assets and business and through the maintenance of backup storage and processing capability offsite. Still others, such as credit risk, currency risk and country risk, are actively managed through policies and oversight designed to minimize the Company sultimate exposure to loss. On an annual basis, the Company s management, as part of its strategic planning process and annual budget process, reviews with the Board of Directors (and with the Audit Committee with respect to certain financial risks) the risks that it considers the most significant as well as the approaches used to manage or mitigate those risks. In addition, the Board of Directors informally considers risk-related matters on a more frequent basis and also in connection with its consideration of specific transactions and issues. Similarly, on at least an annual basis, the Company s management, as part of the annual budget process, reviews with the Board of Directors technological developments affecting the industry and the research and development programs that respond to those developments and risks.

#### COMPENSATION OF DIRECTORS

*Cash Fees.* The non-employee directors receive director fees. During 2010, the Company paid its non-employee directors:

an annual cash retainer of \$40,000 (paid in equal quarterly installments);

\$1,000 for each committee meeting that they attended in person or;

\$1,000 for each teleconference committee meeting in which they participated; and

\$500 for each in-person committee meeting that they attended by telephone.

The Lead Independent Director, John Petty, was paid an additional annual cash retainer of \$10,000. Each member of the Audit Committee was paid an additional annual cash retainer of \$5,000, and the respective Chairmen of our Board committees will continue to be paid the following additional annual cash retainers:

Audit Committee: \$10,000

Compensation Committee: \$7,500

Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee: \$5,000

Technology Committee: \$5,000

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Stock Awards and Minimum Holding Requirement. Each non-employee director also receives annual compensation paid in the form of stock units. Stock units vest in fourths in sequential calendar quarters. The number of units is determined by dividing the dollar amount of the award by the closing price of the Common Stock on the trading day preceding the day of grant rounded to the nearest one hundred units. One-half of the number of stock units converts, on a one-for-one basis, into shares of the Company's Common Stock when such director is no longer a member of the Board. The remaining units convert, on a one-for-one basis, into shares of the Company's Common Stock at a date selected by the individual director. The number of stock units that are granted to directors that they do not convert until no longer a director i.e., a hold until retirement period functions as a minimum holding requirement. The number of units held by each director that do not convert until he is no longer a director is set forth in the table below under the caption Director Compensation Table. In addition, the Company's newly adopted Stock Ownership guidelines require directors to own three times their annual cash retainer (\$40,000). For this purpose, stock units that have vested but not converted are treated as owned. Directors are given five years to obtain this ownership level initially or if they become non compliant for example because of a change in stock value. The Compensation Committee will review compliance with the guideline annually.

For 2010, the stock unit portion of director compensation was \$100,000. Of the 2010 total award, \$50,000 was issued in stock units as of January 2, 2010 and the remaining \$50,000 was issued as of July 1 2010. For 2011, the stock unit portion of director compensation is \$100,000, \$50,000 of which was issued as of January 3, 2011 and the remaining \$50,000 will be issued in July, 1 2011.

*Reimbursements.* Directors are reimbursed for reasonable expenses (including costs of travel, food and lodging) incurred in attending Board, committee and shareholder meetings. Directors also are reimbursed for reasonable expenses associated with other business activities related to their Board of Directors service, including participation in director education programs and memberships in director organizations.

*Liability Insurance*. The Company maintains customary directors and officers liability insurance and is obligated under its Bylaws to indemnify its officers and directors under certain circumstances.

*Director Compensation Table.* The following table sets forth information about the compensation paid to the non-employee members of the Board of Directors for the last fiscal year.

	Fees Earned or			Shares Held Until Board
Name(1)	Paid in Cash (\$)	Stock Awards (\$)(2)	<b>Total Compensation</b> (\$)	Retirement
Alex B. Best	51,000	100,718	151,718	25,850
Harry L. Bosco	60,000	100,718	160,718	43,200
James A. Chiddix	43,000	100,718	143,718	8,700
John Anderson Craig	58,000	100,718	158,718	61,250
Matthew B. Kearney	60,000	100,718	160,718	35,050
William H. Lambert	52,500	100,718	153,218	67,050
John R. Petty	67,000	100,718	167,718	35,450
David A. Woodle	40,000	100,718	140,718	23,700

<sup>(1)</sup> Mr. Stanzione, as an employee of the Company, receives no additional compensation for his service as a member of the Board.

(2) The 2010 fiscal year stock awards compensation is comprised of half of the July 1, 2009 grant, all of the January 3, 2010 grant and half of the July 1, 2010 grant. The number of stock units granted on July 1, 2009 was 4,000 per member, which was determined by dividing \$50,000 by the July 1, 2009 closing price of \$12.51 per share and rounding to the nearest one hundred units. The number of stock units granted in fiscal year 2010 was 9,400 per member, which was determined by dividing \$50,000 by the January 3, 2010 closing price of \$11.42 per share and rounding to the nearest one hundred units and \$50,000 by the July 1, 2010 closing price of \$10.18 per share and rounding to the nearest one hundred units. 2,000 units per member of the July 1, 2009 grant, 4,400 units per member of the January 3, 2010 grant and 2,500 units per member of the July 1, 2010 grant vested in 2010.

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#### COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND MEETING ATTENDANCE

The Board of Directors has standing Audit, Compensation, Nominating and Corporate Governance, and Technology committees. The table below shows current membership for each of the Board committees.

<b>Audit Committee</b>	Compensation Committee	Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee	Technology Committee
Harry L. Bosco	Alex B. Best	Alex B. Best	Alex B. Best*
John Anderson Craig	Harry Bosco	James A. Chiddix*	James A. Chiddix
Matthew B. Kearney*	John Anderson Craig	David Woodle	Robert J. Stanzione
Debora Wilson	William H. Lambert*		

<sup>\*</sup> Committee Chairman

The Board of Directors held four meetings in 2010. During 2010, each of the directors attended 75% or more of the total of all meetings held by the Board and the committees on which the director served.

The Company has not adopted a formal policy on Board members attendance at annual meetings of stockholders; however, all directors are encouraged to attend the meetings. All of the Company s directors attended the 2010 annual meeting of stockholders on May 19, 2010.

#### Audit Committee

The Audit Committee in 2010 consisted of Messrs. Kearney (Chairman), Bosco, Craig, and Petty. Ms. Wilson joined the Audit Committee effective April 1, 2011. Mr. Petty, our lead director, ceased being a member of the Committee on March 1, 2011. Information regarding the functions performed by the Audit Committee is set forth in the Report of the Audit Committee, included in this proxy statement. The Audit Committee is governed by a written charter that is available on the Company s website at *www.arrisi.com*. The Board of Directors believes that each of its Audit Committee members is independent and financially literate as defined by the SEC and the current listing standards of the Nasdaq. The Board has identified Matthew B. Kearney and John R. Petty as audit committee financial experts, as defined by the SEC. The Audit Committee held ten meetings in 2010.

#### Compensation Committee

The Compensation Committee in 2010 consisted of Messrs. Lambert (Chairman), Best and Craig. Mr. Bosco become a member of the Committee on March 1, 2011. No member of the Compensation Committee is currently or has served as an executive officer or employee of the Company and none of the members of the Compensation Committee had any interlocks within the meaning of Item 407(e)(4) of the SEC Regulation S-K during fiscal 2010. The Compensation Committee is governed by a written charter that is available on the Company s website at www.arrisi.com. The Compensation Committee determines the compensation for our executive officers and non-employee directors, establishes our compensation policies and practices, and reviews annual financial performance under our employee incentive plans. The Compensation Committee generally exercises all powers of the Board of Directors in connection with compensation matters, including incentive compensation, benefit plans and stock grants, except as relates to the Chairman and CEO, in which case the entire Board of Directors approves or ratifies all said compensation matters. The Compensation Committee held three meetings in 2010.

### Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee in 2010 consisted of Messrs. Bosco (Chairman), Best, Chiddix, Lambert, and Petty. On March 1, 2011, Mr. Chiddix become Chairman of the Committee and Mr, Woodle become a member of the Committee. Mr. Petty, our lead director, and Mr. Lambert, Chairman of the Compensation Committee, ceased being member of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee is operations are governed by a written charter that is available on the Company s website at <a href="https://www.arrisi.com">www.arrisi.com</a>. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee identifies individuals qualified to become directors and recommends candidates to the Board of Directors. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee held two meetings in 2010.

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The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee supervises the conduct of director self-evaluation procedures including the performance of an anonymous survey of directors as to the Board s processes and effectiveness and governance practices in general. The Nominating and Governance Committee together with the Board actively review succession issues and plans for both management and the Board of Directors.

With respect to the Committee s evaluation of director nominee candidates, the Committee considers each candidate on his or her own merits. In evaluating candidates, there are a number of criteria that the Committee generally views as relevant and is likely to consider. Some of these factors include the candidate s:

career experience, particularly experience that is germane to the Company s business, such as telecommunications products and services, legal, human resources, finance, marketing, and regulatory experience;

whether the candidate is an audit committee financial expert (as defined by the SEC);

experience in serving on other boards of directors or in the senior management of companies that have faced issues generally of the level of sophistication that the Company faces;

contribution to diversity of the Board of Directors;

integrity and reputation;

ability to work collegially with others;

whether the candidate is independent;

other obligations and time commitments and the ability to attend meetings in person; and

current membership on the Board the Board values continuity (but not entrenchment).

The Committee does not assign a particular weight to the individual factors. Similarly, the Committee does not expect to see all (or even more than a few) of these factors in any individual candidate. Rather, the Committee looks for a mix of factors that, when considered along with the experience and credentials of the other candidates and existing Board members, will provide stockholders with a diverse and experienced Board of Directors.

With respect to the identification of nominee candidates, the Board recommends candidates whom they are aware of personally or by reputation. The Company historically has not utilized a recruiting firm to assist in the process but may do so in the future.

The Committee welcomes recommendations from stockholders. The Committee evaluates a candidate for director who was recommended by a stockholder in the same manner that the Committee evaluates a candidate recommended by other means. In order to make a recommendation, the Committee asks that a stockholder send the Committee:

a resume for the candidate detailing the candidate s work experience and credentials;

written confirmation from the candidate that he or she (1) would like to be considered as a candidate and would serve if nominated and elected, (2) consents to the disclosure of his or her name, (3) has read the Company s Policy on Business Ethics and Conduct and that during the prior three years has not engaged in any conduct that, had he or she been a director, would have violated the Policy or required a waiver, (4) is, or is not,

independent as that term is defined in the Committee s charter, and (5) has no plans to change or influence the control of the Company;

the name of the recommending stockholder as it appears in the Company s books, the number of shares of Common Stock that are owned by the stockholder and written confirmation that the stockholder consents to the disclosure of his or her name. (If the recommending person is not a stockholder of record, he or she should provide proof of share ownership);

personal and professional references, including contact information; and

any other information relating to the candidate required to be disclosed in a proxy statement for election of directors under Regulation 14A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act ).

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This information should be sent to the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, c/o Corporate Secretary, ARRIS Group, Inc., 3871 Lakefield Drive, Suwanee, GA 30024, who will forward it to the chairperson of the Committee. The Committee does not necessarily respond to recommendations. The nomination must be accompanied by the name and address of the nominating stockholder and must state the number of shares held. For potential nominees to be considered at the 2012 annual stockholders meeting, the Corporate Secretary must receive this information by December 15, 2011.

In addition to the procedures described above for recommending prospective nominees for consideration by the Committee, stockholders may directly nominate directors for consideration at any annual meeting of stockholders.

### Technology Committee

The Technology Committee consists of Messrs Best (Chairman), Chiddix and Stanzione. The Technology Committee monitors the development of the Company s technology and operates as an intermediary between the Company and its customers and the Technology Advisory Board of the Company. The Technology Committee held one meeting in 2010.

### Lead Independent Director

The Company s Governance Guidelines provide that at any time the Board of Directors does not have an Independent Chairman, the Board of Directors must have a Lead Independent Director. The Lead Independent Director presides over Executive Sessions of the Board of Directors and other meetings where the Chairman is not present. The Lead Independent Director also approves the agenda for Board meetings and approves the information sent to the Board. He also is the liaison between the Chairman and the independent directors and may call meetings of the independent directors. Lastly, he is available for consultation and direct communications, if so requested by a major shareholder and has various other communications and administrative responsibilities. Mr. Petty currently is the Lead Independent Director. The Company believes that having the Chief Executive Officer serve as Chairman, and having a separate Lead Director, is important because it best reflects the Board's intent that the Chief Executive Officer function as the Company's overall leader, while the Lead Director provides independent leadership to the directors and serves as an intermediary between the independent directors and the Chairman. The resulting structure sends a message to our employees, customers and stockholders that we believe in having strong, unifying leadership at the highest levels of management, but that we also value the perspective of our independent directors and their many contributions to our Company.

## **COMMUNICATION WITH THE BOARD**

Stockholders may communicate with the Board of Directors, including the Lead Independent Director, by sending a letter to the ARRIS Group, Inc. Board of Directors, c/o Corporate Secretary, ARRIS Group, Inc., 3871 Lakefield Drive, Suwanee, GA 30024. The Corporate Secretary will submit the correspondence to the Lead Independent Director or to any specific director to whom the correspondence is directed.

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#### REPORT OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

Pursuant to its written charter, the Audit Committee oversees the Company s financial reporting process on behalf of the Board of Directors. Our responsibility is to monitor and review these processes. It is not our duty or our responsibility to conduct auditing or accounting reviews or procedures. We are not employees of the Company and we do not represent ourselves to be, or to serve as, accountants or auditors by profession. Therefore, we have relied, without independent verification, on management s representation that the consolidated financial statements have been prepared with integrity and objectivity and in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles and on the representations of the independent registered public accounting firm included in their report on the Company s consolidated financial statements. Our oversight does not provide us with an independent basis to determine that management has maintained appropriate accounting and financial reporting principles or policies, or appropriate internal controls and procedures designed to assure compliance with accounting standards and applicable laws and regulations. Furthermore, our considerations and discussions with management and the independent registered public accounting firm do not assure that the Company s consolidated financial statements are presented in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, that the audit of the Company s consolidated financial statements has been carried out in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) or that the Company s independent registered public accounting firm is in fact independent.

Management has the primary responsibility for the financial statements and the reporting process, including the systems of internal controls. In fulfilling our oversight responsibilities, we reviewed the audited financial statements in the Annual Report with management, including a discussion of the quality, not just the acceptability, of the accounting principles, the reasonableness of significant judgments, and the disclosures in the financial statements.

We reviewed with the independent registered public accounting firm, who is responsible for expressing an opinion on the conformity of those audited financial statements with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, its judgments as to the quality, not just the acceptability of the Company's accounting principles required by Statement on Auditing Standards No. 61, as amended by Statement of Auditing Standards No. 90, and such other matters as are required to be discussed with the Committee under the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). In addition, we discussed with the independent registered public accounting firm their independence from management and the Company, including the matters in the written disclosures required by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board Rule 3526, and considered the compatibility of nonaudit services provided by the independent registered public accounting firm to the Company with their independence.

We discussed with the Company s internal auditors and independent registered public accounting firm the overall scope and plans for their respective audits. We met with the internal auditors and the independent registered public accounting firm, with and, as deemed advisable, without management present, to discuss the results of their examinations, their evaluations of the Company s internal controls and the overall quality of the Company s financial reporting. We reviewed proposed interim financial statements with management and the independent registered public accounting firm. We oversaw the Company s compliance with Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

In 2010, we had ten meetings. In reliance on the reviews and discussions referred to above, we recommended to the Board of Directors (and the Board of Directors has accepted that recommendation) that the audited financial statements be included in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010, for filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission. In addition, we have appointed Ernst & Young LLP as the Company s independent registered public accounting firm for calendar year 2011, subject to stockholder ratification.

The Company maintains a corporate governance hotline system in which employees may directly contact the members of the Audit Committee concerning potential failures to meet corporate standards of conduct, including questionable

accounting or auditing matters. These calls are completely confidential and anonymous.

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Notwithstanding anything to the contrary which is or may be set forth in any of the Company s filings under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act that might incorporate Company filings, including this proxy statement, in whole or in part, the preceding Report of the Audit Committee shall not be incorporated by reference into any such filings.

#### **EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**

#### **Summary**

Each of the named executive officers has an employment agreement with the Company. Each agreement establishes the base salary for the officer, which is subject to annual review. The target bonus is established at 60% of base salary for each of the named executive officers, except Mr. Stanzione, whose target bonus is 100% of base salary. Each year the Compensation Committee establishes the performance criteria for the bonuses. The agreements also contemplate the grant of equity awards annually in the discretion of the Compensation Committee. The agreements renew annually automatically until the employee reaches age 65. In the event an executive is terminated without cause or in connection with a change of control of the Company, the executive is entitled to receive one year s salary and bonus (two years in the case of Mr. Margolis and Mr. Potts and three years in the case of Mr. Stanzione); all unvested options and stock awards vest immediately and the executive is entitled to continued benefits, for example, life, medical and disability insurance, during the severance period (one, two or three years as noted above), and under certain circumstances, the executive is entitled to reimbursement of excise and related taxes.

The Compensation Committee reviews base salaries, bonus plans and equity awards annually. It regularly, but not necessarily annually, retains consultants, who are not engaged by management for any other matters, to review executive compensation levels compared to selected peer companies, companies in the technology industries generally and companies of similar size. The Company has sought to establish salaries at between approximately the 50th and 75th percentile levels (with exceptions to recognize outstanding performance) and to have equity and annual bonus target opportunities at approximately the 75th percentile level. The survey conducted for the Company s deliberations for 2011 compensation decisions indicated that, taken as a whole, the Company s base salaries for its named executive officers are at or moderately above median levels and that target annual incentive awards are also moderately above median levels and below the 75th percentile level. Target long term equity incentive compensation for the named executive officers on the aggregate is modestly above the 75th percentile level and in the aggregate target total direct compensation (base salary, annual incentive targets and long term incentives targets) are between the 50th and 75th percentile level.

Compensation has been actively managed. For example, in 2002, salary levels for executives were frozen for a year and during 2003 executive salaries were reduced by 5%. The reduction amounts were reinstated in 2004. Salaries were not reinstated above the 2002 level until 2005 (with the exception of Mr. Stanzione whose salary was not increased until 2006). In 2009, salary levels for executives and non-executives were frozen. Normal merit increases were reinstated in 2010, but not retroactively.

### **Risk Considerations**

The Compensation Committee s approach to compensation beyond base salary focuses heavily on company-wide and long-term performance. For instance, for 2010, 80% of the incentives underlying annual cash bonuses were tied to Company performance, in particular consolidated adjusted direct operating income and consolidated sales. Since this metric has a company-wide focus, the Compensation Committee does not believe that it generally incentivizes high risk behavior by members of our management team in the same way, or to the extent, that annual bonuses based upon narrowly focused individual performance might. Similarly, the Company s equity awards consist of restricted stock

with four year time-based vesting and performance-based restricted stock that vests based upon a three year total shareholder return measurement. The performance of both compensation elements generally reflects the overall market performance of the Company s stock over a substantial period of time. The Compensation Committee does not believe that this structure of equity awards incentivizes high risk behavior. Moreover, the level of compensation and awards, although highly competitive, are not believed to be large enough to induce high

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risk behavior or to distort the application of normal mature business judgment. Our compensation schemes are designed to be in place over several years and the Committee believes they are designed to reward sustained long term profitable growth of the Company. As a result, the Compensation Committee does not believe that the Company s compensation programs for senior management are likely to lead to management s taking on more risks than are appropriate from a sound business judgment prospective.

### Compensation Discussion and Analysis ( CD&A )

#### Overview

This CD&A describes the major elements of our compensation program for the named executive officers in the Summary Compensation Table later in this proxy statement (each a named executive officer or NEO ). This CD&A also discusses the objectives, philosophy and decisions underlying the compensation of the named executive officers. The CD&A should be read together with the executive compensation tables and related footnotes found later in this proxy statement.

Authority over compensation of the Company s senior executives is within the province of the Compensation Committee. The Compensation Committee is composed entirely of independent directors, as determined under the applicable Nasdaq listing standards and Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code. The Compensation Committee reviews and approves executive compensation programs and specific compensation arrangements for the executive officers. The Compensation Committee reports to the Board, and all compensation decisions with respect to the Chief Executive Officer are reviewed and approved by the whole Board, without participation by the Chief Executive Officer.

The principal elements of our executive compensation program for 2008, 2009 and 2010 were:

Base salary;

Annual, performance-based cash incentives (Bonus);

Long-term equity incentives;

Benefits and perquisites; and

A change in control severance pay plan and other severance pay arrangements and practices.

### **Programs and Objectives and Reward Philosophy**

Our Compensation Committee is guided by the following key objectives and reward philosophies in the design and implementation of our executive compensation program:

*Competitive Pay.* Competitive compensation programs are required to attract and retain a high-performing executive team, particularly for a technology focused company.

Pay for performance. Our compensation program must motivate our executive officers to drive ARRIS business and financial results and is designed to reward both near-term performance as well as sustainable performance over a longer period through equity compensation. The at risk portion of total compensation (i.e., the incentive programs under which the amount of compensation realized by the executive is not guaranteed, and increases with higher levels of performance) should be a significant component of an executive s

compensation.

Alignment with shareholders. Our executives interests must be aligned with the interests of our shareholders. Our compensation program should motivate and reward our executives to drive performance which leads to the enhancement of long-term shareholder value.

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### **Key Considerations**

In applying these program objectives and reward philosophies, the Compensation Committee takes into account the key considerations discussed below:

Competitive Market Assessment. We regularly, but not necessarily annually, conduct a competitive market assessment for each of the primary elements of our executive compensation program. In setting executive compensation levels, the Compensation Committee retains an independent consultant to analyze and review with the committee market data from the following sources:

*Peer Group Information.* The Compensation Committee considers information from the proxy statements of peer group public companies. The peer group is composed primarily of communications infrastructure companies. The peer group was selected by the Compensation Committee based on input from third party consultants and management. The following companies were included in our peer group for 2009 and 2010:

3Com Corporation Loral Space & Communications Ltd.

Black Box CorporationMastec, Inc.Ciena CorporationNetgear, Inc.CommScope, Inc.Plantronics, Inc.Dycom Industries, Inc.Polycom, Inc.

Hughes Communications, Inc.

Powerwave Technologies

JDS Uniphase Corporation Tellabs, Inc.

Survey Data. Survey data from various sources also are utilized, including the following:

ERI Executive Compensation Assessor 2011 (Economic Research Institute)

Towers Watson 2010/2011 Top Management Compensation

2010 Executive Compensation Survey

World at Work 2010/2011 Total Salary Increase Budget Survey

Information from an independent compensation consultant Longnecker & Associates. Our Compensation Committee also considers the recommendations provided by Longnecker & Associates, an independent advisor retained by the Compensation Committee, and not retained by management for other matters.

Our Financial and Strategic Objectives. Each year our management team develops an annual operating plan or budget for review and approval by our Board of Directors. The Compensation Committee utilizes the financial plan in the development of compensation plans and performance goals for our named executive officers for the next year.

*Considerations for Mr. Stanzione.* In setting the compensation arrangements for Mr. Stanzione, the primary factors considered by the Compensation Committee include:

An assessment of his skill set, experience and recent performance, as well as his performance over a sustained period of time (based on evaluations from the entire Board);

The financial and strategic results achieved by ARRIS for the last year relative to the pre-established objectives in our annual operating plan;

Other strategic and operational factors critical to the long-term success of our business;

The competitive market survey information described above; and

Guidance from the Compensation Committee s independent compensation consultant.

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Considerations for Other Named Executive Officers. The Compensation Committee considers the same factors in setting the compensation arrangements for each of the other named executive officers as well as:

Mr. Stanzione s assessment and recommendation of the named executive officer s individual performance and contributions to our performance for the most recent year as well as the performance and contributions made over a sustained period of time (through both positive and negative business cycles); and

An evaluation of the skill set and experience of each named executive officer, including an assessment of how effective or unique the skill set is, how difficult it would be to replace and the relative importance of that particular skill set to the accomplishment of our business objectives and each named executive s ability to assume additional responsibility.

Accounting, Tax and Financial Considerations. The Compensation Committee carefully considers the accounting, tax and financial consequences of the executive compensation and benefit programs implemented by us. These were important considerations in connection with the design of the following compensation programs:

Our Stock Incentive Plan (SIP) and Annual Incentive Plan (AIP) were designed to generally allow for tax-deductibility of performance based stock awards, stock options, and annual cash incentive awards, respectively, under Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code. The AIP and the issuance of grants and awards under the SIP are topics discussed in greater detail later in this CD&A.

We have taken steps to ensure that our supplemental retirement plans and executive employment agreements, including change in control, comply with the recently implemented regulations on non-qualified deferred compensation under Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code.

In recent years, the Compensation Committee has determined not to use stock options for long-term equity incentives. Since 2008, all awards have been made in the form of restricted stock with one-half of the awards granted to senior executives in the form of performance based restricted shares. This change was made, in part, due to the implementation of new accounting regulations concerning the expensing of equity-based incentive awards and to reduce the dilution associated with long-term equity compensation. Given the increasing trend in favor of using restricted shares instead of stock options, it is anticipated that future long-term equity awards will be in the form of restricted shares (including performance shares for senior executives) and not stock options. The timing and amount of expense recorded for each of these various forms of equity awards will vary depending on the requirement of stock-based compensation accounting. The use of these various forms of long-term equity compensation awards for each of our named executive officers is discussed in greater detail later in this CD&A.

The Company has adopted a clawback policy that enables the Company to recoup compensation paid to certain executives if that compensation was based on (i) financial results or operating metrics satisfied as a result of fraudulent or illegal conduct of the Executive, or (ii) intentional misconduct that materially contributes to improper or incorrect financial data. The policy is effective with respect to compensation for the year 2009 and following and, in certain situations, prior compensation as well. The policy is discussed more fully later in this proxy statement.

### Additional Information and Considerations

The Role of the Compensation Committee and Its Use of Advisors. A summary of the role of the Compensation Committee is found in the section Board and Committee Matters in this proxy statement. For more information on the

role and responsibilities of the Compensation Committee, we encourage you to review the Compensation Committee charter, which is posted on our website at *www.arrisi.com*.

The Compensation Committee charter permits the Compensation Committee to engage independent outside advisors to assist the Compensation Committee in the fulfillment of its responsibilities. The Compensation Committee engages an independent executive compensation consultant for information, advice and counsel. Typically, the consultant assists the Compensation Committee by providing an independent review of:

Our executive compensation policies, practices and designs;

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The mix of compensation established for our named executive officers as compared to external benchmarks;

Market trends and competitive practices in executive compensation; and

The specific compensation package for Mr. Stanzione and other named executive officers.

Since 2008, the Compensation Committee engaged Longnecker and Associates as its independent consultant. In 2010, the focus of Longnecker and Associates was on long term equity practices since base salary was frozen in 2009. In connection with the 2011 compensation decisions, Longnecker and Associates was retained to review base salaries, annual incentives and long term equity incentives. The selection of Longnecker and Associates was made directly by the Compensation Committee. Longnecker and Associates provides no other compensation or benefit consulting services to ARRIS.

The Role of Executive Management in the Process of Determining Executive Compensation. Mr. Stanzione makes recommendations to the Compensation Committee regarding executive compensation decisions for the other named executive officers. Mr. Margolis, our Executive Vice President of Strategic Planning, Administration and Chief Counsel, is responsible for administering our executive compensation program. Mr. Potts, our Chief Financial Officer, provides information and analysis on various aspects of our executive compensation plans, including financial analysis relevant to the process of establishing performance targets for our annual cash incentive plan and the cost of long term equity incentive plans. Although members of our management team participate in the process of determining executive compensation, the Compensation Committee also meets regularly in executive session without any members of the management team present and meets independently with the independent compensation consultant. The Compensation Committee makes the final determination of the executive compensation package provided to each of our named executive officers subject, in the case of Mr. Stanzione, Chairman and CEO, to full board approval.

Equity awards are granted annually, generally between March and April depending on board meeting schedule, shareholder approval of new equity plans and other factors. The Compensation Committee has determined that grant dates should occur as early as practicable after final budgets for the new year have been approved by the Board of Directors and after year-end results have been announced to the public. Equity grants and annual compensation adjustments, and incentive plan performance criteria generally will be decided simultaneously, although they may be implemented at various times. (For example, raises generally are effective April 1, while bonuses generally are paid earlier.) The exercise price for options and fair value for restricted stock are the closing price of the Common Stock on the date of grant.

#### **Annual Cash Incentives**

Annual cash bonuses are tied to Company performance. Annual bonus targets for senior executives have been established as a percentage of base pay level including the annual raise, if any, in the relevant years and are set forth in the employment agreements of each executive officer. Mr. Stanzione s bonus target is 100% of base salary, which was established when his employment agreement was amended in 1999 in connection with his becoming the Chief Executive Officer. The remaining senior executives annual bonus targets are 60% of base salary. The maximum bonus payout for each of the named executive officers is 200% of the annual bonus target.

The Compensation Committee seeks to establish variable pay in the form of annual cash bonus opportunity at approximately 75th percentile market levels based on the analysis described above. The Compensation Committee believes that variable pay target should be at this level to encourage and reward exceptional performance, while assuring in years where Company performance may be weaker that total cash compensation is less. The Compensation

Committee believes based on the analysis and review of its independent compensation consultant that the bonus targets for the senior executives are between the 50th and 75th percentile.

Since 2008, annual incentives were measured not only by targeted financial performance (for 80% of the target bonus), but by individual assigned objectives that may be objectively or subjectively measured. Twenty percent of the target bonus for Mr. Stanzione and the other senior executives were based on assigned objectives. Specific financial performance criteria have varied; however, in 2008 and 2009, the only financial performance criterion was the achievement of budgeted adjusted direct operating income for the Company. The Compensation Committee chose a single profit metric in order to focus the senior executives as a team on earnings growth. The annual budget

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was developed by management and approved by the Board of Directors. In reviewing the budget, the Board of Directors considers, in addition to the detailed budget as presented, expected capital expenditure trends in the telecommunications industry generally and the cable segment of the telecommunications industry more specifically and the Company s market share and market share growth. For 2010, the Committee s annual incentive measurement was changed. Forty percent was based on budgeted adjusted direct operating income and forty percent was based on budgeted sales and twenty percent was based on assigned objectives. The change to two financial metrics was made to focus executive management as a team on revenue and direct operating income growth.

For 2010, 80% of the target bonus was based on financial performance. The target for consolidated adjusted direct operating income (40% of the bonus) that would yield 100% payment of this component of the financial performance part of the targeted bonus for senior executives was \$190 million. If actual adjusted direct operating income achieved was below 75% of the target adjusted direct operating income for 2010, the bonus payout would have been zero. For performance in the range between that 75% threshold and 100% of targeted adjusted direct operating income, the bonus payout would have been between a 50% payout and 100% payout. For performance in the range between target and 125% of target, the bonus payout would have been between a 100% payout and 200% payout. For performance between these specific levels, bonus payouts were to be determined by straight line interpolation. Actual performance for 2010 was approximately 76% of the target performance and, accordingly, this component of the financial performance portion of the bonus payouts for direct operating income was approximately 54% of the target payout. The target revenue component of the financial performance target (40% of the bonus) was based on a revenue target of \$1,153 million for 100% payment. If actual revenue achieved was less than 90% of target revenue for 2010, the payment would be zero. Performance between the 90% and 100% targets would result in payment between 50% and 100% of target. Performance at 110% of target revenue would yield a payment of 200% of target and performance between 100% and 110% of targeted revenue would result in payment between 100% and 200%. Actual 2010 performance was approximately 94% of target and yielded a bonus payout of 72% for the targeted revenue part of the financial performance portion of the bonus.

The 20% assigned subjective portion of the bonus target was based on management objectives established by the Compensation Committee. Bonus awards for individual accomplishments of objectives can range from 0% to 200% of target. For 2010, the management objectives for the senior executives included:

- 1. Lead Company through current economic cycle positioned for leadership in the recovery
- 2. Continue to diversify the business on a product and customer basis
- 3. Communicate the ARRIS story to investors, shareholders and employees
- 4. Develop cross-product line product strategy
- 5. Use IT to reduce operating expense
- 6. Measure, focus and motivate improvement on return on assets, return on equity, return on investment and cash generation
- 7. Invest R&D dollars for short- and long-term return, and in particular focus on product migration for the long-term and for video opportunities
- 8. Maintain and develop relationships with senior customer executives, expand customer base and grow strategic accounts

- 9. Seek out, analyze and evaluate strategic acquisition opportunities
- 10. Develop and implement strategies for litigation defense and cost control for pending and possible claims
- 11. Develop teamwork, collaboration and success in planning throughout the organization

Based on the success of senior management, particularly with respect to timely product development and cash generation, the specific management objective portion of the bonus paid out at 100% of target in the aggregate for the named executive officers but individual allocations were adjusted based on individual and business unit

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performance as reflected in the Summary Compensation Table under the heading Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation.

In the past seven years, bonuses have ranged from 0% to the maximum as achieved in 2005, 2006 and 2009 based on the performance criteria then in effect. Consistent with our pay-for-performance reward philosophy, no annual incentives were paid to our named executive officers in fiscal year 2003 because we did not achieve our pre-established financial goals in that year. In 2006 and 2007, we exceeded the budgeted amounts for our pre-established financial goals, which resulted in annual incentive payouts greater than 100% of the targeted amounts. In 2008, 91% of the financial performance target was achieved and the resulting payout was approximately 76% of target. In 2009, we achieved 146% of our target performance, and the financial portion of the bonus plan paid at 200% while in the aggregate the management objective portion was paid at 100%. In 2010, financial performance yielded a payout of 63% of the financial performance target while in the aggregate the management objective portion paid at 100%.

The volatile and challenging industry and market conditions in which we operate contributes to significant variations in annual performance against goals and incentive payout amounts against the target level of payout.

The dollar amount of annual cash incentive bonus paid in 2010 to each of our named executive officers is reported in the Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation column of the Summary Compensation Table appearing later in this proxy statement.

The Compensation Committee has the authority to adjust bonuses, including additions to the bonuses earned (or pay bonuses when no bonus has been earned) under the bonus plan. For example, in 2007 the amount of bonus for executive officers was adjusted upward based on individual unit performance and business unit performance. The Company does not have a formal policy for payments above the amounts established under the bonus plans. The Compensation Committee may also adjust the performance criteria if circumstances dictate (e.g., acquisitions, financings or other items that may not have been incorporated in the budget and therefore might require adjustment).

#### Long-Term Equity Incentives

We make long-term equity incentive awards to our executive officers each year. The primary objectives of our equity incentive program are to:

Align the interests of our executive officers with the interests of our shareholders through stock awards which have multi-year vesting requirements and which provide a significant incentive for executives to focus on increasing long-term shareholder value;

Provide a total compensation package that is competitive based upon our assessment of the market data described earlier in this CD&A; and

Provide financial incentive to retain our executives over a multi-year period.

The long term incentive compensation for senior executives in the past three years has consisted of grants of restricted stock and performance-based restricted stock with time-based vesting. Previously, long term incentive compensation consisted predominantly of stock options. During the past three years, the Company has included restricted stock to reduce the share dilution associated with option grants since restricted stock awards are for fewer shares than comparably valued stock option awards. Moreover, recent changes in accounting standards require that stock options as well as restricted stock be expensed. Prior to these changes, the Company, like most companies, utilized primarily stock options to take advantage of the then available favorable accounting treatment for stock options. Since 2008, the

Company has used restricted shares instead of stock options also to maintain retention incentive even in challenging periods when our stock price may be depressed. When granted, stock options had a term of seven or ten years and vested annually over three or four years.

Since 2008, the Compensation Committee established an aggregate value for equity grants for Company wide distribution focusing on cost to be reflected in the Company s financial statements, the annual grant level as a percent of shares outstanding and, using the Black-Scholes methodology, the value of the aggregate grants as a percentage of the Company s total market capitalization. A value expressed in dollars was allocated to the senior

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executives based on the survey data concerning long term incentive values for senior executives in comparable positions and the level of expense and dilution the Compensation Committee deemed appropriate. The value was awarded in shares of restricted stock. For Mr. Stanzione, the target value for long term incentives has been approximately 250% of base salary, and for the other senior executives, the value has ranged from approximately 150% to 220% of base salary. The Compensation Committee seeks to establish long-term incentive targets for senior executives, at approximately the 75th percentile levels of the peer group and survey analysis described above to emphasize long term stock appreciation. The most recent survey data reviewed in connection with the Compensation Committee s 2011 deliberations indicates that awards of long term incentives in 2010 for the named executive officers in the aggregate were modestly above the 75th percentile level.

One half of the restricted stock awarded to the senior executives since 2008 have been in the form of performance shares. Under the performance criteria for 2008, senior executives earned 100% of the target or assigned value at the time of grant if the Company achieved budgeted consolidated sales for the applicable year. For 2008, senior executives would earn, under the performance share criteria, 100% of target shares at 100% of targeted sales. For performance below approximately 82% of budgeted sales, stock awards paid out zero shares with 50% of target being paid at the approximate 82% of the targeted sales. For sales at or above 105% of targeted sales, the shares paid 150% of targeted shares. Straight line interpolation was applied for performance between the designated levels. The Compensation Committee believes that performance based awards better align the executives and shareholders interests in that awards are reduced or eliminated if Board of Directors approved budgets are not met while achievement beyond targeted achievement is more highly rewarded. The 2008 restricted stock awards paid out was approximately 55% as actual sales were approximately 84% of budgeted sales.

For 2009, the performance criteria for performance shares were changed. The new criteria is based on the Company s total shareholder return as compared to the shareholder return of the NASDAQ composite over a three year period (the TSR measurement ) beginning with the calendar year of 2009. The TSR measurement will allow for payment from 0% and 200% based on underperforming, meeting or exceeding the NASDAQ composite three year return. Both 2009 and 2010 are transition years where a portion of the performance share awards will be paid at 100% since the Company has exceeded the three year NASDAQ composite shareholder return in each of the last three fiscal years. For 2009, two-thirds of the awards will pay out at 100% vesting over two years with the first vesting occurring on March 30, 2010, and the remaining one-third will be based on the three-year TSR and will vest on January 31, 2012. The 2010 grant was similarly structured but only one-third of the grant will be paid at 100% and vest on the first anniversary of the grant date, and two-thirds will be based on the TSR measurement and will vest on January 31, 2013. The 2011 grant is at 100% based on the TSR measurement and will vest on January 31, 2014.

The specific numbers of restricted stock that were granted to each of our named executive officers in 2010 are set forth on the table entitled Grants of Plan-Based Awards in the executive compensation tables found later in this proxy statement.

#### **Executive Stock Ownership Guidelines**

The Company has revised its Share Ownership Guidelines in March 2011 to require each senior executive to own shares having a value equal to a multiple of the senior executive s annual base salary. For Mr. Stanzione, the multiple is three times base salary; for Messrs. Margolis, Potts, Coppock and McClelland it is twice base salary. Each officer has five years to meet the guideline but generally must retain one half of the restricted shares, after tax, that vest and one half, after tax, of the shares purchased on exercise of options until the guideline is reached. The ownership guideline will reflect changes in base compensation and changes in stock price. The five year period to meet the guideline also applies to changes in the required level due to changes in the share price or applicable base salary. The Compensation Committee will review compliance with the guideline annually.

## **Summary Compensation Table**

The summary compensation table below presents the total compensation earned by our Named Executive Officers during 2008, 2009 and 2010. This amount is not the actual compensation received by our NEOs. In addition to cash and other forms of compensation actually received, total compensation includes the amount of the annual

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change in actuarial present value of accumulated pension benefit which will not be paid, or begin to be paid, until retirement, and the calculated dollar amounts set forth in the Stock Awards and Option Awards columns. The compensation expense included in the Stock Awards and Option Awards columns likely will vary from the actual amounts ultimately realized by any NEO based on a number of factors, including the number of shares that ultimately vest, the timing of any exercise or sale of shares, and the price of our stock. The actual value realized by our NEOs from stock awards and options during 2010 is presented in the Option Exercises and Stock Vested table below. Details about the equity awards granted to our NEOs during 2010 can be found in the *Grants of Plan-Based Awards* table below.

### **Summary Compensation Table**

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- (1) The amount shown in this column would relate to any discretionary portion of the Annual Incentive Bonus for each NEO that was outside of the amount listed under the Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation column.
- (2) The amounts represent the aggregate grant date fair value of the award, computed based on the number of awards granted and the fair value of the award on the date of grant. For 2008, restricted stock award payout was 55%. For 2009 and 2010, the table reflects an estimated payout of 100%; if the maximum achievement of 200% is attained, additional awards of \$307,600 and \$633,335 will be granted to Mr. Stanzione, \$118,557 and \$244,981 to Messrs. Margolis, Potts and McClelland, and \$108,944 and \$226,662 to Mr. Coppock, respectively. The values for awards from prior years were restated to reflect fair value on the grant date. Assumptions used in the fair value calculation of these awards are included in Note 17 of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in our 2010 Form 10-K and incorporated by reference into this Proxy Statement.
- (3) For 2010, the amount reflects annual bonus earned for 2010 performance (paid in 2011). Amount reflects 70% of our target performance and the financial portion of the bonus plan paid at 63% while in the aggregate the MBO portion was paid at 100%. For 2009, the amount reflects annual bonus earned for 2009 performance (paid in 2010). Amount reflects 146% of our target performance and the financial portion of the bonus plan paid at 200% while in the aggregate the MBO portion was paid at 100%. For 2008, the amount reflects annual bonus earned for 2008 performance (paid in 2009). As described above, the amount reflects a 76% payout of the financial performance piece of the bonus plan (80% of the plan), and the individual performance objective portion of the bonus plan (20%) paying at between 129% 133% of target based on performance of assigned objectives.

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- (4) Change in pension value reflects the aggregate annual change in the actuarial present value of accumulated pension benefits under the qualified and non-qualified defined benefit pension plans. The change in pension value does not include changes under any of the Company s defined contribution plans because there is no above-market or preferential earnings provided under such plans.
- (5) Included in all other compensation for 2010 are a matching contribution by ARRIS Group Inc. into the 401(k) savings plan, the non-qualified 401(k) wrap plan, the incremental cost for supplemental life insurance coverage, expenses related to financial planning (except for Messrs. Potts and Coppock), and club membership fees (except for Messrs. Stanzione and McClelland). Effective March 31, 2010, the Company no longer provide or reimburse executives for financial planning or club membership benefits.

### **Grants of Plan-Based Awards 2010**

		nated Future l	•		ted Future Jnder Equi	All Other Stock Awards: Number of Shares of	Exercise or Base		
Grant Date(1)	Incer Threshold (\$)	ntive Plan Aw Target (\$)	ards(2) Maximum (\$)	Incenti Threshold (#)	ve Plan Av Target (#)	vards(3) Maximum (#)	Stock or Units (#)(4)	Price of Award (\$/sh)	N A
	\$ 376,000	\$ 752,000	\$ 1,504,000						
03/25/2010				52,084	78,125	130,209	78,125	\$ 12.16	\$
	118.800	237.600	475.200						
03/25/2010				20,146	30,220	50,366	30,220	\$ 12.16	
	118.800	237.600	475.200						
03/25/2010				20,146	30,220	50,366	30,220	\$ 12.16	
	100,500	201,000	402,000						
03/25/2010				20,146	30,220	50,366	30,220	\$ 12.16	
	100,500	201,000	402,000						

03/25/2010 18,640 27,960 46,600 27,960 \$ 12.16

- (1) Grant date is the date the awards, in the form of restricted stock and performance shares, were made.
- (2) The non-equity incentive awards reflect the Company s annual bonus plan. The plan calls for the payment of from 0% to 200% based upon the achievement of specified adjusted consolidated adjusted operating income and revenue levels for the Company in 2010. The plan would pay out \$0 if actual results did not reach 75% of the targeted adjusted operating income level and 90% of the targeted revenue level of 2010. The individually assigned objectives portion of the plan in the aggregate for the senior executives paid out at 100% of their portion of the targeted bonus. Overall bonus for the named executive officers paid out at 70% of target bonuses. Bonus target payout levels are a percent of the 2010 base salary level; for Mr. Stanzione the percent is 100% of base salary and it is 60% of base salary for the other named executive officers. The amounts reflected herein are duplicative of the amounts reflected in the Summary Compensation Table and the Outstanding Equity at Year End Table. For additional discussion of 2010 bonus payment, see Compensation Disclosure and Analysis Annual Cash Incentives.
- (3) The amounts shown under the Equity Incentive Plan Awards are the number of shares of restricted stock that were granted to each of the named executives in 2010 that were performance shares. One-thirds of the awards will pay out at 100% vesting over one year with the first vesting occurring on March 25, 2011. The remaining two-thirds will be based on the three-year Total Shareholder Return, and the final payout of these shares can range from 0% to 200% of the target award. These shares will vest on January 31, 2013. The amounts reflected here are duplicative of the amounts reflected in the Summary Compensation Table and the Outstanding Equity Awards at Fiscal Year End table.
- (4) The amounts shown under All Other Equity Awards reflect the number of restricted shares granted to the named executives on the grant date. These shares vest annually over four years with the first vesting occurring on March 25, 2011. The table reflects the full amounts of the awards even though the awards vest over four years and are subject to forfeiture prior to vesting except in certain cases. The amounts reflective herein are

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rence A. golis duplicative of the amounts reflected in the Summary Compensation Table and the Outstanding Equity Awards at Year End Table.

(5) Represents the value at \$12.16 of the March 25, 2010 equity awards to the named executives including the restricted shares described above in footnote four and the performance shares described above in footnote three. All of these shares vest over three or four years as described above. The amounts reflected here are duplicative of the amounts reflected in the Summary Compensation Table and the Outstanding Equity Awards at Fiscal Year End table.

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

n Awards			Stock Awards				
		Number	Market	Equity Incentive Plan	Equity Incentive Plan Awards: Market		
		of Shares	Value of Shares	Awards: Number	Value of		
		or	or	of	Unearned		
ying Underlying		Units of	Stock	Shares	Shares or		
-	Option	Held That	That Have	of	Units of Stock		
Exercise	Expiration		Not Vested	Stock Not	Not Vested		
le Price (\$)	Date	Vested (#)	(\$)(3)	Vested (#)	(\$)(3)		
		78,125(1)(4) 90,000(6) 94,172(8)	876,563 1,009,800 1,056,610	130,209(5) 120,000(7)	1,460,945 1,346,400		
13.28	03/09/2014 04/25/2013	14,770(7)	100,100				
6.44 4.90	04/15/2012 05/25/2014						
8.12 10.20	01/22/2012 08/06/2011						
		30,220(1)(4) 34,687(6) 32,252(8) 5,140(9)	339,068 389,188 361,867 57,671	50,366(5) 46,250(7)	565,107 518,925		
2) 13.45 13.28	03/09/2014 04/25/2013						
d	Deption  Exercise  Response (a) 13.45 13.28 6.44 4.90 8.12	2) 13.45 03/09/2014 13.28 04/25/2013 6.44 04/15/2012 4.90 05/25/2014 8.12 01/22/2012	Number of Shares or  Units of Stock d Option Option Held That Exercise Expiration Have Not Not Vested (#)  78,125(1)(4) 90,000(6) 94,172(8) 14,990(9)  2) 13.45 03/09/2014 13.28 04/25/2013 6.44 04/15/2012 4.90 05/25/2014 8.12 01/22/2012 10.20 08/06/2011  30,220(1)(4) 34,687(6) 32,252(8)	Number of Shares or Units of Stock   Stock	Number   Of   Value   Awards: of Shares   Or   Of   Units of   Units of   Stock   Shares   Or   Units of   Stock   Stock   Not   Or   Units   Or   Or   Or   Or   Or   Or   Or   O		

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	67,000		4.90	05/25/2014				
	57,000		4.85	07/01/2013				
	70,000		8.12	01/22/2012				
	70,000		10.20	08/06/2011				
d B. Potts					30,220(1)(4)	339,068	50,366(5)	565,107
					34,687(6)	389,188	46,250(7)	518,925
					32,252(8)	361,867		
					5,140(9)	57,671		
	29,739	9,914(2)	13.45	03/09/2014				
	30,957		13.28	04/25/2013				
	37,325		6.44	04/15/2012				
	12,065		4.90	05/25/2014				
	40,000		8.12	01/22/2012				
	100,000		10.20	08/06/2011				
e McClelland					30,220(1)(4)	339,068	50,366(5)	565,107
					34,687(6)	389,188	46,250(7)	518,925
					27,090(8)	303,905		
					1,952(9)	21,901		
	13,011	4,337(2)	13.45	03/09/2014				
	12,826		13.28	04/25/2013				
	5,310		6.44	04/15/2012				
ald M.								
oock					27,960(1)(4)	313,711	46,600(5)	522,852
					31,875(6)	357,638	42,500(7)	476,850
					32,252(8)	361,867		
					5,140(9)	57,671		
	29,739	9,914(2)	13.45	03/09/2014				
	23,218		13.28	04/25/2013				

<sup>(1)</sup> These shares are duplicative of the shares reflected in the Plan Based Awards Table.

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- (2) The options were granted on March 9, 2007 and vest annually over four years with the first vesting occurring on March 9, 2008.
- (3) Reflect the value as calculated based on the closing price of the Company s Common Stock on December 31, 2010 of \$11.22 per share.
- (4) Shares of restricted stock were granted on March 25, 2010 and vest annually over four years with the first vesting occurring on March 25, 2011.
- (5) Shares of restricted stock that are subject to performance measures were granted on March 25, 2010. 2/3 of these shares are subject to performance measures and 1/3 of these shares are fixed. The final payout of these shares that are subject to performance measures can range from 0% to 200% of the target award, and will be based on the three-year Total Shareholder Return. These shares will vest on January 31, 2013. Included in the table above is 200% of the target award. The fixed portion will vest on March 25, 2011.
- (6) Shares of restricted stock were granted on March 27, 2009 and vest annually over four years with the first vesting occurring on March 30, 2010.
- (7) Shares of restricted stock that are subject to performance measures were granted on March 27, 2009. 1/3 of these shares are subject to performance measures and 2/3 of these shares are fixed. The final payout of these shares that are subject to performance measures can range from 0% to 200% of the target award, and will be based on the three-year Total Shareholder Return. These shares will vest on January 31, 2012. Included in the table above is 200% of the target award. The fixed portion will vest on March 30, 2011.
- (8) Shares of restricted stock were granted on March 28, 2008 and vest annually over four years with the first vesting occurring on March 28, 2009.
- (9) Shares of restricted stock were granted on March 9, 2007 and vest annually over four years with the first vesting occurring on March 9, 2008.

#### **Option Exercises and Stock Vested**

	Option A	wards	Stock Awards		
	Number of Shares Acquired on	Value Realized on Exercise	Number of Shares Acquired on	Value Realized	
Name	Exercise (#)	(\$)(1)	Vesting (#)	On Vesting (\$)(2)	
Robert J. Stanzione	60,000	243,000	146,760	1,795,191	
Lawrence A. Margolis	60,000	246,048	53,470	654,144	
David B. Potts			53,470	654,144	
Bruce McClelland			43,920	536,752	
Ronald M. Coppock			51,282	627,363	

(1) Amount shown for each named executive officer is the aggregate number of options granted in previous years that were exercised and sold during 2010 and the taxable compensation realized (aggregate sales price less aggregate exercise price) on such shares exercised and sold. The amounts are not reflected in the Summary

Compensation Table.

(2) Amounts shown for each named executive officer represent the aggregate number of shares of restricted stock granted in the previous years that vested during the calendar year. Vested shares may have been held or sold by the executive in his discretion. The Company withholds taxes by retaining an appropriate number of shares (equal to the value of the amount required to be withheld) that vest. The amounts shown above include the number of shares withheld for taxes. These amounts are not reflected in the Summary Compensation Table.

Executive Benefits and Perquisites

*Primary Benefits.* Our named executive officers are eligible to participate in the same employee benefit plans in which all other eligible U.S. salaried employees participate. These plans include medical, dental, a non-qualified retirement savings plan, life insurance, disability and a qualified retirement savings plan. We also maintain a nonqualified retirement plan in which our named executive officers are eligible to participate.

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#### **Pension Benefits**

Name	Plan Name	Number of Years Credited Service (#)	Present Value Of  Accumulated Benefit (\$)	Payments During Last Fiscal Year (\$)
	Qualified Pension			
Robert J. Stanzione	Plan	5	80,341	
	Non Qualified Plan	43	10,479,042	
	Qualified Pension			
Lawrence A. Margolis	Plan	18	363,386	
_	Non Qualified Plan	28	1,626,275	
	Qualified Pension			
David B. Potts	Plan			
	Non Qualified Plan	15	395,006	
	Qualified Pension			
Bruce McClelland	Plan			
	Non Qualified Plan	3	38,059	
	Qualified Pension			
Ronald M. Coppock	Plan	5	42,836	
	Non Qualified Plan	14	340,750	

The Company maintains qualified and non-qualified Defined Benefit pension plans. The qualified plan for the named executive officers has been frozen since December 31, 1999, and no further accrual of benefit under that plan has occurred since that date. Neither Mr. Potts nor Mr. McClelland participated in the qualified plan. The non-qualified plan is a mirror image of the qualified plan, but covers only earnings levels and payment levels that are or would be excluded under the qualified plan under applicable Internal Revenue Service regulations. Benefits under the plans are calculated based on the named executive officer s base salary and annual bonus amounts. The benefit formula is the number of years of continuous service (up to a maximum of 30 years) times the sum of (a) 0.65% of the individual s final annual compensation up to the named executive officer s social security covered compensation level, plus (b) 1.3% of the final average salary in excess of the named executive officer s social security covered compensation level. The social security covered compensation level is the 35-year average of the taxable wage bases (for Social Security purposes) in effect prior to the participant s Social Security normal retirement date. Final average salary is the average of the five highest consecutive years of compensation in the ten years preceding retirement. In calculating benefits under the non-qualified plan, it is assumed that the qualified plan remains in effect; that is, the amount of compensation that would have been covered under the qualified plan had it remained in effect is excluded from the non-qualified plan. The benefit is paid monthly on a single life annuity basis or, subject to discount, on a 50% joint and survivor annuity basis. Normal retirement under the plans is age 65, and benefits are discounted for early retirement, which is available at age 55. Messrs. Stanzione, Margolis and Coppock are 63, 63 and 56 years of age, respectively, and thus could elect to retire immediately. The discount is calculated to be the actuarial equivalent of an age 65 retirement using an 8% discount factor. There is no lump sum payment option available, except for Mr. Stanzione (see below).

The Company has established a Rabbi Trust to hold funds set aside to meet the obligations under the non-qualified defined benefit plans. The Company intends to fully fund the Rabbi Trust such that the amount of the actuarial accrued liability under the non-qualified defined benefit plan as set forth in the Company s financial statements will be

set aside in a Rabbi Trust as the actuarial liability has been established. Amounts contributed to the Rabbi Trust remain the funds of the Company but can be used only to discharge obligations under the non-qualified plan, provided however, the funds in the trust remain subject to the claims of creditors.

The Company maintains on Mr. Stanzione s behalf a supplemental employee retirement plan (SERP), which is included in the information provided in the Pension Benefits table set forth above. Under the SERP, normal retirement age is 62, and a lump sum payment on termination is the form of payment. In addition, under the SERP, final average compensation is Mr. Stanzione s actual annual salary at the time of his retirement plus the average of the three highest bonuses received in the five years preceding retirement. Years of continuous service are Mr. Stanzione s actual service multiplied by three and are not limited to 30 years. The benefit calculation is otherwise the same as described above, although Mr. Stanzione s benefit may not exceed 50% of his final average compensation. In the event of Mr. Stanzione s termination of employment by the Company without cause, termination by him as a result of a material uncured breach of his employment agreement by the Company, or termination by him following a change of control and the diminution of his position, then Mr. Stanzione s pension benefit cannot be lower than \$33,333 per month. The Company has established a separate Rabbi Trust to hold

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funds equal to the Company s obligations under the non-qualified defined benefit plan and SERP to Mr. Stanzione. Pursuant to Mr. Stanzione s employment agreement, the Company fully funded those obligations by the date of Mr. Stanzione s 62nd birthday. Mr. Stanzione s defined benefit value at age 62 is frozen. Thereafter such funds will be credited only with the benefit or losses of independently managed investment vehicles elected by Mr. Stanzione from a menu of vehicles made available by the Company.

The Company maintains a 401(k) defined contribution plan to which employees may contribute a portion of their salary and bonus compensation. The Company matches 100% of the first 3% of employee contributions of pay and matches 50% of the next 2% of employee contributions of pay subject to the Internal Revenue Service maximum contribution (which was \$16,500 during 2010). The named executives participate in this plan and received the Company match, which could not exceed \$9,800 for 2010.

In addition, effective as of July 1, 2008, the Company established a non-qualified defined contribution retirement plan (the 401(k) Wrap ) that mirrors the 401(k) plan. The plan allows certain senior executives, including the named executive officers, to contribute amounts in excess of the amounts allowed under applicable tax laws under the 401(k) plan. The tax law for 2010 disallows contribution on income above \$245,000 or contributions more than \$16,500. The Company will match employee contributions under the 401(k) Wrap in a manner analogous to the 401(k). Provided the employee contributes the maximum amount allowed under the 401(k), the Company will contribute to the 401(k) and 401(k) Wrap in the aggregate 100% on the first 3% of pay and 50% of the next 2% of pay, less the amount of employer matches made to the 401(k). The amounts of employee and employer contributions to the 401(k) Wrap are held in a Rabbi Trust. Funds held under the 401(k) and the 401(k) Wrap are invested in authorized and independently managed mutual funds and other vehicles that the employee elects from a menu of vehicles offered under the plans. The employee account receives the benefit or loss of the increases or decreases based only on such funds performance. The Company does not enhance or guarantee performance.

The Company previously maintained a non-qualified deferred compensation plan that enabled certain executives, including the named executives, to defer amounts above the IRS maximum. This plan, and employee contributions and Company matches under it, were frozen in September 2004. No employee contributions or Company matching contributions have been made since that time under such plan. The accounts under this plan remain in existence, but the Company has never enhanced the earnings of the accounts, which earnings are determined by the actual earnings of investment vehicles selected by the employee.

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The table below reflects the change in value of the named executive s account under the Company s Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation arrangements (both current and frozen) during calendar year 2010. The amounts shown reflect dividends and interest and appreciation (or depreciation) in investments whether or not realized. The change in value reflects the performance of any of several mutual funds which may be selected by the executive.

### **Nonqualified Deferred Compensation**

	Executive Contributions	Registrant Contributions			Aggregate
	in	in	Aggregate Earnings in	Aggregate	Balance at Last Fiscal Year
Name	Last FY (\$)(1)	Last FY (\$)(2)	Last FY (\$)	Withdrawals/ Distributions (\$)	End
Robert J. Stanzione					
Frozen Plan			88,185		616,834
Active Plan	103,025	44,600	46,174		340,441
Lawrence A. Margolis					
Frozen Plan			52,067		353,486
Active Plan	25,748	13,640	10,801		97,764
David B. Potts					
Frozen Plan					
Active Plan	7,865	11,085	3,506		31,267
Bruce McClelland					
Frozen Plan			9,687		64,712
Active Plan	21,325	8,800	9,100		74,321
Ronald M. Coppock					
Frozen Plan			3,516		67,694
Active Plan	27,525	10,000	13,366		101,903

- (1) Excludes deferral of bonuses paid in 2011 with respect to the 2010 calendar year.
- (2) Represents the company match made in 2010 for 2009 employee contributions.

Other Perquisites. Historically, we reimburse certain club membership fees and airline club dues and pay for financial counseling services for our named executive officers. Effective March 31, 2010, the Company no longer reimburse for club dues or financial counseling services.

### Clawback Policy

In February 2009, the Board of Directors adopted the Executive Compensation Adjustment and Recovery Policy. This policy is a so-called clawback policy that enables the Company to recoup compensation paid to any president, vice president, secretary, treasurer or principal financial officer, comptroller or principal accounting officer, or any other officer routinely performing corresponding functions with respect to the Company when such compensation was based on financial results or operating metrics that were satisfied as the result of a fraudulent or illegal conduct of any of the officers. The Board of Directors is entitled to recover compensation when it concludes that it is attributable to such officers conduct and would not have been awarded had such financial results or operating metrics not been

satisfied. In addition, if an officer engaged in intentional misconduct that contributed in any material respect to the improper accounting or incorrect financial data, the Board of Directors may seek to recoup any profits realized from the officer s sale of securities of the Company during or subsequent to the impacted accounting period. A copy of the Policy is available at *www.arrisi.com* under the caption Investor Relations.

The Company has implemented the Policy. Beginning in 2008, equity awards contemplated that the Board of Directors might adopt a clawback policy and the Compensation Committee made those awards subject to any policy that the Board of Directors ultimately adopted. Current and future long-term incentive awards and annual incentive awards will similarly be subject to the Policy.

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### Employment Contracts and Termination of Employment and Change-in-Control Arrangements

Executive employment agreements were amended in November 2008 to comply with the timely payment and other provisions of Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code and to harmonize certain benefits.

The employment agreements generally are one year agreements and automatically renew until normal retirement at age 65, define initial salary and target bonus percent, general employment benefits and business expense reimbursements. The agreements contain one year non-competition, non-solicitation and non-disclosures of trade secret provisions. The amendments provided not only 409A compliance provisions but also that outstanding equity awards of executives terminating their employment who are 62 years old or older with ten or more years of experience, will continue to vest and remain outstanding for their original term (notwithstanding such termination) provided they continue to comply with the non-competition trade secret protection provisions of the agreement. The amendments also reflect the Rabbi Trust and funding elements described above with respect to the Company s non-qualified deferred benefit plan and the SERP of Mr. Stanzione. The term of Mr. Margolis contract is until he reaches age 65 subject to termination on 24 months notice. Mr. Stanzione agreement is terminable on 12 months notice. Also, Mr. Stanzione s SERP benefit is frozen at his age 62 benefit amount, which amount will thereafter be credited with the investment returns or losses of the independently managed funds and investment vehicles elected by Mr. Stanzione from a menu of investment vehicles made available by the Company. Upon his retirement from the Company, Mr. Stanzione is entitled to receive a lump sum benefit.

The table below sets forth the approximate value of salary, bonus and accelerated equity payable to each NEO assuming a change in control or termination event had occurred on December 31, 2010.

#### **Termination Benefit Table**

	Duration(1)	Salary Benefit	Bonus(10)	Benefits	Accelerate Equity(11)	Total
Robert J. Stanzione Change in Control or	3 years	\$ 2,256,000	\$ 3,814,000(6)	\$ 74,956	\$ 5,918,505	\$ 12,063,461
Without Good Cause						
Lawrence A.	2 years	792,000	334,540(7)	36,223	2,231,826	3,394,590
Margolis						
Change in Control or						
Without Good Cause						
David B. Potts	2	00.000				00.000
Death(2)	3 months	99,000		10.401		99,000
Disability(3)	6 months	198,000		10,481		208,481
Without Good	2 years	792,000	475,200(8)	41,925	2,231,826	3,540,951
Cause (4)						
Change in	2 years	792,000	616,000(9)	41,925	2,231,826	3,681,751
Control(5)						
Ronald M. Coppock						
Death(2)	3 months	83,750				83,750
Disability(3)	6 months	167,500		12,635		180,135
Without Good	1 year	335,000	201,000(8)	25,271	2,090,589	2,651,860
Cause (4)	Ž	•	, ()	•	•	
. ,	1 year	335,000	260,500(9)	25,271	2,090,589	2,711,360

Change in						
Control(5)						
Bruce McClelland						
Death(2)	3 months	83,750				83,750
Disability(3)	6 months	167,500		9,584		177,084
Without Good	1 year	335,000	201,000(8)	19,168	1,230,026	1,785,194
Cause (4)						
Change in	1 year	335,000	267,500(9)	19,168	1,230,026	1,851,694
Control(5)						

- (1) Represents the termination period during which payments are made
- (2) Three months of salary continuation paid to NEO s estate.
- (3) Six months of salary and benefits continuation paid.
- (4) Continuation of salary, bonus and benefits for the duration period, plus accelerated equity vesting.
- (5) Most recent salary and average of prior 2 year bonuses times the severance duration period.
- (6) Average of highest three bonuses earned in previous five years.
- (7) Most recent annual bonus paid or payable.

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- (8) Target bonus equal to 60% of annual base salary.
- (9) Average of two prior paid annual bonuses.
- (10) Does not include bonus earned in 2010 but not paid until 2011: Stanzione (\$529,000), Margolis (\$167,270), Potts (\$167,270), Coppock (\$141,504) and McClelland (\$165,504).
- (11) Applicable tax gross up provision would not be triggered under the assumption of a change of control at December 31, 2010.

#### COMPENSATION COMMITTEE REPORT

The Compensation Committee has reviewed and discussed the Compensation Discussion and Analysis section of this proxy statement with management and, based on such review and discussion, the Compensation Committee recommends to the Board of Directors that it be included in this proxy statement.

William H. Lambert, Chairman Alex B. Best John Anderson Craig

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary which is or may be set forth in any of the Company s filings under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act that might incorporate Company filings, including this proxy statement, in whole or in part, the preceding Compensation Committee Report shall not be incorporated by reference into any such filings.

#### CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Company has adopted a related person transaction policy that governs the review, approval or ratification of covered related person transactions. Our Audit Committee manages this policy. The policy generally provides that we may enter into a related person transaction only if the Audit Committee approves or ratifies such transaction in accordance with the guidelines set forth in the policy and if the transaction is on terms and conditions that are reasonable under the circumstances and in the best interests of the shareholders.

Under the policy a related party transaction is one in which the Company is a participant and that, individually or taken together with related transactions, exceeds, or is reasonably likely to exceed, \$100,000 in amount in any year and in which any of the following individuals (a covered person ) has a direct or indirect material interest:

any director or executive officer;

any nominee for election as a director;

any security holder who is known by the Company to own of record or beneficially more than 5% of any class of the Company s voting securities; or

any immediate family member of any of the foregoing persons, including any child; stepchild; parent; stepparent; spouse; sibling; mother-, father-, son-, daughter-, brother-, or sister-in-law; and any person (other than a tenant or employee) sharing the same household.

For purposes of the policy, a material interest in a transaction shall not be deemed to exist when a covered person s interest in the transaction results from (a) the covered person s (together with his immediate family s) direct or indirect ownership of less than a 10% economic interest in the other party to the transaction, and/or the covered person s service as a director of the other party to the transaction, or (b) the covered person s pro rata participation in a benefit received by him solely as a security holder.

A transaction is deemed to involve the Company if it involves a vendor or partner of the Company or any of its subsidiaries and relates to the business relationship between the Company and any of its subsidiaries and that vendor or partner.

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There have been no related party transactions since the beginning of the 2010 fiscal year nor are there any such transactions proposed.

#### INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Audit Committee has appointed Ernst & Young LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm of the Company for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011, subject to shareholder ratification. Ernst & Young LLP also acted in such capacity during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010 and 2009. Representatives of Ernst & Young LLP, who are expected to be present at the meeting, will be given an opportunity to make a statement if they so desire and to respond to appropriate questions asked by stockholders. The fees billed by Ernst & Young LLP for the last two Company fiscal years were as follows, all of which were approved by the Audit Committee:

#### **Audit Fees**

Fees for audit services totaled \$1,655,142 and \$1,742,444 in 2010 and 2009, respectively, and include fees associated with the annual audits, the Sarbanes-Oxley Section 404 attestation, the reviews of the Company s quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, other SEC filings, and audit consultations.

#### **Audit-Related Fees**

Fees for audit-related services totaled \$172,275 and \$60,000 in 2010 and 2009, respectively. Audit-related services include due diligence in connection with acquisitions, consultation on accounting and internal control matters, and audits in connection with employee benefit plans.

#### **Tax Fees**

Fees for tax services, including tax compliance, tax advice and tax planning, totaled \$37,942 and \$209,774 in 2010 and 2009, respectively.

#### **All Other Fees**

Fees for all other services not included above were \$0 for both 2010 and 2009.

#### **Audit Committee Pre-Approval Policy**

The Audit Committee has adopted a policy that requires advance approval of all audit, audit-related, tax services, and other permissible non-audit services performed by the independent registered public accounting firm. Prior to engagement, the Audit Committee pre-approves independent registered public accounting firm services and fee amounts or ranges within each category. Either the independent registered public accounting firm or the Company's Chief Financial Officer (or his designee) must submit to the Audit Committee requests for services to be provided by the independent registered public accounting firm. The Audit Committee may delegate pre-approval authority to one of its members. The member to whom such authority is delegated must report, for informational purposes only, any pre-approval decisions to the Audit Committee at its next meeting.

The Audit Committee requires the Company s Internal Audit Director to report to the Audit Committee on a periodic basis the results of the Internal Audit Director s monitoring of the independent registered public accounting firm s performance of all services to the Company and whether the performance of those services was in compliance with the Audit Committee s pre-approval policy. Both the Internal Audit Director and management are required to report immediately to the Audit Committee any breaches by the independent registered public accounting firm of the policy.

## STOCKHOLDER PROPOSALS

Proposals of stockholders intended to be presented at the 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders must be received by the Company at its principal offices by December 15, 2011, in order to be considered for inclusion in the Company s proxy statement and proxy relating to the 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

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## **CONCLUSION**

The Board of Directors knows of no other matters to be presented for stockholder action at the meeting. However, if other matters do properly come before the meeting, it is intended that the persons named in the proxies will vote upon them in accordance with their best judgment.

## BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Lawrence A. Margolis, Secretary

April 11, 2011

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APPENDIX A

## ARRIS GROUP, INC. 2011 STOCK INCENTIVE PLAN

- 1. **PURPOSE AND EFFECTIVE DATE.** ARRIS Group, Inc. (the Company ) has established this 2011 Stock Incentive Plan (the Plan ) to facilitate the retention and continued motivation of key employees, active consultants and directors and to align more closely their interests with those of the Company and its stockholders. The effective date of the Plan shall be the date it is approved by the stockholders of the Company (the Effective Date ). No grants shall be made under this Plan subsequent to ten (10) years after the Effective Date. This Plan will have no impact on the Company s existing stock incentive plans or the awards outstanding thereunder except as provided in Section 7 of this Plan.
- 2. **ADMINISTRATION.** The Plan shall be administered by the Compensation Committee of the Company s Board of Directors or such other Board committee consisting solely of independent directors (as determined by the Board or a committee thereof) as the Board may designate (the Committee). The Committee has the authority and responsibility for the interpretation, administration and application of the provisions of the Plan, and the Committee s interpretations of the Plan, and all actions taken by it and determinations made by it, shall be binding on all persons. The Committee may authorize one or more officers to grant awards to the extent permitted by Section 157(c) of the Delaware General Corporation Law. No Board or Committee member shall be liable for any determination, decision or action made in good faith with respect to the Plan.
- 3. **SHARES SUBJECT TO PLAN.** A total of 17,500,000 shares of Common Stock, or rights with respect to Common Stock, of the Company (Shares) may be issued pursuant to the Plan. The Shares may be authorized but unissued Shares or Shares reacquired by the Company and held in its treasury. In determining the number of Shares available for awards:
  - (a) Grants of awards under the Plan will reduce the number of Shares available thereunder by the maximum number of Shares obtainable under such grants.
  - (b) Awards of stock, stock units, restricted stock, performance shares and units, and dividend equivalent rights will reduce the number of shares that may be issued hereunder at the rate of 1.87 Shares per Share or interest granted.
  - (c) The aggregate number of Shares with respect to which incentive stock options may be issued under the Plan shall not exceed 5.000,000.
  - (d) If all or any portion of the Shares otherwise subject to an award under the Plan are not delivered or do not vest for any reason including, but not limited to, the cancellation, expiration or termination of any option right or unit, the settlement of any award in cash, the forfeiture of any restricted stock or performance shares, or the repurchase of any Shares by the Company from a participant for the cost of the participant s investment in the Shares, such number of Shares shall be available again for issuance under the Plan.
  - (e) Shares tendered (either actually or through attestation) to pay option exercise prices, shares withheld for the payment of withholding and other taxes and shares and other awards repurchased by the Company from a person using proceeds from the exercise of awards by that person shall not be available for a future award, and the determination of the number of Shares issued in connection with stock-settled stock appreciation rights shall be based upon the number of Shares with respect to which the rights were

based and not just the number of Shares delivered upon settlement.

(f) Shares issued in connection with awards that are assumed, converted or substituted pursuant to a merger or an acquisition shall not be counted against the Shares that may be issued under the Plan even though, at the election of the Committee, they otherwise may be subject to the Plan.

The number of Shares covered by or specified in the Plan and the number of Shares and the purchase price for Shares under any outstanding awards, may be adjusted proportionately by the Committee for any increase or

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decrease in the number of issued Shares or any change in the value of the Shares resulting from a subdivision or consolidation of Shares, reorganization, recapitalization, spin-off, payment of stock dividends on Shares, any other increase or decrease in the number of issued Shares made without receipt of consideration by the Company, or the payment of an extraordinary cash dividend.

- 4. **ELIGIBILITY.** All key employees, active consultants and directors of the Company and its subsidiaries are eligible to be selected to receive a grant under the Plan by the Committee. The Committee may condition eligibility under the Plan, and any grant or exercise of an award under the Plan, on such conditions, limitations or restrictions as the Committee determines to be appropriate for any reason. No person may be granted in any period of two consecutive calendar years, awards covering more than 1,500,000 Shares. The maximum amount to be granted to any one person pursuant to performance units, in any calendar year, shall not exceed \$2,000,000 with the value of the performance units to be determined by the Committee.
- 5. **AWARDS.** The Committee may grant awards under the Plan to eligible persons in the form of stock options (including incentive stock options within the meaning of section 422 of the Code), stock grants, stock units, restricted stock, stock appreciation rights, performance shares and units and dividend equivalent rights, and shall establish the number of Shares subject to each such grant and the terms thereof, including any adjustments for reorganizations and dividends, subject to the following:
  - (a) All awards granted under the Plan shall be evidenced by written documents in such form and containing such terms and conditions not inconsistent with the Plan as the Committee shall prescribe.
  - (b) The exercise price of any option or stock appreciation right shall not be less than the fair market value of a corresponding number of Shares as of the date of grant, except options or stock appreciation rights being granted to replace options or rights not initially granted by the Company or its predecessors may be granted with exercise prices that in the judgment of the Committee result in options or rights having comparable value to the options or rights being replaced.
  - (c) The maximum term on options and stock appreciation rights shall not exceed ten (10) years.
  - (d) Options and stock appreciation rights shall vest over a minimum of three years (and shall vest no more quickly than ratably), and all other awards shall have a minimum vesting or holding period of three years, provided that (i) awards that are issued in connection with mergers and acquisitions may have vesting and holding periods that are the same as any awards that they are replacing or otherwise as deemed appropriate by the Committee, and (ii) a vesting or holding period may be reduced as a result of death, disability, retirement, a merger or sale, termination of employment, change in control or other extraordinary event. In the absence of an extraordinary event, the vesting and holding restrictions applicable to an award shall not be reduced or otherwise waived.
  - (e) Awards granted under this Plan shall not be transferred, assigned, pledged or hypothecated or otherwise transferred by the grantee except by will or the laws of descent and distribution to the extent permitted in the award itself.
  - (f) No option may be repriced by amendment, substitution or cancellation and regrant unless authorized by the Company s stockholders. Adjustments pursuant to Section 3 above shall not be considered repricing.
  - (g) When issuing performance shares or units performance criteria may include: revenue; earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA); cash earnings (earnings before amortization of intangibles); operating income; pre- or after-tax income; earnings per share, net cash flow; net cash flow

per share; net earnings; return on equity; return on total capital; return on sales, return on net assets employed, return on assets; economic value added (or an equivalent metric); share price performance; total shareholder return; improvement in or attainment of expense levels; operating and other margins; and improvement in or attainment of working capital levels. Performance criteria may be related to a specific customer or group of customers or geographic region. Performance criteria may be measured solely on a corporate, subsidiary or division basis, or a combination thereof. Performance criteria may reflect absolute entity performance or a relative

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comparison of entity performance to the performance of a peer group of entities or other external measure of the selected performance criteria. Profit, earnings and revenues used for any performance goal measurement may exclude any extraordinary or nonrecurring items and may be adjusted to reflect changes in accounting principles.

- (h) Awards may be settled in cash, shares or deferred delivery, as authorized by the Committee.
- (i) Shares available under the Plan may be used as form of payment for compensation, grants or rights earned or due under other Company plans or arrangements.
- 6. **AMENDMENT OF THE PLAN.** The Board of Directors or the Committee may from time to time suspend, terminate, revise or amend the Plan or the terms of any grant in any respect whatsoever, provided that, without the approval of the stockholders of the Company, no such revision or amendment may increase the number of Shares subject to the Plan, change the provisions of Section 5 above, or expand those eligible for grants under the Plan.
- 7. **PRIOR PLANS.** As of the Effective Date no further awards shall be made under any of the Company s prior stock incentive plans.
- 8. **RECOUPMENT.** Awards under the Plan shall be subject to any recoupment or clawback policy of the Company in effect on the date of award as well as any applicable law or regulation providing for recoupment or clawback.
- 9. **GENERAL**. The laws of the State of Delaware shall apply to the Plan. Nothing herein shall restrict the Board from exercising the authority granted hereunder to the Committee or otherwise from exercising its fiduciary duties.

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O ARRIS GROUP, INC. 3871 Lakefield Drive Suwanee, GA 30024 THIS PROXY IS SOLICITED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS The undersigned hereby appoints Robert Stanzione, Lawrence Margolis, and David Potts, and each of them, with power to act without the other and with power of substitution as proxies and attorneys-in-fact and hereby authorizes them to represent and vote, as provided on the other side, all the shares of Arris Group, Inc. Common Stock which the undersigned is entitled to vote, and, in their discretion, to vote upon such other business as may properly come before the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of the company to be held May 25, 2011 or at any adjournment or postponement thereof, with all powers which the undersigned would possess if present at the Meeting. (Continued and to be signed on the reverse side.) 14475

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