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On May 10, 2013, Elliott Associates, L.P. and Elliott International, L.P. issued the following press release:

ELLIOTT STATEMENT ON HESS ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING SEPARATION OF CHAIRMAN AND CEO POSITIONS

Urges Shareholders to Vote Green Proxy Card for Independent Board Nominees

New York (May 10, 2013) Elliott Management Corporation (Elliott), one of the largest shareholders of Hess Corporation (NYSE: HES), today issued the following statement on the Hess announcement regarding separation of the chairman and chief executive officer roles:

A resolution to split the Chairman & CEO roles at Hess is on this year's proxy. Hess's announcement today is not a concession or step on the part of the Company, rather it is a reaction to the shareholder vote currently underway. It is significant to note that Hess's Board recommended against this split only a few weeks ago.

We are excited about the tremendous and continuing support the Shareholder Nominees are receiving. They will be a great benefit to the Hess Board. We look forward to a new era of accountability at Hess.

As ISS said in its report last week when it recommended for the entire slate of shareholder director nominees, the question is never whether an incumbent board, having presided over a long destruction of value, has suddenly awakened to the need for change: it is whether, when the heightened scrutiny of the proxy contest ends, the same board is likely to remain as reinvigorated as it now professes to be.

Cast Your Vote for Highly-Qualified Independent Shareholder Nominees

By voting the **GREEN** proxy card, Hess shareholders can elect five new, outstanding directors who will evaluate **all** options for unlocking the substantial value that is trapped inside the company.

- **Rodney Chase (Former Deputy Group CEO, BP):** Managed every major business at BP.
- **Harvey Golub (Former CEO, AmEx):** Led turnaround resulting in 750% share appreciation.

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- **Karl Kurz (Former COO, Anadarko):** Helped lead a successful transformation of Anadarko.
- **David McManus (Former EVP, Pioneer):** Executed a text book repositioning of a portfolio.
- **Mark Smith (Senior VP/CFO, Ultra):** Manages lowest-cost operator in resource play environment.

Please vote for these world-class directors by signing and returning the **GREEN** proxy card, voting by phone, or voting online today.

For more information, please visit www.reassesshess.com.

Additional Information

Elliott Associates, L.P. and Elliott International, L.P. (Elliott) filed a definitive proxy statement and an accompanying proxy card with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on April 3, 2013. Stockholders are advised to read the definitive proxy statement, and other materials filed with the SEC, because they contain important information concerning Elliott 's solicitation of proxies for the 2013 Hess Annual Meeting of Stockholders, including information concerning the participants in that solicitation. These materials are available for no charge at the SEC 's website at www.sec.gov or by directing a request to Elliott 's proxy solicitor, Okapi Partners, at its toll-free number (877) 796-5274 or via email at info@okapipartners.com.

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About Elliott Management:

Elliott's two funds, Elliott Associates, L.P. and Elliott International, L.P., together have more than \$21 billion of assets under management. Founded in 1977, Elliott is one of the oldest hedge funds under continuous management. The Elliott funds' investors include large institutions, high-net-worth individuals and families, and employees of the firm.

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