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### NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

 $TAKE\ NOTICE\ that\ the\ 2006\ annual\ meeting\ of\ shareholders\ of\ Alpha\ Pro\ Tech,\ Ltd.,\ (the\quad Company\ )\ will\ be\ held\ at\ the\ Treasure\ Island\ Hotel,\ 3300\ Las\ Vegas\ Boulevard\ South,\ Las\ Vegas,\ Nevada,\ on:$ 

Monday, June 12, 2006

at the hour of 9:30 o clock A.M. (local time) for the following purposes:

1.	To elect seven directors to serve until the 2007 annual meeting of shareholders.
2.	To ratify the appointment of our independent registered public accountants for fiscal 2006; and
3. thereof.	To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment
Our Board of Direc	ctors unanimously recommends that you vote FOR each of the proposals set forth in this Proxy Statement.
Accompanying this	Notice is the Proxy Statement and Proxy Card.
close of business on postponements of th	ors set April 21, 2006, as the record date for the meeting. This means that owners of the Company s common stock at the that date are entitled to (1) receive notice of the meeting and (2) vote at the meeting and any adjournments or e meeting. We will make available a list of Shareholders of the Company as of the close of business on April 21, 2006 formal business hours from June 2 through June 11, 2006, at the Treasure Island Hotel, in Las Vegas, Nevada. This list will he meeting.
DATED: April 29	9, 2006
	BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
	AL MILLAR
	President

### YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT

WE URGE YOU TO VOTE PROMPTLY BY SIGNING AND RETURNING THE ENCLOSED PROXY CARD. IF YOU DECIDE TO ATTEND THE MEETING, YOU MAY REVOKE THE PROXY AND VOTE YOUR SHARES IN PERSON.

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This Proxy Statement and accompanying Proxy Card are first being sent to shareholders on or about May 12, 2006.

## ABOUT THIS MEETING

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#### What is the purpose of the annual meeting?

At our annual meeting, shareholders will act upon the matters outlined on the previous page and described in this Proxy Statement, including the election of directors and ratification of the appointment of our independent registered public accountants. In addition, management will report on the performance of the Company and respond to questions from shareholders.

#### Who is entitled to vote at the meeting?

Only shareholders of record of common stock at the close of business on April 21, 2006 are entitled to vote. Each shareholder of common stock is entitled to one vote per share. We are authorized to issue 50,000,000 common shares, par value \$.01 per share. There were issued and outstanding 24,090,953 shares of common stock as of the close of business on April 21, 2006. There is only one class of shares.

#### How do I vote?

You can vote by filling out the accompanying proxy and returning it in the postage paid return envelope that we have enclosed for you. Voting information is provided on the enclosed proxy.

#### What if my shares are held by a broker or nominee?

If you hold your shares in street name i.e. in the name of a broker, bank or other record holder, follow the voting instructions on the form you receive from them.

#### Who can attend the meeting?

All shareholders as of the record date, or their duly appointed proxies, may attend the meeting. Each shareholder may be asked to present valid picture identification, such as a driver s license or passport. Please note that if you hold your shares in street name (that is, through a broker or other nominee), you will need to bring a copy of a brokerage statement reflecting your stock ownership as of the record date and check-in at the registration desk at the meeting.

#### How will my proxy be voted?

Your proxy, when properly signed and returned to us, and not revoked, will be voted in accordance with your instructions relating to Proposal 1, the election of directors and on Proposal 2. We are not aware of any other matter that may be properly presented. If any other matter is properly presented, the persons named in the enclosed form of proxy will have discretion to vote in their best judgment.

#### What if I don t mark the boxes on my proxy?

Unless you give other instructions on your proxy, the persons named as proxies will vote in accordance with the recommendations of the Board of Directors. The Board s recommendation is set forth together with the description of each proposal in this Proxy Statement. In summary, the Board recommends a vote <u>For</u>:

the election of the nominated directors; and

the ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as our independent registered public accountants for 2006.

#### Can I go to the Annual Meeting if I vote by proxy?

Yes. Attending the meeting does not revoke the proxy. However, you may revoke your proxy at any time before it is actually voted by giving written notice to the secretary of the meeting or by delivering a later dated proxy.

#### Will my vote be public?

No. As a matter of policy, shareholder proxies, ballots and tabulations that identify individual shareholders are kept confidential and are only available if actually necessary to meet legal requirements.

#### What constitutes a quorum?

The presence at the meeting, in person or by proxy, of the holders of a majority in voting power of the outstanding shares of common stock entitled to vote will constitute a quorum, permitting the meeting to conduct its business. Proxies received but marked as abstentions and broker non-votes will be included in the calculation of the number of shares considered to be present at the meeting.

#### How many votes are needed to approve an Item?

The affirmative vote of shares representing a majority in voting power of the shares of common stock, present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote at the meeting, is necessary for approval of Proposal 2. Proxies marked as abstentions on these matters will not be voted and will have the effect of a negative vote. The election of directors will be by a plurality of the votes cast. A proxy marked to withhold authority for the election of one or more directors will not be voted with respect to the director or directors indicated, although it will be counted for purposes of determining whether there is a quorum.

## PERSONS MAKING THE SOLICITATION

Solicitations will be made by mail and possibly supplemented by telephone or other personal contact to be made without special compensation by regular officers and employees of the Company. We may reimburse shareholder s nominees or agents (including brokers holding shares on behalf of clients) for the cost incurred in obtaining from their principals authorization to execute proxies. No solicitation will be made by specifically engaged employees or soliciting agents. The cost of solicitation will be borne by us.

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The Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 2005 containing financial and other information about the Company is enclosed.

### **ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

#### Proposal 1.

The Board of Directors of the Company is currently fixed at seven members. Directors are elected annually for a term of office to expire at the succeeding annual meeting of shareholders after their election and until their successors are duly elected and qualified. The Board of Directors proposes that the seven nominees described below, all of whom are currently serving as directors, be re-elected for a new term of one year and until their successors are duly elected and qualified. All nominees are currently directors and all were elected by the shareholders at our last annual meeting.

Each of the nominees has consented to serve. If any of them should become unavailable to serve as a director (which is not now expected), the Board may designate a substitute nominee. In that case, the persons named as proxies will vote for the substitute nominee designated by the Board.

The Board of Directors unanimously recommends a vote FOR each of the nominees for election as directors.

There are set forth below following the names of the nominees and our executive officers, their present positions and offices with the Company, their principal occupations and business experience during the past five years, directorships held with other corporations, certain other information, their ages and the date first elected as a director or executive officer.

DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

Name	Age	Director or Executive Officer Since	Position with the Company
Sheldon Hoffman	68	July 11, 1989	CEO and Director
Al Millar	64	July 11, 1989	President and Director
Robert H. Isaly	77	November 15, 1989	Director
John Ritota	54	December 18, 1991	Director
Donald E. Bennett, Jr.	65	June 23, 1994	Director and Senior Vice President-Manufacturing
Russell Manock	58	June 10, 2000	Director
David B. Anderson	54	April 28, 2004	Director
Lloyd Hoffman	45	July 1, 1993	CFO and Senior Vice-President Finance and Administration
Michael Scheerer	46	January 1, 1997	Senior Vice President Sales and Marketing
Danny Montgomery	57	June 14, 2005	Senior Vice President Engineered Products

SHELDON HOFFMAN is a chartered accountant and has been a director and chief executive officer of the Company since July 11, 1989. Mr. Hoffman founded and was president of Absco Aerosols, Ltd., a custom manufacturer of aerosols and liquids, from 1967 to 1985 until that company was sold to CCL Industries, Inc. ( CCL ), a manufacturer of aerosol and liquid products and containers. Mr. Hoffman joined CCL from 1986 to 1987 as director of business development and then joined CCW Systems, Ltd., a water filter manufacturer, as president and chief executive officer.

ALEXANDER W. MILLAR has been a director of the Company since July 11, 1989 and president since August 1, 1989. Mr. Millar has spent over 30 years as a professional in sales and marketing including international marketing. Mr. Millar, in various sales capacities, including vice-president of sales, was associated with Mr. Hoffman at Absco Aerosols Ltd. from 1971 to 1985, when the business was sold to CCL. He then joined CCL as manager of business development for North America. In March 1988, he formed Milmed International Distributors Limited to distribute the Company s products internationally. In 1989 Milmed gave up its rights to distribute these products internationally at which time Milmed ceased operations.

**ROBERT H. ISALY** has been a director of the Company since November 20, 1989. He was the owner of a nursery, Florida Bedding Plants Inc. from 1986 to 1992. Prior thereto he was involved with two Ohio based family businesses, the Isaly Dairy Company and the H.R. Isaly Cheese Company. He is currently an independent businessman.

**JOHN RITOTA** has been a director of the Company since December 18, 1991 and since 1981 to the present time has been operating a general dentistry practice, Ritota and Ritota, with his brother in Delray Beach, Florida.

**DONALD E. BENNETT, JR.** is the senior vice president - manufacturing and has been a director and executive officer since June 23, 1994. He joined the Company on March 24, 1994 as president of its newly formed Apparel Division which was established to acquire the assets of Disposable Medical Products, Inc. ( DMPI ), a manufacturer of medical apparel items including bouffant caps, shoe covers, gowns, coveralls and lab coats. Mr. Bennett owned and operated DMPI for approximately twenty years prior to the Company s acquisition of its assets.

**RUSSELL MANOCK** is a chartered accountant and has been a director of the Company since June 10, 2000. He has been a senior partner in the public accounting firm, Snow & Manock in Toronto, Ontario, Canada since 1976.

**DAVID B. ANDERSON** is a practicing lawyer and has been a director of the Company since April 28, 2004. He is a founding member and partner in the law firm of Walston, Wells, Anderson & Bains, LLP, in Birmingham, Alabama since 1991.

**Information Concerning Our Executive Officers** 

Three of the executive officers of the Company, Sheldon Hoffman, Al Millar and Donald E. Bennett, Jr. are also directors and nominees, and are identified above. Information follows on the other current executive officers of the Company.

**LLOYD HOFFMAN** joined the Company on November 15, 1991. In September, 2002 he was named Chief Financial Officer along with being Senior Vice President - Finance and Administration since 1999. From 1987 to 1991, Mr. Hoffman was in charge of Finance and Administration and a partner in Software Concepts Inc. a developer of software for association and magazine publishing.

MICHAEL SCHEERER joined the Company on January 1, 1997 as Senior Vice President-Sales and Marketing. From 1990 to October 1992, Mr. Scheerer was Director of Sales-Development and Administration at Baxter Scientific Products. In October, 1992, he was named Vice President-Sales and Marketing for Baxter s Critical Environmental Solutions business. In September, 1995, Baxter Scientific Products was purchased by VWR Scientific Products, Inc. where Mr. Scheerer served as Vice-President Critical Environmental Solutions and New Business Ventures until joining the Company.

**DANNY MONTGOMERY** is the Senior Vice President of Alpha ProTech Engineered Products, Inc. Mr. Montgomery has 40 years manufacturing and sales experience in various plastic and polymer industries. Mr. Montgomery jointed Alpha Pro Tech in July 1994 when the assets of Ludan Corp, a company he founded and managed, were acquired by Alpha Pro Tech, Inc.

There are no family relationships between the above persons other than Lloyd Hoffman who is the son of Sheldon Hoffman.

Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management

The following table sets forth certain information as of March 31, 2006 with respect to shares of Common Stock of the Company beneficially owned by each director of the Company, each nominee for director, each executive officer of the Company, by all officers and directors as a group, and by persons known to the Company to be beneficial owners of more than 5% of the Company s Stock.

Directors, Executive Officers and 5% Shareholders	Number of Shares Beneficially Owned	Percent of Class
William R. Lykken 740 McHugh Avenue		
Grafton, ND	1,452,686(1)	6.03%
Al Millar, President and Director	1,849,811(2)	7.7%
Sheldon Hoffman, CEO and Director	1,487,638(3)	6.2%
Robert H. Isaly, Director	633,790(4)	2.6%
John Ritota, Director	286,444(5)	1.2%
Lloyd Hoffman, CFO and Sr. VP- Finance and Administration	410,000(6)	1.7%
Donald E. Bennett, Jr., Senior Vice President-Manufacturing and Director	355,667(7)	1.5%
Russell Manock, Director	100,900(8)	*
Michael Scheerer Sr. VP-Sales and Marketing	556,900(9)	2.3%
David B. Anderson, Director	79,334(10)	*
Danny Montgomery Sr. VP- Engineered Products	243,620(11)	1.0
All directors and executive officers as a Group (10 persons)	6,004,104	24.9%

<sup>\*</sup>Represents less than 1 percent of our outstanding shares.

(1) beneficial owners	Includes 30,338 shares owned beneficially by Mr. Lykken s wife, as to which Mr. Lykken disclaims ship.
(2) 35,000 shares sul disclaims benefic	Includes 550,000 shares subject to currently exercisable options; and includes 120,942 shares and oject to currently exercisable options owned beneficially by Mr. Millar s wife, as to which Mr. Millar stal ownership.
beneficially by M 410,051 shares o ownership. The b	Includes 550,000 shares subject to currently exercisable options; and includes 73,002 shares owned Ir. Hoffman s wife, as to which Mr. Hoffman disclaims beneficial ownership. Does not include wned beneficially by Hoffman Family Trust, as to which Mr. Hoffman disclaims beneficial beneficiaries of the Hoffman Family Trust are Mr. Hoffman s wife and their two children. Es not have the power to vote or dispose of the shares held by the Trust.
(4) beneficially by M	Includes 213,000 shares subject to currently exercisable options; and includes 79,700 shares owned Ir. Isaly s wife, as to which Mr. Isaly disclaims beneficial ownership.
(5) beneficially by D disclaims benefic	Includes 105,000 shares subject to currently exercisable options; and includes 8,750 shares owned by Dr. Ritota s wife and 5,000 shares owned beneficially by Dr. Ritota s daughter as to which Dr. Ritota bial ownership.
•	Includes 310,000 shares subject to currently exercisable options. Mr. Hoffman disclaims beneficial espect to any shares of the Company held in the Hoffman Family Trust (see (2) above), except to the uniary interest therein.
(7)	Includes 250,000 shares subject to currently exercisable options.
(8) beneficially by M	Includes 30,000 shares subject to currently exercisable options; and includes 2,500 shares owned Ir. Manock s wife as to which Mr. Manock disclaims beneficial ownership.
(9) beneficially by M	Includes 300,000 shares subject to currently exercisable options; and 38,450 shares owned Ir. Scheerer s wife as to which Mr. Scheerer disclaims beneficial ownership.

(10)	Includes 40,000 shares subject to currently exercisable options.
(11) by Mr. Mongo	Includes 65,000 shares subject to currently exercisable options; and 8,270 shares owned beneficially mery s wife as to which Mr. Montgomery disclaims beneficial ownership
A currently exerci	sable option is one which is exercisable within 60 days from the date hereof.
outstanding all sha	tage of ownership is based on 24,090,953 shares of our common stock outstanding on March 31, 2006 and treats as ares underlying currently exercisable options held by the identified person, director or officer in the first column. These shares leemed outstanding for the purpose of computing the percentage ownership of any other person.
The addresses of e Canada L3R 9R2.	each of the executive officers and directors is care of Alpha Pro Tech, Ltd., 60 Centurian Dr., Suite 112, Markham, Ontario,
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#### INFORMATION REGARDING THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, COMMITTEES AND MEETINGS

The principal role of our Board of Directors is to oversee the management of the Company s affairs for the benefit of our shareholders. During each year we review our corporate governance policies and practices and compare them to those suggested by various authorities in the matters of corporate governance and the practice of other companies, taking into account the size and resources of our Company. Additionally we continue to review the provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and new, as well as proposed rules of the SEC and the enhanced listing standards of the American Stock Exchange (the Amex )

Our Board of Directors has a standing Organizational Development and Compensation Committee, a Nominating/Governance Committee and an Audit Committee. The functions of each of the Organizational Development and Compensation Committee, the Nominating/Governance Committee and the Audit Committee are governed by charters that have been adopted by the Board of Directors. Our Board of Directors also has adopted a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics that applies to the Company s Directors, officers and employees.

The charters of the Organizational Development and Compensation Committee, Nominating/ Governance Committee and the amended and restated charter of the Audit Committee, and the Code of Business Conduct and Ethics are available in the Corporate Governance section of our website at www.alphaprotech.com. The Company intends to disclose any amendments to the Code of Business and Ethics, and any waiver of the Code of Business Conduct and Ethics granted to any Director or executive officer of the Company on the Company s website. As of the date of this Proxy Statement, there have been no such waivers.

#### **Directors Independence**

The Amex listing standards provide that at least a majority of the members of the Board of Directors must be independent, i.e., free of any material relationship with the Company, other than his or her relationship as director or Board Committee member. A director is not independent if he or she fails to satisfy the standards for independence under the Amex listing standards, the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission, and any other applicable laws, rules and regulations.

The Board of Directors, after a review of all relevant facts and circumstances has affirmatively determined that each of the Directors and nominees, with the exception of Sheldon Hoffman, Alexander W. Millar and Donald E. Bennett, Jr., is free from any material relationship with the Company and is independent.

**Audit Committee** 

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The purposes of the Audit Committee are to assist the Board of Directors in fulfilling its oversight of the integrity of the Company s financial statements, the Company s compliance with legal and regulatory requirements, the independent auditor s qualifications and independence, the performance of the Company s internal audit function and independent auditor, and prepares the report of the Audit Committee. The specific functions and responsibilities of the Audit Committee are set forth in the Amended and Restated Audit Committee Charter which was adopted by the Board in April 2004 and included as an exhibit to the Proxy Statement in 2004. It is available on the Company s website.

The Board has determined that each member of the Audit Committee is financially literate and satisfies the current independence standards of the Amex listing standards and Section 10A(m)(3) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The Board has also determined that Russell Manock qualifies as an audit committee financial expert as that term is defined in Item 401(h) of Regulation S-K. As an audit committee financial expert, Mr. Manock also satisfies the Amex accounting and financial management expertise requirements.

The audit committee consisting of Messrs Russell Manock, Robert H. Isaly and John Ritota, with Mr. Manock as chairman, met six times in 2005.

#### **Organizational Development and Compensation Committee**

In April 2004, the Board expanded the function of the Compensation Committee to encompass organizational development and adopted an Organizational Development and Compensation Committee Charter, which is available on the Company s website.

The Committee  $\,$ s function is to assist the Board of Directors in discharging its oversight responsibilities relating to, among other things, executive compensation, equity and incentive compensation plans, management succession planning and training of all management levels and producing the Committee Report. The Committee administers the Company  $\,$ s Stock Option Plans and its Retirement Savings Plan (the  $\,$ 401(k) Plan  $\,$ ). The Committee reviews and determines the salary and bonus compensation of the Chief Executive Officer as well as reviews and recommends to the Board of Directors for its approval the compensation of the other executive officers of the Company. Each of the members of the Committee is independent within the meaning of the Amex listing standards.

The Organizational Development and Compensation Committee, consisting of Messrs. John Ritota (Chairman), Robert H. Isaly and David B. Anderson met four times in 2005.

#### **Nominating/Governance Committee**

In April 2004 the Board of Directors formed a Nominating/Governance Committee and adopted the requisite charter.

The purpose of the Nominating/Governance Committee (the Committee ) is to (1) identify and recommend to the Board of Directors (the Board ) candidates for nomination or appointment as directors, (2) review and recommend to the Board appointments to Board committees, (3) develop and recommend to the Board, corporate governance guidelines for the Company and any changes to those guidelines, (4) review, from time to time, the Company s Code of Business Conduct and Ethics and certain other policies and programs intended to promote compliance by the Company with its legal and ethical obligations and recommend to the Board any changes to the Code and such policies and programs, and (5) oversee the Board s annual evaluation of its own performance.

The Committee consists of three directors designated by the Board, each of whom is an independent director under the Company's corporate governance guidelines and the rules of the Amex. All members of the Committee shall have in the judgment of the Board, the judgment, aptitude and experience required to advise the Board on matters relating to the selection of directors and matters of corporate governance and of business conduct and ethics.

The Board has established a process for shareholders and other interested parties to send communications to the Board as a group or any individual Director. A description of this process can be found in the Corporate Governance section of our website.

The Committee, consisting of Messrs. David B. Anderson, Russell Manock and Robert H. Isaly, with Mr. Anderson as Chairman, met four times in 2005.

#### How often did the Board meet in 2005?

During 2005, the Board of Directors of the Company held four meetings. Each director attended at least 75% of the aggregate of (a) the total number of meetings of the Board of Directors held during the period for which he served as a director, and (b) the total number of meetings held by all committees of the Board of Directors of the Company on which he served.

In addition to participation at Board and committee meetings, the Company s directors discharge their responsibilities throughout the year through personal meetings and other communications, including considerable telephone contact with the CEO and others regarding matters of interest and concern to the Company.

#### How are directors compensated?

Independent (non-employee) directors were paid a fee of \$6,000 in 2005; the annual fee was \$5000, per year paid in June and December and the rate increased prior to year end to \$6,000 per year. They are also reimbursed for their direct expenses incurred in attending a Board or Committee meeting.

Beginning with the Company s 2004 annual meeting of shareholders, each non-employee director became eligible to receive (i) a grant of a non-qualified stock option to purchase up to a maximum of 15,000 shares of common stock at each annual meeting at which he or she continues as a non-employee director, and (ii) a grant of a non-qualified option to purchase up to a maximum of 25,000 shares of common stock at the time he or she first becomes a non-employee director. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an individual who was first appointed a non-employee director on or after January 1, 2004 and prior to the Company s 2004 annual meeting of shareholders received only the initial stock option grant described in (ii) above.

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#### **Audit Committee Report**

The report does not constitute soliciting material and should not be deemed filed or incorporated by reference into any other of our filings under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, except to the extent we specifically incorporate this report by reference in the specific filing.

The Audit Committee of the Board of Directors has furnished the following report to shareholders of the Company in accordance with rules adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The audit committee, which is appointed annually by the Board of Directors at its meeting following the Annual Meeting of Shareholders, currently consists of three directors, all of whom are independent and meet the other qualification requirements under the applicable rules of the American Stock Exchange in 2005. The audit committee currently acts under an amended and restated written charter which was adopted by the Board of Directors in April 2004. As described in its charter, the audit committee is responsible for providing independent, objective oversight of the Company s accounting functions and internal controls, including recommending to the Board of Directors an accounting firm to serve as the Company s independent registered public accountants. The audit committees is not responsible for planning or conduct of the audits or the determination that the Company s financial statements are complete and accurate and in accordance with the generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with rules adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission, the audit committee of the Company states that:

The audit committee has reviewed and discussed with management the Company s audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005.

The audit committee has discussed with PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP, the Company s independent registered public accountants, the matters required to be discussed by Statement on Auditing Standards No. 61, as modified or supplemented.

The audit committee has received the written disclosures and the letter from PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP required by Independence Standards Board Standard No. 1 ( Independence Discussion with Audit Committees ), as modified or supplemented, and has discussed with PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP the independent registered public accountant s independence.

Based upon the review and discussions referred to above, and relying thereon, the audit committee recommended to the Board of Directors (and the Board has approved) that the Company s audited financial statements be included in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005 for filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

This report is submitted on behalf of the members of the Audit Committee:				
Russell Manock (Chairman)				
Robert H. Isaly				
John Ritota				
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#### EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The following report of the Organizational Development and Compensation Committee and the performance graph included elsewhere in this proxy statement do not constitute soliciting material and should not be deemed filed or incorporated by reference to any other of our filings under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, except to the extent we specifically incorporate this report or the performance graph by reference in the specified filing.

The Organizational and Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors (the Compensation Committee ) has furnished the following report on executive compensation to the shareholders of the Company.

Report of Compensation Committee on Executive Compensation for 2005

Compensation Procedures and Policies. Our executive compensation program in 2005 was administered by the
Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors. The Compensation Committee, which operated pursuant to a
separate charter adopted by the Board of Directors in April 2004, made recommendations on all of the three key
components of our executive compensation program, base salary, contractual incentive awards, and long-term
incentives.

incentives.
The Company s executive compensation program is structured to help the Company achieve its business objectives by:
providing compensation opportunities that will attract, motivate and retain highly qualified managers and executives
linking executives total compensation to company and individual job performance
providing an appropriate balance between incentives focused on achievement of annual business plans and longer term incentives tied to increases in shareholder value
Our executive compensation program is designed to provide competitive compensation opportunities for all corporate officers. Our total compensation levels fall in the low to middle of the range of rates paid by other employers of similar size and complexity, although complet comparative information is not easily obtainable.
In addition, the Compensation Committee has oversight responsibilities of management succession planning and training at all management levels.
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Our salary levels are intended to be consistent with competitive practices and levels of responsibility, with salary increases reflecting competitive trends, the overall financial performance of the Company, and the performance of the individual.

**Contractual Incentive Awards** 

Pursuant to the executive compensation program, the Company has contracted to provide two of its executive employees with profit participation incentive compensation. Messrs. Alexander Millar and Sheldon Hoffman are each entitled to a cash incentive participation equal to 5% of the consolidated annual pre-tax profits of the Company.

**Stock Options** 

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We periodically grant incentive and non-qualified stock options to purchase the Company s Common Stock in order to provide certain compensation to key employees and those of our subsidiaries with a competitive total compensation

package and to reward them for their contribution to the Company s short and long-term stock performance. These stock options are designed to align the employees interest with those of the shareholders. All options have an option price that is not less than the fair market value of the stock on the date of grant. The terms of the options and the dates after which they become exercisable were established by the Board with respect to incentive stock options, within the parameters of the new 2004 Stock Option Plan. We do not grant stock appreciation rights. The 2004 Stock Option Plan combines two previously expired separate plans for employees and directors.

#### 2005 Compensation

The CEO and President were each compensated on a salary and pay-for-performance approach. Taken into consideration were overall Company performance in attaining annual growth in revenues, the addition or development of new and enhanced products, pretax earnings, and the achievement of short and long term goals of the Company s business as established in its five year plan. Contractual incentive awards were earned in 2005 by both the Company s CEO and President.

Compliance with Section 162 (m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986

Deductibility of Compensation The Internal Revenue Service under Section 162 (m) of the Internal Revenue Code will generally deny the deduction of compensation paid to the Chairman and the four other highest paid executive officers required to be named in the Summary Compensation Table to the extent such compensation exceeds \$1 million per executive per year subject to an exception for compensation that meets certain performance-based requirements. Whether the Section 162 (m) limitations with respect to an executive will be exceeded and whether the Company s tax deduction for compensation paid in excess of the \$1 million limit will be denied will depend upon the resolution of various factual and legal issues that cannot be resolved at this time. As to options granted under the 1993 Incentive Stock Option Plan, the Committee intends to qualify to the extent practicable, such options under the rules governing the Section 162 (m) limitation so that compensation attributable to such options will not be subject to limitation under such rules. As to other compensation, while it is not expected that compensation to executives of the Company will exceed the Section 162 (m) limitation in the foreseeable future (and no officer of the Company received compensation in 2005 which resulted under Section 162 (m) in the non-deductibility of such compensation to the Company), various relevant considerations will be reviewed from time to time, taking into account the interests of the Company and its Shareholders, in determining whether to endeavor to cause such compensation to be exempt from the Section 162 (m) limitation.

Respectfully submitted,
John Ritota, Chairman
Robert H. Isaly
David B. Anderson

**Compensation Committee Interlocks** 

The Membership of the compensation committee is set forth under Report of the Compensation Committee. During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005, no director or executive officer of ours served on the board of directors or compensation committee of another company that had an executive officer or director serving on our Board of Directors or compensation committee.

#### **Summary Compensation Table**

The following table sets forth the compensation during the last three fiscal years for services in all capacities of those persons who were as of December 31, 2005, the Chief Executive Officer and each of the most highly compensated executive officers (a total of six persons), to the extent each earned more than \$100,000 in salary, bonus and other compensation ( Named Officers ).

Name and				Long Term Compen Shares	sation Awards
Name and Principal	,	Annual Compensation		Underlying	All Other
Position	Year	Salary(\$)	Bonus(\$)	Options(#)	Compensation(1)
Sheldon Hoffman	2005	287,500	214,500		
CEO	2004	250,000	159,000	75,000	
	2003	225,000	250,000		
Al Millar	2005	287,500	214,500		
President	2004	250,000	159,000	75,000	
	2003	225,000	250,000		
Michael Scheerer	2005	165,000	45,000		14,000
Sr. V.P Sales and Marketing	2004	160,000	35,000	50,000	14,000
	2003	150,000	50,000		14,000
D 115 D I	2005	150,000	45.000		0.400
Donald E. Bennett, Jr.	2005	170,000	45,000	<b>-</b> 0.000	8,400
Sr. V.P Manufacturing	2004	160,000	35,000	50,000	8,400
	2003	150,000	50,000		8,400
I 1J II- <i>ff</i>	2005	170,000	45,000		
Lloyd Hoffman CFO and Sr.V.P	2005	179,000	45,000	50,000	
	2004	160,000	35,000	50,000	
Finance & Administration	2003	149,000	50,000		
Danny Montgomery	2005	159,000	45,000		
Sr. V.P. Engineered Products	2003	130,000	30,000	50,000	
51. v.1. Engineered Froducts	2004	125,000	30,000	50,000	
	2003	123,000	30,000		

(1) Represents annual car allowance

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There were no grants of stock options made during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005 to the persons named in the Summary Compensation Table above.

#### Aggregate Option Exercises In Last Fiscal Year and Fiscal Year End Option Values

	Shares Acquired	Value Realized (\$) (FMV on sale-	# of Unexercised Options at Year End (#)			Value of Unexercised In-the Money Options at Year End (\$ ) (1)		
Name	On Exercise	exercise price)	Exercisable	Unexercisable		Exercisable.	Unexercisable	
Sheldon Hoffman	53,553	\$ 19,815	600,000	0	\$	824,750	0	
Al Millar	53,553	19,815	600,000	0		824,750	0	
Michael Scheerer	25,000	34,250	300,000	0		400,500	0	
Donald								
E.Bennett, Jr.	25,000	34,920	250,000	0		313,500	0	
Lloyd Hoffman	50,000	33,125	335,000	0		453,025	0	
Danny Montgomery	0	0	140,000	0		149,325	0	

<sup>(1)</sup> Calculated on the basis of the fair market value of the common stock at December 31, 2005 of \$2.33 per share, minus the per share exercise price, multiplied by the number of shares underlying the option. Amounts represent hypothetical gains that could be achieved for the respective options at the end of the 5-year option term. The assumed 5% and 10% rates of stock appreciation are mandated by rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission and do not represent the Company s estimate of the future common stock price. This table does not take into account any appreciation in the price of the common stock to date, which exceeds the hypothetical gain shown in the table

#### **Employment Arrangements**

Messrs. Hoffman and Millar are also entitled to a combined bonus equal to 10% of the pre-tax net profits of the Company (5% to each). Each earned a bonus of \$214,500 for 2005.

**Benefit Plans** 

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The following table summarizes information as of December 31, 2005, relating to equity compensation plans of the Company under which the Company s common stock is authorized for issuance.

Plan Category	Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights (a)	Weighted-average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants and rights (b)	Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in column (a)) (c) (4)
Equity compensation plans			
approved by shareholders	1,990,000(1) \$	0.89	0
Equity compensation plans not approved by shareholders	308,000(2)	0.91	0
Equity compensation plan			
approved by shareholders	515,000(3)	1.62	1,920,000
Total	2,813,000 \$	1.03	1,920,000

<sup>(1)</sup> The number shown in column (a) is the number of shares that may be issued upon exercise of outstanding options under the shareholders approved 1993 Incentive Stock Option Plan.

- (2) The number shown in column (a) is the number of shares that may be issued upon exercise of outstanding options under the 1993 Directors Plan not approved by shareholders.
- (3) The number shown in column (a) is the number of shares that may be issued upon exercise of outstanding options under the shareholders approved 2004 Stock Option Plan.
- (4) The number shown in column (c) is the number of shares that may be issued upon exercise of options granted in the future under the 1993 Plans and the 2004 plan.

**Incentive Stock Option Plan** 

The Company has an Incentive Stock Option Plan (the Plan ) for Officers and other Key Employees which was adopted by the Board of Directors in October, 1993 was approved by Shareholders at the Annual Meeting in June 1994. The Plan provides that the purchase price under the option shall be at least 100 percent of the fair market value of the shares of the Company s Common Stock on the date of grant. The options are not transferable. There are limitations on the amount of incentive stock options that an employee can be granted in a single calendar year. The terms of each option granted under the Plan is determined by the Board of Directors, but in no event may such term exceed five years. As of December 31, 2005, options covering an aggregate of 1,990,000 shares were outstanding. In the year ended December 31, 2005, no options were granted. The Plan expired on September 30, 2003 and no additional grants can be made.

**Retirement Savings Plan** 

The Company has a Retirement Savings Plan (the 401(k) Plan ) which is intended to qualify under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code. Employees of the Company who have attained age 21 and completed at least one year of service with the Company are eligible to make contributions to the 401(k) Plan on a pre-tax basis of up to 12% of the participant s compensation in any year in accordance with limitations defined in the Code. Under the 401(k) Plan the Company is matching 25% of the contributing participant s effective deferral but not in excess of 4% of such contributing participant s compensation. The pre-tax contributions made by a participant and the earnings thereon are at all times fully vested. The participant s interest in Company contributions and the earnings thereon will become vested at the rate of 20% per year for each year of service with the Company or, if earlier, upon such participant s death or disability. A participant s fully vested benefit under the 401(k) Plan may be distributed to the participant upon his retirement, death, disability or termination of employment or upon reaching age 59 1/2. The Company s only contribution in 2005 on behalf of any officer named under Executive Compensation was \$1,335 on behalf of Donald E. Bennett, Jr.

**Directors Stock Option Plan** 

The Board of Directors of the Company, in October, 1993, approved the 1993 Directors Stock Option Plan (the Directors Plan ) covering an aggregate of 600,000 shares of common stock, subsequently increased to 1,050,000 shares. A committee of the Board of Directors who are not eligible to participate administers the Directors Plan. Only directors of the Company who are not employees of the Company are eligible to participate in the Plan. Each option granted has an exercise price equal to fair market value of the date of grant. As of December 31, 2005, options covering an aggregate of 308,000 shares were outstanding. In the year ended December 31, 2005, no options were granted. The Plan expired on September 30, 2003 and no additional grants can be made. The Company does not have any pension, profit sharing or similar plans established for its employees, other than the bonus payable to Messrs. Hoffman and Millar.

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The Company has made previous filings under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, that incorporate future filings, including this Proxy Statement, in whole or in part. However, the following Performance Graph and the Report of the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of Alpha Pro Tech shall not be incorporated by reference into any such filings.

#### ASSUMES \$100 INVESTED ON JAN. 1, 2001 ASSUMES DIVIDEND REINVESTED FISCAL YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 2005

			R ENDING			
COMPANY/INDEX/MARKET	12/31/2000	12/31/2001	12/31/2002	12/29/2003	12/312004	12/31/2005
ALPHA PRO TECH, LTD.	100.00	74.07	70.71	196.13	164.14	196.13
Surgical Appliances & Supplies	100.00	111.95	121.64	182.91	218.15	208.62
NASDAQ Market Index	100.00	79.71	55.60	83.60	90.63	92.62

The above graph compares the five-year cumulative return of the Company during the years 2001 through 2005 with the comparable return of two indices. The Industry Index represents the industry or line-of-business of the Company. The graph assumes \$100 invested on January 1, 2001. The comparison assumes that all dividends are reinvested.

The Industry Index represents the Surgical Appliances and Supplies division comprised of 49 corporations, compiled from the SIC Code within which the Company is listed.

#### THE ALPHA PRO TECH, LTD.

#### 2004 STOCK OPTION PLAN

On June 8, 2004, shareholders approved a new Alpha Pro Tech, Ltd. 2004 Stock Option Plan (the 2004 Plan ). The 2004 Plan succeeded the 1993 Incentive Stock Option Plan (the 1993 Plan ) and the 1993 Directors Stock Option Plan (the Directors Plan ). The 1993 Plan expired by its terms in September 2003, and the Directors Plan similarly expired in October 2003, and no further stock options can be granted under either 1993 Plan.

The 2004 Plan is a stock-based compensation plan that provides for grants of stock options. The 2004 Plan is intended to recognize the contributions made to the Company by key employees of the Company and its subsidiaries and affiliated companies, provide key employees (officers, other employees and consultants) with additional incentive to devote themselves to the future success of the Company, and improve the ability of the Company to attract, retain and motivate individuals. The 2004 Plan also is intended as an additional incentive to members of the Board of Directors of the Company to serve on the Board and to devote themselves to the future success of the Company.

The Board believes that the adoption of the 2004 Plan was in the best interests of the Company and its shareholders. The Board believes that the use of stock options has enabled the Company to attract, retain and motivate talented and experienced individuals.

The 2004 Plan includes provisions designed to serve shareholders interests and promote effective corporate governance, including the following:

**No Discounted Stock Options**. The 2004 Plan prohibits the granting of stock options at an exercise price that is less than the fair market value of the common stock on the date the stock option is granted.

**No Annual Evergreen Provision**. The 2004 Plan fixes the number of shares available for grant at 2,500,000 shares and does not provide for any increase based on an increase in the number of outstanding shares of common stock.

**Limitations on Stock Option Repricings**. The 2004 Plan may not be amended to provide for the repricing of stock options.

**Limitations on Size of Awards**. The 2004 Plan limits the number of stock options that may be granted to an individual in any single calendar year.

**Vesting Periods**. Under the 2004 Plan, 100% of the stock options may vest on the first anniversary of the date of grant, subject in each case to a limited exception for termination of employment without cause.

The following is a summary of the 2004 Plan. A copy of the 2004 Plan may be seen on our website.

### Description of the 2004 Plan

**Number of Shares of Common Stock**. The number of shares of the Company s common stock that may be issued under the 2004 Plan is 2,500,000. Of these 2,500,000 shares: (i) the maximum number of shares that may be used for stock options to officers and key employees is 2,000,000, (ii) the maximum number of stock options issuable to non-employee directors is 500,000.

Shares issuable under the 2004 Plan will be authorized but unissued shares. If there is a lapse, forfeiture, expiration, termination or cancellation of any stock option grant made under the 2004 Plan for any reason, the shares will again be available for issuance. The number of shares of common stock issuable under the 2004 Plan is subject to adjustment, in the event of any reorganization, recapitalization, stock split, stock distribution, merger, consolidation, split-up, spin-off, combination, subdivision, consolidation or exchange of shares, any change in the capital structure of the Company or any similar corporate transaction. In each case, the Board has the discretion to make adjustments it deems necessary to preserve the intended benefits under the 2004 Plan.

Grants of stock options under the 2004 Plan may be transferred, by will, the laws of descent and distribution, pursuant to a qualified domestic relations order, or as may be permitted by the Board with respect to a non-qualified stock option transferred by the participant during his lifetime.

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Administration. The 2004 Plan is administered by the Board, which has authority to delegate administration to the Organizational Development & Compensation Committee (the Committee), so long as the Committee is comprised of two or more directors who satisfy the non-employee director definition under Rule 16b-3 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act) and the outside director definition under Section 162(m) of the Code. The Board or Committee, as applicable, has full authority to select the individuals who will receive awards under the 2004 Plan, determine the amount of each grant, and establish the terms and conditions of the grant. The Board or Committee may delegate to an officer of the Company its authority to grant options to employees who are not subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act or who are not covered employees under Section 162(m) of the Code. To the extent such authority has been delegated, references in this summary to the Board mean the Committee, or the officer of the Company.

Eligibility. All employees and consultants of the Company designated as key employees for purposes of the 2004 Plan and all non-employee directors of the Company are eligible to receive a grant of a stock option under the 2004 Plan. On March 31, 2004, approximately 182 key employees and all non-employee directors were eligible to participate in the 2004 Plan and receive grants of stock options.

**Stock Option Agreements**. Each stock option made under the 2004 Plan will be evidenced by a written agreement specifying the terms and conditions of the grant as determined by the Board in its sole discretion, consistent with the terms of the 2004 Plan. If a participant fails to enter into an agreement at the request of the Board, then the grant subject to the agreement will be forfeited and cancelled.

**Grants To Key Employees.** The 2004 Plan provides for discretionary awards of stock options.

Stock Options. The Board has the sole discretion to grant non-qualified stock options or incentive stock options to key employees and to set the terms and conditions applicable to the options, including the type of option and the number of shares subject to the option, provided that (i) the exercise price of each stock option shall be the closing sales price of the Company s common stock on the date on which the option is granted (fair market value), (ii) unless otherwise provided in the stock option agreement, an option will vest 100% on the first anniversary of the date of grant, and the Board cannot provide that a stock option will vest more rapidly (except in the case of the key employee s termination of employment without cause, in which case the Board has the discretion to accelerate the vesting date), and (iii) each option will expire 10 years from the date of grant.

In addition, an incentive stock option is subject to the following rules: (i) the aggregate fair market value (determined at the time the option is granted) of the shares of common stock with respect to which incentive stock options are exercisable for the first time by a key employee during any calendar year (under all incentive stock option plans of the Company and its subsidiaries) shall not exceed \$100,000, and if this limitation is exceeded, so much of the incentive stock option that does not exceed the applicable dollar limit shall be an incentive stock option and the remainder will be a non-qualified stock option; (ii) if an incentive stock option is granted to a key employee who owns stock possessing more than 10% of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock of the Company, the exercise price of the incentive stock option shall be 110% of the closing price of the common stock on the date of grant and the incentive stock option shall expire no later than five years from the date of grant; and (iii) no incentive stock option will be granted after 10 years from the date the 2004 Plan was adopted.

**Grants to Non-Employee Directors**. Under the 2004 Plan, non-employee directors are eligible to receive non-qualified stock options.

Stock Options. Beginning with the Company s 2004 annual meeting of stockholders, each non-employee director is eligible to receive (i) a grant of a non-qualified option to purchase up to a maximum of 15,000 shares of common stock at each annual meeting at which he or she continues as a non-employee director, and (ii) a grant of a non-qualified option to purchase up to a maximum of 25,000 shares of common stock at the time he or she first becomes a non-employee director. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an individual who is first appointed a non-employee director on or after January 1, 2004 and prior to the Company s 2004 annual meeting of stockholders will receive only the initial stock option grant described in (ii) above.

The Board has the discretion to determine the number of shares subject to a stock option granted to each non-employee director and to establish the terms and conditions of such stock option, provided that (i) unless otherwise set forth in the stock option agreement, each stock option will vest 100% on the first anniversary of the date of grant, and the Board cannot provide that a stock option will vest more rapidly (except in the case of the non-employee director s termination of service on the Board, in which case the Board has the discretion to accelerate the vesting date), (ii) the exercise price shall be the fair market value of the common stock on the date of

grant, and (iii) each stock option shall expire ten years after the date of grant.

Payment of Stock Options and Withholding Taxes. The Board may make one or more of the following payment methods available for payment of any stock option grant, including the exercise price of a stock option: cash; cash received from a broker-dealer to whom the holder has submitted an exercise notice together with irrevocable instructions to deliver promptly to the Company the amount of sales proceeds from the sale of the shares subject to the grant to pay the exercise price; delivery of previously acquired shares of common stock that are acceptable to the Board and that have an aggregate fair market value on the date of exercise equal to the exercise price; or certification of ownership by attestation of such previously acquired shares. In the event any withholding tax is required to be withheld in connection with a grant, the Board may permit the holder of the grant to satisfy the minimum required tax obligation by using one or more of the payment alternatives described above, and/or by directing the Company to withhold shares of common stock otherwise issuable in connection with the grant having a fair market value equal to the amount required to be withheld.

Provisions Relating to a Change in Control of the Company. Notwithstanding any other provision of the 2004 Plan, in the event of a Change in Control of the Company, all outstanding grants will become fully exercisable, all restrictions applicable to all grants will terminate or lapse. In addition, upon such Change in Control, the Board has sole discretion to provide for the purchase of any outstanding stock option for cash equal to the difference between the exercise price and the then fair market value of the common stock subject to the option had the option been currently exercisable, make such adjustment to any grant then outstanding as the Board deems appropriate to reflect such Change in Control and cause any such grant then outstanding to be assumed by the acquiring or surviving corporation after such Change in Control.

Amendment of Stock Option Agreements; Amendment and Termination of the 2004 Plan. The Board may amend any stock option agreement at any time, provided that no amendment shall adversely affect the right of any participant under any agreement in any material way without the written consent of the participant, unless such amendment is required by applicable law, regulation or stock exchange rule.

The Board may terminate, suspend or amend the 2004 Plan, in whole or in part, from time to time, without the approval of the stockholders, unless such approval is required by applicable law, regulation or stock exchange rule and provided that no amendment shall adversely affect the right of any participant under any outstanding grant in any material way without the written consent of the participant, unless such amendment is required by applicable law, regulation or rule of any stock exchange on which the shares of the Company s common stock are listed, or result in the repricing of stock options.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, there shall be no amendment to the 2004 Plan or any stock option agreement that results in the repricing of stock options.

Stock Options Granted under the 2004 Plan. Except as described below, it is not possible at this time to determine the

awards that will be made in 2006 and future years under the 2004 Plan. Information relating to option grants made in 2005 to the executive officers named in the Summary Compensation Table is set forth under the Option Grants in Last Fiscal Year table.

#### **Summary of Federal Income Tax Consequences**

The following is a summary of the federal income tax consequences of the 2004 Plan. It is based on the federal tax laws and regulations currently in effect and existing administrative rulings of the Internal Revenue Service. Participants should consult with their individual tax advisers to determine the tax consequences associated with stock options granted under the 2004 Plan. This information may not be applicable to employees of foreign subsidiaries or to employees who are not residents of the United States.

Non-Qualified Stock Options. In connection with any grant, and as a condition to the issuance or delivery of any shares of Common Stock to the Participant in connection therewith, the Company may require the Participant to pay the Company an amount equal to the minimum amount of the tax the Company or any Subsidiary or Affiliated Company may be required to withhold to obtain a deduction for federal, state or local income tax purposes as a result of such grant or to comply with applicable law.

**Incentive Stock Options.** A participant will not recognize any income at the time the participant is granted an incentive stock option. If the participant is issued shares pursuant to the exercise of an incentive stock option, and if the participant does not make a disqualifying disposition of the shares within one year after the date of exercise or within two years after the date of grant, the

participant will not recognize any income, for federal income tax purposes, at the time of the exercise. When the participant sells the shares issued pursuant to the incentive stock option, the participant will be taxed, for federal income tax purposes, as a long-term capital gain on any amount recognized by the participant in excess of the exercise price, and any loss sustained by the participant will be a long-term capital loss. No deduction will be allowed to the Company for federal income tax purposes. If, however, the participant sells the shares before the expiration of the holding periods, the participant will recognize ordinary income on the difference between the exercise price and the fair market value at exercise, and the Company generally will receive a tax deduction in the same amount. Upon exercise of an incentive stock option, the excess of the fair market value over the exercise price is an item of tax preference to the participant for purposes of determining the alternative minimum tax.

In order to qualify as an incentive stock option, the option must be exercised within three months after the participant s termination of employment for any reason other than death or disability and within one year after termination of the participant s employment due to disability. If the option is not exercised within this time period, it will be treated as a non-qualified stock option and taxed accordingly.

Proposal 2.

APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

The Audit Committee of the Board of Directors has appointed PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as independent registered public accountants to examine the financial statements of the Company for the fiscal year 2006. The Board of Directors has directed that such appointment be submitted for ratification by the shareholders at the Meeting. If shareholders should fail to ratify the appointment of the independent accountants, the Audit Committee would reconsider the appointment.

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP has served as the independent accountants for the Company since 1992. A representative of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP is expected to be present at the Meeting and will have the opportunity to make statements if he or she desires to do so and will be available to respond to appropriate questions.

**Principal Accountant Fees** 

The following table sets forth the fees billed to us by PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP, our independent auditor, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004:

	For the Year Ended December 31,				
	2005		2004		
Audit fees	\$ 151,000	\$	151,000		
Tax fees	49,000		40,000		
	\$ 200,000	\$	191,000		

The audit fees billed by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP were an aggregate of \$151,000 and \$151,000 for professional services rendered for the audit of the Company s annual financial statements for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004 respectively and for the reviews of the financial statements included in the Company s Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for those fiscal years.

Tax fees billed by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP were related to tax compliance; filing tax returns and tax advice on state tax requirements.

The Board of Directors unanimously recommends that shareholders vote <u>FOR</u> ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP. Ratification requires the affirmative vote of a majority of shares of common stock present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote at the meeting.

#### Compliance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 requires the Company s officers and directors, and persons who own more than ten percent of the Company s common stock, to file reports of ownership and changes in ownership with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC). Such persons are required by SEC regulations to furnish the Company with copies of all Section 16(a) forms they file.

Based solely on review of the copies of such forms furnished to the Company, or written representation that no other reports were required, the Company believes that during 2005 all Section 16(a) filing requirements applicable to its officers and directors were in compliance with the exception that Danny Montgomery did not timely file a Form 4 due to technical difficulties beyond his control.

ANNUAL REPORT

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A COPY OF THE COMPANY S ANNUAL REPORT ON FORM 10-K FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005, AS FILED WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION, WILL BE MAILED WITHOUT CHARGE TO SHAREHOLDERS UPON REQUEST. REQUESTS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE COMPANY AT 60 CENTURIAN DRIVE, SUITE 112, MARKHAM, ONTARIO L3R 9R2, CANADA, ATTENTION: SHELDON HOFFMAN, CEO. THE FORM 10-K INCLUDES CERTAIN EXHIBITS WHICH WILL BE PROVIDED ONLY UPON PAYMENT OF A FEE COVERING THE COMPANY S REASONABLE EXPENSES.

**FUTURE PROPOSALS** 

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The 2007 Annual Meeting is expected to be held on Tuesday, June 12, 2007. If any shareholder wishes to submit a proposal for inclusion in the Proxy Statement for the Company s 2007 Annual Meeting, the rules of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission require that such proposal be received at the Company s principal executive office by February 13, 2007.

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Management knows of no other matters to come before the meeting other than those referred to in the Notice of Meeting. However, should any other matters properly come before the meeting; the shares represented by the proxy solicited hereby will be voted on such matters in accordance with the best judgment of the persons voting the shares represented by the proxy.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

AL MILLAR

President

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#### ALPHA PRO TECH, LTD

#### THIS PROXY IS SOLICITED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The undersigned hereby appoints Al Millar, Sheldon Hoffman and Robert H.Isaly, and each of them individually with the power of substitution, as Proxy or Proxies of the undersigned, to attend and act for and on behalf of the undersigned at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders of the Company to be held at the Treasure Island Hotel, 3300 Las Vegas Boulevard South, Las Vegas, Nevada on Monday, June 12, 2006, at 9:30 o clock A.M. (local time) and at any adjournment thereof, hereby revoking any prior Proxy or Proxies. This Proxy when properly executed will be voted as directed herein by the undersigned. If no direction is made, shares will be voted FOR the election of directors named in the proxy and FOR Proposal 2. (Continued, and to be dated and signed on the other side) Please mark your votes as in this example. To elect as directors all the persons named below: 1. Al Millar Robert H. Isaly Sheldon Hoffman John Ritota Donald E. Bennett, Jr. Russell Mannock David B. Anderson For: 0 Withhold vote: O For, except vote withheld from the following nominee(s) Ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP, as Independent Registered Public Accountants of the Company For: 0 Abstain: 0 Against: 0

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

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come before the meeting.

Date, sign and return the Proxy Card promptly using the enclosed envelope							
Signature(s)	/ Date	1					