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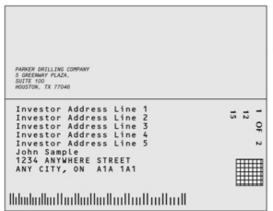
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Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Shareholder Meeting to Be Held on May 08, 2013

PARKER DRILLING COMPANY



Meeting Information

Meeting Type: Annual Meeting For holders as of: March 15, 2013

Date: May 08, 2013 Time: 9:00 AM CDT
Location: Renaissance Houston Hotel
6 Greenway Plaza East
Houston, TX 77046

You are receiving this communication because you hold shares in the above named company.

This is not a ballot. You cannot use this notice to vote these shares. This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet. You may view the proxy materials online at www.proxyvote.com or easily request a paper copy (see reverse side).

We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting.

See the reverse side of this notice to obtain proxy materials and voting instructions.

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Before You Vote

How to Access the Proxy Materials

Proxy Materials Available to VIEW or RECEIVE:

1. Notice & Proxy Statement 2. Annual Report 3. and Form 10-K

How to View Online:

Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow → XXXX XXXX (located on the following page) and visit: www.proxyvote.com.

How to Request and Receive a PAPER or E-MAIL Copy:
If you want to receive a paper or e-mail copy of these documents, you must request one. There is NO charge for requesting a copy. Please choose one of the following methods to make your request:

I) BY INTERNET: www.proxyvote.com 2) BY TELEPHONE: 1-800-579-1639

3) BY E-MAIL*: sendmaterial@proxyvote.com

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Requests, instructions and other inquiries sent to this e-mail address will NOT be forwarded to your investment advisor. Please make the request as instructed above on or before April 24, 2013 to facilitate timely delivery.

— How To Vote -

Please Choose One of the Following Voting Methods

Vote In Person: Many shareholder meetings have attendance requirements including, but not limited to, the possession of an attendance ticket issued by the entity holding the meeting. Please check the meeting materials for any special requirements for meeting attendance. At the meeting, you will need to request a ballot to vote these shares.

Vote By Internet: To vote now by Internet, go to www.proxyvote.com. Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow $\rightarrow \boxed{xxxxxxxxxxxxxx}$ available and follow the instructions.

Vote By Mail: You can vote by mail by requesting a paper copy of the materials, which will include a proxy card.

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Voting items
The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following:

- 03 Gary R. King

The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR proposals 2, 3 and 4.

- 2. Approve the Parker Drilling Company 2010 Long-Term Incentive Plan as Amended and Restated.
- 3. To approve, by non-binding vote, executive compensation.
- 4. Ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP as independent registered public accounting firm for 2013.

NOTE: IN THEIR DISCRETION, the Proxies are authorized to vote in their best judgment upon such other business as may properly come before the meeting.



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