SUPERIOR INDUSTRIES INTERNATIONAL INC Form 4 August 19, 2014 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Bakaric Michael N Issuer Symbol SUPERIOR INDUSTRIES (Check all applicable) **INTERNATIONAL INC [SUP]** (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X\_Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 7800 WOODLEY AVE 08/15/2014 VP Midwest Operations (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting VAN NUYS, CA 91406 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) any Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common Stock 08/15/2014(1) 2.500 \$0 6.763 D A Α (Restricted Stock)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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 Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

 (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secu Bene Owno Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

# **Reporting Owners**

<b>Reporting Owner Name / Address</b>	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Bakaric Michael N 7800 WOODLEY AVE VAN NUYS, CA 91406			VP Midwest Operations				
Signatures							
/s/ Paula Winner Barnett as Attorney-in-Fact		08	8/19/2014				
**Signature of Reporting Person			Date				

# **Explanation of Responses:**

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) This award vests 33% on 8-15-2015, 34% on 8-15-2016 and 33% on 8-15-2017.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number. corporation, partnership or trust organized under the laws of a state of the United States or the District of Columbia or under federal law and it must agree to be legally responsible for the New Notes. The merger, sale of assets or other transaction must not cause a default on the New Notes, and we must not already be in default (unless the merger or other transaction would cure the default). For purposes of this no-default test, a default would include an Event of Default (as defined below) that has occurred and not been cured. A default for this purpose would also include any event that would be an Event of Default if the requirements for giving us default notice or our default having to exist for a specific period of time were disregarded.

If the conditions described above are satisfied with respect to the New Notes, we will not need to obtain the approval of the holders of the New Notes in order to merge or consolidate or to sell our assets. Also, these conditions will apply only if we wish to merge or consolidate with another entity or sell substantially all of our assets to another entity. We will not need to satisfy these conditions if we enter into other types of transactions, including any transaction in which

we acquire the stock or assets of another entity, any transaction that involves a change of control but in which we do not merge or consolidate and any transaction in which we sell less than substantially all of our assets. It is possible that this type of transaction may result in a reduction in our credit rating, may reduce our operating results or may impair our financial condition. Holders of the New Notes, however, will have no approval right with respect to any transaction of this type.

## Modification and Waiver of the New Notes

There are three types of changes we can make to the Indenture and the New Notes.

## **Changes Requiring Approval of All Holders**

First, there are changes that cannot be made to the Indenture or the New Notes without specific approval of each holder of a New Note affected in any material respect by the change. Affected New Notes may be all or less than all of the New Notes. Following is a list of those types of changes:

change the stated maturity of the principal or interest on any New Note;

reduce any amounts due on any New Note;

reduce the amount of principal payable upon acceleration of the maturity of any New Note following a default;

change the place or currency of payment on any New Note;

impair a holder s right to sue for payment;

reduce the percentage of holders of New Notes whose consent is needed to modify or amend the Indenture;

reduce the percentage of holders of New Notes whose consent is needed to waive compliance with certain provisions of the Indenture or to waive certain defaults; or

modify any other aspect of the provisions dealing with modification and waiver of the Indenture.

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## Changes Requiring a Majority Vote

The second type of change to the Indenture and the New Notes is the kind that requires a vote in favor by holders of New Notes owning not less than a majority of the principal amount of the New Notes or, if so provided and to the extent permitted by the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended (the *Trust Indenture Act*), of particular New Notes affected thereby. Most changes fall into this category, except for clarifying changes and certain other changes that would not adversely affect in any material respect holders of the New Notes. We may also obtain a waiver of a past default from the holders of New Notes owning a majority of the principal amount of the New Notes. However, we cannot obtain a waiver of a payment default or any other aspect of the Indenture or the New Notes listed in the first category described above under Changes Requiring Approval of All Holders unless we obtain the individual consent of each holder to the waiver.

## **Changes Not Requiring Approval**

The third type of change to the Indenture and the New Notes does not require any vote by holders of the New Notes. This type is limited to clarifications and certain other changes that would not adversely affect in any material respect holders of the New Notes.

We may also make changes or obtain waivers that do not adversely affect in any material respect a particular New Note, even if they affect other New Notes. In those cases, we do not need to obtain the approval of the holder of that New Note; we need only obtain any required approvals from the holders of the affected New Notes.

## **Details Concerning Voting**

The New Notes will not be considered outstanding, and therefore will not be eligible to vote, if we have given a notice of redemption and deposited or set aside in trust for you money for their payment or redemption. The New Notes will also not be eligible to vote if they have been fully defeased as described below under Defeasance Full Defeasance.

We will generally be entitled to set any day as a record date for the purpose of determining the holders of outstanding New Notes that are entitled to vote or take other action under the Indenture. In certain limited circumstances, the Trustee will be entitled to set a record date for action by holders of the New Notes. If we or the Trustee set a record date for a vote or other action to be taken by holders of the New Notes, that vote or action may be taken only by persons who are holders of outstanding New Notes on the record date. We or the Trustee, as applicable, may shorten or lengthen the period during which holders may take action.

## Defeasance

## Full Defeasance

If there is a change in U.S. federal tax law, as described below, we can legally release ourselves from any payment or other obligations on the New Notes, called full defeasance, if we put in place the following arrangements for holders of the New Notes to be repaid:

We must deposit in trust for the benefit of all holders of the New Notes a combination of money and notes or bonds of the U.S. government or a U.S. government agency or U.S. government-sponsored entity (the obligations of which are backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government) that will generate enough cash to make interest, principal and any other payments on the New Notes on their due dates.

There must be a change in current U.S. federal tax law or an IRS ruling that lets us make the above deposit without causing the holders of the New Notes to be taxed on those New Notes any differently than if we did not make the deposit and just paid the interest, principal and any premium on the New Notes on their scheduled payment dates ourselves. Under current federal tax law, the deposit and our legal release from the obligations pursuant to the New Notes would be treated as though we took back those New Notes and gave you your share of the cash and notes or bonds deposited in trust. In that event, you could recognize gain or loss on the New Notes you give back to us.

We must deliver to the Trustee a legal opinion of our counsel confirming the tax law change described above.

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If we ever did accomplish full defeasance, as described above, you would have to rely solely on the trust deposit for repayment on the New Notes. You could not look to us for repayment in the unlikely event of any shortfall.

## **Covenant Defeasance**

Under current U.S. federal tax law, we can make the same type of deposit as described above and we will be released from the restrictive covenants under the New Notes. This is called covenant defeasance. In that event, you would lose the protection of these restrictive covenants but would gain the protection of having money and U.S. government or U.S. government agency notes or bonds set aside in trust to repay the New Notes. In order to achieve covenant defeasance, we must do the following:

deposit in trust for the benefit of all holders of the New Notes a combination of money and notes or bonds of the U.S. government or a U.S. government agency or U.S. government-sponsored entity (the obligations of which are backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government) that will generate enough cash to make interest, principal and any other payments on the New Notes on their various due dates.

deliver to the Trustee a legal opinion of our counsel confirming that under current U.S. federal income tax law we may make the above deposit without causing the holders to be taxed on the New Notes any differently than if we did not make the deposit and just paid the interest, principal and any premium on the New Notes on their scheduled payment dates ourselves.

If we accomplish covenant defeasance in respect of the New Notes, the events of default relating to breach of covenants and acceleration of maturity, described below under Events of Default What Is an Event of Default? would no longer apply to the New Notes. Also, if we accomplish covenant defeasance in respect of the New Notes, you can still look to us for repayment of the New Notes if there were a shortfall in the trust deposit. In fact, if one of the remaining events of default occurred (such as a bankruptcy) and the New Notes become immediately due and payable, there may be such a shortfall.

## **Events of Default**

You will have special rights if an Event of Default (as defined below) occurs and is not cured, as described later in this subsection.

## What Is an Event of Default?

The term Event of Default means, in respect of the New Notes, any of the following:

We do not pay the principal or any premium on any New Note within 5 days of its due date.

We do not pay interest on any New Note within 30 days of its due date.

We remain in breach of any covenant or warranty of the Indenture for 60 days after we receive a notice of default stating we are in breach. The notice must be sent by either the Trustee or holders of 25% of the principal amount of the New Notes.

We file for bankruptcy or certain other events of bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization occur with respect to us.

## Remedies if an Event of Default Occurs

If an Event of Default occurs, the Trustee will have special duties. In that situation, the Trustee will be obligated to use those of its rights and powers under the Indenture, and to use the same degree of care and skill in doing so, that a prudent person would use in that situation in conducting his or her own affairs. If an Event of Default has occurred and has not been cured with respect to the New Notes, the Trustee or the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of New Notes may declare the entire principal amount of all the New Notes to be due and immediately payable. This is called a declaration of acceleration of maturity. However, a declaration of acceleration of maturity may be cancelled, but only before a judgment or decree based on the acceleration has been obtained, by

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the holders of at least a majority in principal amount of the New Notes, provided that all other defaults have been cured and all payment obligations have been made current.

Except in cases of default, where the Trustee has the special duties described above, the Trustee is not required to take any action under the Indenture at the request of any holders unless such holders offer to the Trustee security or indemnity reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee against the costs, expenses and liabilities which might be incurred by it in compliance with such request. If security or indemnity reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee is provided, the holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding New Notes may direct the time, method and place of conducting any lawsuit or other formal legal action seeking any remedy available to the Trustee with respect to the New Notes.

Before you bypass the Trustee and bring your own lawsuit or other formal legal action or take other steps to enforce your rights or protect your interests relating to the New Notes the following must occur:

the registered holder of your New Note must give the Trustee written notice that an Event of Default has occurred and remains uncured;

the holders of 25% in principal amount of all outstanding New Notes must make a written request that the Trustee take action because of the default, and must offer reasonable indemnity to the Trustee against the costs, expenses and liabilities of taking that action; and

the Trustee must have not taken action for 60 days after receipt of the above notice and offer of indemnity.

However, you are entitled at any time to bring a lawsuit for the payment of money due on your New Note on or after its due date.

We will give to the Trustee every year a written statement of certain of our officers certifying that to their knowledge we are in compliance with the Indenture and the New Notes, or else specifying any default.

# **Exchange and Transfer**

Holders may have New Notes broken into more New Notes of smaller denominations of not less than \$100,000 or combined into fewer New Notes of larger denominations, as long as the total principal amount is not changed. This is called an exchange.

Subject to the restrictions relating to New Notes represented by global securities, holders may exchange or transfer New Notes at the office or agency of AIG in any place where the principal of and any premium or interest on this New Note are payable. They may also replace lost, stolen or mutilated New Notes at the office of Trustee.

The Trustee acts as our agent for registering New Notes in the names of holders and transferring New Notes. We may change this appointment to another entity or perform it ourselves. The entity performing the role of maintaining the list of registered holders is called the security registrar. It will also perform transfers. The Trustee s agent may require an indemnity before replacing any New Notes.

Holders will not be required to pay a service charge to transfer or exchange New Notes, but holders may be required to pay for any tax or other governmental charge associated with the exchange or transfer. The transfer or exchange will only be made if the security registrar is satisfied with your proof of ownership.

In the event of any redemption, neither we nor the Trustee will be required to:

issue, register the transfer of or exchange New Notes during the period beginning at the opening of business 15 days before the day of the mailing of a notice of redemption of New Notes and ending at the close of business on the day of such mailing; or

transfer or exchange any New Notes so selected for redemption in whole or in part, except, in the case of any New Notes being redeemed in part, any portion thereof not being redeemed.

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## Notices

We and the Trustee will send notices regarding the New Notes only to holders, using their addresses as listed in the Trustee s records.

## **Governing Law**

The Indenture and the New Notes will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York.

## Our Relationship with the Trustee

The Bank of New York Mellon is one of our lenders and from time to time provides other banking services to us and our subsidiaries.

The Bank of New York Mellon serves or will serve as the trustee for certain of our senior debt securities and our subordinated debt securities and any warrants that we may issue under our warrant indenture, as well as the trustee under any amended and restated trust agreement and capital securities subordinated guarantee that we may enter into in connection with the issuance of capital securities. Consequently, if an actual or potential event of default occurs with respect to any of these securities, trust agreements or subordinated guarantees, the trustee may be considered to have a conflicting interest for purposes of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939. In that case, the trustee may be required to resign under one or more of the indentures, trust agreements or subordinated guarantees and we would be required to appoint a successor trustee. For this purpose, a potential event of default means an event that would be an event of default if the requirements for giving us default notice or for the default having to exist for a specific period of time were disregarded.

# LEGAL OWNERSHIP AND BOOK-ENTRY ISSUANCE

In this section, we describe special considerations that will apply to New Notes for so long as they remain issued in global *i.e.*, book-entry form. First, we describe the difference between legal ownership and indirect ownership of New Notes. Then, we describe special provisions that apply to New Notes.

# Who is the Legal Owner of a Registered Security?

The New Notes will be evidenced by one or more global securities, each registered in the name of a nominee for, and deposited with, DTC, or its nominee. We refer to those who, indirectly through others, own beneficial interests in New Notes that are not registered in their own names as indirect owners of those securities. As we discuss below, indirect owners are not legal holders, and investors in New Notes issued in book-entry form or in street name will be indirect owners.

# **Book-Entry Owners**

Since we will initially issue the New Notes in book-entry form only, they will be represented by one or more global securities registered in the name of a financial institution that holds them as depositary on behalf of other financial institutions that participate in the depositary s book-entry system. These participating institutions, in turn, hold beneficial interests in the New Notes on behalf of themselves or their customers.

Under the Indenture, only the persons in whose name New Notes are registered are recognized as the holders of those New Notes represented thereby. Consequently, for so long as the New Notes are issued in global form, we will recognize only the depositary as the holder of the securities and we will make all payments on the New Notes, including deliveries of any property other than cash, to the depositary. The depositary passes along the payments it receives to its participants, which in turn pass the payments along to their customers who are the beneficial owners. The depositary and its participants do so under agreements they have made with one another or with their customers; they are not obligated to do so under the terms of the New Notes.

As a result, investors will not own securities directly. Instead, they will own beneficial interests in a global security, through a bank, broker or other financial institution that participates in the depositary s book-entry system

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or holds an interest through a participant. As long as the New Notes are issued in global form, investors will be indirect owners, and not holders, of the New Notes.

#### Street Name Owners

If we terminate an existing global security, investors may choose to hold their securities in their own names or in street name. Securities held by an investor in street name would be registered in the name of a bank, broker or other financial institution that the investor chooses, and the investor would hold only a beneficial interest in those securities through an account he or she maintains at that institution.

For New Notes held in street name, we will recognize only the intermediary banks, brokers and other financial institutions in whose names the New Notes are registered as the holders of those securities and we will make all payments on those securities, including deliveries of any property, to them.

These institutions pass along the payments they receive to their customers who are the beneficial owners, but only because they agree to do so in their customer agreements or because they are legally required to do so. Investors who hold New Notes in street name will be indirect owners, not holders, of those New Notes.

## Legal Holders

Our obligations, as well as the obligations of the Trustee under the Indenture and the obligations, if any, of any third parties employed by us or any agents of theirs, run only to the holders of the New Notes. We do not have obligations to investors who hold beneficial interests in global securities, in street name or by any other indirect means. This will be the case whether an investor chooses to be an indirect owner of a New Note or has no choice because we are issuing the New Notes only in global form.

For example, once we make a payment or give a notice to the holder, we have no further responsibility for that payment or notice even if that holder is required, under agreements with depositary participants or customers or by law, to pass it along to the indirect owners but does not do so. Similarly, if we want to obtain the approval of the holders for any purpose for example, to amend the Indenture or to relieve us of the consequences of a default or of our obligation to comply with a particular provision of the Indenture we would seek the approval only from the holders, and not the indirect owners, of the New Notes. Whether and how the holders contact the indirect owners is up to the holders.

When we refer to you in this prospectus, we mean all acquirers of the New Notes being offered by this prospectus, whether they are the holders or only indirect owners of those securities. When we refer to your New Notes in this prospectus, we mean the New Notes in which you will hold a direct or indirect interest.

## Special Considerations for Indirect Owners

If you hold New Notes through a bank, broker or other financial institution, either in book-entry form or in street name, you should check with your own institution to find out:

how it handles New Notes payments and notices;

whether it imposes fees or charges;

how it would handle a request for the holders consent, if ever required;

how it would exercise rights under the New Notes if there were an Event of Default or other event triggering the need for holders to act to protect their interests; and

if the New Notes are in book-entry form, how the depositary s rules and procedures will affect these matters.

## What is a Global Security?

We will issue the New Notes in book-entry form. This means that the New Notes will be represented by one or more global securities deposited on behalf of DTC as depositary for the New Notes, and registered in the name of Cede & Co., as DTC s partnership nominee, or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative

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of DTC. DTC will hold global securities on behalf of other financial institutions that participate in the book-entry system of DTC (the *DTC participants*). These DTC participants, in turn, hold beneficial interests in global securities on behalf of themselves or their customers. Investors will not own global securities issued in global form directly. Instead, they will own beneficial interests in a global security through a bank, broker or other financial institution that is itself a DTC participant or holds an interest through a DTC participant.

An investor will be an indirect holder and must look to its bank or broker for payments on the New Notes and protection of its legal rights relating to the New Notes. DTC has advised us that it will take any action permitted to be taken by a holder of New Notes only at the direction of one or more DTC participants whose accounts are credited with DTC interests in a global security.

The laws of some jurisdictions require that certain persons take physical delivery in definitive form of securities that they own. Consequently, you will not have the ability to transfer beneficial interests in the global securities to these persons.

An investor may not be able to pledge his or her interest in a global security in circumstances where certificates representing the New Notes must be delivered to the lender or other beneficiary of the pledge in order for the pledge to be effective.

The depositary may require that those who purchase and sell interests in a global security within its book entry system use immediately available funds, and your bank, broker or other financial institution may require you to do so as well.

Financial institutions that participate in the depositary s book-entry system and through which an investor holds its interest in the global securities, directly or indirectly, may also have their own policies affecting payments, deliveries, transfers, exchanges, notices and other matters relating to the New Notes, and those policies may change from time to time. For example, if you hold an interest in a global security through Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear system, referred to as Euroclear, and Clearstream Banking, *société anonyme*, Luxembourg, known as Clearstream, Luxembourg, Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg, as applicable, may require those who purchase and sell interests in that security through them to use immediately available funds and comply with other policies and procedures, including deadlines for giving instructions as to transactions that are to be effected on a particular day. There may be more than one financial intermediary in the chain of ownership for an investor. We do not monitor and are not responsible for the policies or actions or records of ownership interests of any of those intermediaries.

The New Notes will be represented by a global security at all times unless and until the global security is terminated. We describe the situations in which this can occur below under Special Situations When a Global Security Will Be Terminated. If termination occurs, the New Notes will no longer be held through any book-entry clearing system.

## Special Situations When a Global Security Will Be Terminated

In a few special situations, a global security will be terminated and interests in it will be exchanged for certificates in non-global form representing the New Notes it represented. The special situations for termination of a global security are as follows:

if the depositary notifies us that it is unwilling, unable or no longer permitted under applicable law to continue as depositary for that global security and we do not appoint another institution to act as depositary within 90 days;

if we notify the Trustee that we wish to terminate that global security; or

if an Event of Default has occurred with regard to the New Notes and has not been cured or waived.

In any such instance, an owner of a beneficial interest in the global security of the New Notes will be entitled to physical delivery in definitive form of the New Notes represented by the global security equal in principal amount to that beneficial interest and to have those New Notes registered in its name. New Notes so issued in definitive form will be issued as registered New Notes in denominations of \$100,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess

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thereof, unless otherwise specified by us. Definitive New Notes can be transferred by presentation for registration to the registrar at its New York offices and must be duly endorsed by the holder or his attorney duly authorized in writing, or accompanied by a written instrument or instruments of transfer in form satisfactory to us or the Trustee duly executed by the holder or his attorney duly authorized in writing. We may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with any exchange or registration of transfer of definitive New Notes.

After that exchange, the choice of whether to hold the New Notes directly or in street name will be up to the investor. Investors must consult their own banks, brokers or other financial institutions to find out how to have their interests in a global security transferred on termination to their own names, so that they will be holders. We have described the rights of holders and street name investors above under Who is the Legal Owner of a Registered Security?

If a global security is terminated, only the depositary, and not us, is responsible for deciding the names of the institutions in whose names the New Notes represented by the global security will be registered and, therefore, who will be the holders of those New Notes.

## **Considerations Relating to DTC**

## DTC has informed us as follows:

DTC is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a banking organization within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a clearing corporation within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code and a clearing agency registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. DTC holds securities that DTC participants deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among DTC participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between DTC participants accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. DTC participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing Corporation (*DTCC*). DTCC is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Indirect access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a DTC participant, either directly or indirectly. The rules applicable to DTC and DTC participants are on file with the SEC.

Acquisitions of New Notes within the DTC system must be made by or through DTC participants, which will receive a credit for the New Notes on DTC s records. The ownership interest of each actual acquirer of New Notes is in turn to be recorded on the direct and indirect participants records, including Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg. Beneficial owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their acquisition, but beneficial owners are expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transactions, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the direct participant or indirect participant through which the beneficial owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the New Notes are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of DTC participants acting on behalf of beneficial owners. Beneficial owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in the New Notes, except in the limited circumstances described in What is a Global Security Special Situations When a Global Security Will Be Terminated in which a global security of the New Note will become exchangeable for New Note certificates registered in the manner described therein.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all New Notes deposited by DTC participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC s partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of

DTC. The deposit of the New Notes with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC will not have knowledge of the actual beneficial owners of the New Notes; DTC s records reflect only the identity of the DTC participants to whose

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accounts such New Notes are credited, which may or may not be the beneficial owners. The DTC participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Redemption notices will be sent to DTC. If less than all of the New Notes are being redeemed, DTC will determine the amount of the interest of each direct participant to be redeemed in accordance with its then current procedures.

In instances in which a vote is required, neither DTC nor Cede & Co. will itself consent or vote with respect to the New Notes unless authorized by a DTC participant in accordance with DTC s money market instruments procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC would mail an omnibus proxy to the Trustee as soon as possible after the record date. The omnibus proxy assigns Cede & Co. s consenting or voting rights to those direct participants to whose accounts such New Notes are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the omnibus proxy).

Principal and interest payments on the New Notes will be made by the Trustee to DTC. DTC s usual practice is to credit direct participants accounts, upon DTC s receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from us or the Trustee (or any registrar or paying agent), on the relevant payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC s records. Payments by DTC participants to beneficial owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in street name, and will be the responsibility of such DTC participants and not of DTC, the Trustee or us, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of principal and interest to DTC is the responsibility of the Trustee, disbursement of those payments to DTC participants will be the responsibility of direct and indirect participants. Neither we nor the Trustee (or any registrar or paying agent) will have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests in the global securities of the New Notes or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to those beneficial ownership interests.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as securities depositary with respect to the New Notes at any time by giving reasonable notice to us.

## **Global Clearance and Settlement Procedures**

As long as DTC is the depositary for the global securities, you may hold an interest in a global security through any organization that participates, directly or indirectly, in the DTC system. Those organizations include Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg. If you are a participant in either of those systems, you may hold your interest directly in that system. If you are not a participant, you may hold your interest indirectly through organizations that are participants in that system. If you hold your interest indirectly, you should note that DTC, Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg will have no record of you or your relationship with the direct participant in their systems.

Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg are securities clearance systems in Europe, and they participate indirectly in DTC. Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg will hold interests in the global securities on behalf of the participants in their systems, through securities accounts they maintain in their own names for their customers on their own books or on the books of their depositaries. Those depositaries, in turn, are participants in DTC and hold those interests in securities accounts they maintain in their own names of DTC. Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear clear and settle securities transactions between their participants through electronic, book-entry delivery of securities against payment.

If you hold an interest in a global security through Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear, that system will credit the payments we make on your New Note to the account of your Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear participant in accordance with that system s rules and procedures. The participant s account will be credited only to the extent that the

system s depositary receives these payments through the DTC system. Payments, notices and other communications or deliveries relating to the New Notes, if made through Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear, must comply not only with the rules and procedures of those systems, but also with the rules and procedures of DTC, except as described below.

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Trading in the New Notes between Clearstream, Luxembourg participants or between Euroclear participants will be governed only by the rules and procedures of that system. We understand that, at present, those systems rules and procedures applicable to trades in conventional eurobonds will apply to trades in the New Notes, with settlement in immediately available funds.

Cross-market transfers of the New Notes meaning transfers between investors who hold or will hold their interests through Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear, on the one hand, and investors who hold or will hold their interests through DTC but not through Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear, on the other hand will be governed by DTC s rules and procedures in addition to those of Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear. If you hold your New Note through Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear and you wish to complete a cross-market transfer, you will need to deliver transfer instructions and payment, if applicable, to Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear, through your participant, and that system in turn will need to deliver them to DTC, through that system s depositary.

Because of time-zone differences between the United States and Europe, any New Notes you purchase through Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear in a cross-market transfer will not be credited to your account at your Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear participant until the business day immediately after the DTC settlement date. For the same reason, if you sell the New Notes through Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear in a cross-market transfer, your cash proceeds will be received by the depositary for that system on the DTC settlement date but will not be credited to your participant s account until the business day following the DTC settlement date. In this context, business day means a business day for Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear.

The description of the clearing and settlement systems in this section reflects our understanding of the rules and procedures of DTC, Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear as currently in effect. Those systems could change their rules and procedures at any time. We have no control over those systems and we take no responsibility for their activities.

## CERTAIN UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

This section describes the material United States federal income tax consequences of exchanging Old Notes for New Notes and owning the New Notes. It applies to you only if you hold Old Notes and New Notes as capital assets for tax purposes and acquire New Notes by exchanging pursuant to the exchange offer the Old Notes that you acquired. For the purposes of this section Certain United States Federal Income Tax Considerations , the New Notes and the Old Notes are hereinafter referred to as the Notes .

Assuming full compliance with the terms of the Note s indenture and other relevant documents, we believe that the Notes will be treated as indebtedness of AIG for United States federal income tax purposes.

This section does not apply to you if you are a member of a class of holders subject to special rules, such as:

a dealer in securities or currencies,

a trader in securities that elects to use a mark-to-market method of accounting for your securities holdings,

a bank,

a life insurance company,

a tax-exempt organization,

a person that owns Notes that are a hedge or that are hedged against interest rate risks,

a person that owns Notes as part of a straddle or conversion transaction for tax purposes, or

a United States holder (as defined below) whose functional currency for tax purposes is not the U.S. dollar.

If you purchase Notes at a price other than the offering price, the amortizable bond premium or market discount rules may also apply to you. You should consult your tax advisor regarding this possibility.

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This section is based on the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, its legislative history, existing and proposed regulations under the Internal Revenue Code, published rulings and court decisions, all as currently in effect. These laws are subject to change, possibly on a retroactive basis.

If a partnership holds the Notes, the United States federal income tax treatment of a partner will generally depend on the status of the partner and the tax treatment of the partnership. A partner in a partnership holding the Notes should consult its tax advisor with regard to the United States federal income tax treatment of an investment in the Notes.

Please consult your own tax advisor concerning the consequences of owning these Notes in your particular circumstances under the Internal Revenue Code and the laws of any other taxing jurisdiction. If you did not acquire the Old Notes upon their original issuance at their original offering price, please consult your own tax advisor with respect to the tax treatment of your Notes, including the special rules applicable to Notes with market discount or acquisition premium.

## **Treatment of the Exchange**

In the opinion of our tax counsel, Sullivan & Cromwell LLP, the exchange of the Old Notes for New Notes should not be a taxable event for United States federal income tax purposes. Your basis and holding period in the New Notes will equal your basis and holding period in the Old Notes exchanged for them.

#### **United States Holders**

This subsection describes the tax consequences to a United States holder. You are a United States holder if you are a beneficial owner of a Note and you are:

a citizen or resident of the United States,

a domestic corporation,

an estate whose income is subject to United States federal income tax regardless of its source, or

a trust if a United States court can exercise primary supervision over the trust s administration and one or more United States persons are authorized to control all substantial decisions of the trust.

If you are not a United States holder, this subsection does not apply to you and you should refer to United States Alien Holders below.

*Payments of Interest.* You will be taxed on interest on your Note as ordinary income at the time you receive the interest or when it accrues, depending on your method of accounting for tax purposes.

*Purchase, Sale and Retirement of the Notes.* Your tax basis in your Note generally will be its cost. You will generally recognize capital gain or loss on the sale or retirement of your Note equal to the difference between the amount you realize on the sale or retirement, excluding any amounts attributable to accrued but unpaid interest, and your tax basis in your Note. Capital gain of a noncorporate United States holder that is recognized before January 1, 2011, is generally taxed at a maximum rate of 15% where the holder has a holding period greater than one year.

## **United States Alien Holders**

This subsection describes the tax consequences to a United States alien holder. You are a United States alien holder if you are a beneficial owner of a Note and you are, for United States federal income tax purposes:

a nonresident alien individual,

a foreign corporation,

a foreign partnership, or

an estate or trust that in either case is not subject to United States federal income tax on a net income basis on income or gain from a Note.

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If you are a United States holder, this subsection does not apply to you.

Under United States federal income and estate tax law, and subject to the discussion of backup withholding below, if you are a United States alien holder of a Note:

we and other U.S. payors generally will not be required to deduct United States withholding tax from payments of principal and interest to you if, in the case of payments of interest:

- 1. you do not actually or constructively own 10% or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock of AIG entitled to vote,
- 2. you are not a controlled foreign corporation that is related to AIG through stock ownership, and
- 3. the U.S. payor does not have actual knowledge or reason to know that you are a United States person and:
  - a. you have furnished to the U.S. payor an Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN or an acceptable substitute form upon which you certify, under penalties of perjury, that you are (or, in the case of a United States alien holder that is a partnership or an estate or trust, such forms certifying that each partner in the partnership or beneficiary of the estate or trust is) a non-United States person,
  - b. in the case of payments made outside the United States to you at an offshore account (generally, an account maintained by you at a bank or other financial institution at any location outside the United States), you have furnished to the U.S. payor documentation that establishes your identity and your status as the beneficial owner of the payment for United States federal income tax purposes and as a non-United States person,
  - c. the U.S. payor has received a withholding certificate (furnished on an appropriate Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 or an acceptable substitute form) from a person claiming to be:
    - i. a withholding foreign partnership (generally a foreign partnership that has entered into an agreement with the Internal Revenue Service to assume primary withholding responsibility with respect to distributions and guaranteed payments it makes to its partners),
    - ii. a qualified intermediary (generally a non-United States financial institution or clearing organization or a non-United States branch or office of a United States financial institution or clearing organization that is a party to a withholding agreement with the Internal Revenue Service), or
    - iii. a U.S. branch of a non-United States bank or of a non-United States insurance company,

and the withholding foreign partnership, qualified intermediary or U.S. branch has received documentation upon which it may rely to treat the payment as made to a non-United States person that is, for United States federal income tax purposes, the beneficial owner of the payment on the Notes in accordance with U.S. Treasury regulations (or, in the case of a qualified intermediary, in accordance with its agreement with the Internal Revenue Service),

d. the U.S. payor receives a statement from a securities clearing organization, bank or other financial institution that holds customers securities in the ordinary course of its trade or business,

- i. certifying to the U.S. payor under penalties of perjury that an Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN or an acceptable substitute form has been received from you by it or by a similar financial institution between it and you, and
- ii. to which is attached a copy of the Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN or acceptable substitute form, or
- e. the U.S. payor otherwise possesses documentation upon which it may rely to treat the payment as made to a non-United States person that is, for United States federal income tax purposes, the beneficial owner of the payment on the Notes in accordance with U.S. Treasury regulations; and

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no deduction for any United States federal withholding tax will be made from any gain that you realize on the sale or exchange of your Note.

Further, a Note held by an individual who at death is not a citizen or resident of the United States will not be includible in the individual s gross estate for United States federal estate tax purposes if:

the decedent did not actually or constructively own 10% or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock of AIG entitled to vote at the time of death, and

the income on the Note would not have been effectively connected with a United States trade or business of the decedent at the same time.

#### **Backup Withholding and Information Reporting**

In general, if you are a noncorporate United States holder, we and other payors are required to report to the Internal Revenue Service all payments of principal and interest on your Note. In addition, we and other payors are required to report to the Internal Revenue Service any payment of proceeds of the sale of your Note before maturity within the United States. Additionally, backup withholding will apply to any payments if you fail to provide an accurate taxpayer identification number, or you are notified by the Internal Revenue Service that you have failed to report all interest and dividends required to be shown on your federal income tax returns.

In general, if you are a United States alien holder, payments of principal or interest made by us and other payors to you will not be subject to backup withholding and information reporting, provided that the certification requirements described above under United States Alien Holders are satisfied or you otherwise establish an exemption. However, we and other payors are required to report payments of interest on your Notes on Internal Revenue Service Form 1042-S even if the payments are not otherwise subject to information reporting requirements.

In addition, payment of the proceeds from the sale of Notes effected at a United States office of a broker will not be subject to backup withholding and information reporting, provided that:

the broker does not have actual knowledge or reason to know that you are a United States person and you have furnished to the broker:

an appropriate Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 or an acceptable substitute form upon which you certify, under penalties of perjury, that you are not a United States person, or

other documentation upon which it may rely to treat the payment as made to a non-United States person in accordance with U.S. Treasury regulations, or

you otherwise establish an exemption.

If you fail to establish an exemption and the broker does not possess adequate documentation of your status as a non-United States person, the payments may be subject to information reporting and backup withholding. However, backup withholding will not apply with respect to payments made to an offshore account maintained by you unless the broker has actual knowledge that you are a United States person.

In general, payment of the proceeds from the sale of Notes effected at a foreign office of a broker will not be subject to information reporting or backup withholding. However, a sale effected at a foreign office of a broker will be subject

to information reporting and backup withholding if:

the proceeds are transferred to an account maintained by you in the United States,

the payment of proceeds or the confirmation of the sale is mailed to you at a United States address, or

the sale has some other specified connection with the United States as provided in U.S. Treasury regulations,

unless the broker does not have actual knowledge or reason to know that you are a United States person and the documentation requirements described above (relating to a sale of Notes effected at a United States office of a broker) are met or you otherwise establish an exemption.

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In addition, payment of the proceeds from the sale of Notes effected at a foreign office of a broker will be subject to information reporting if the broker is:

a United States person,

a controlled foreign corporation for United States tax purposes,

a foreign person 50% or more of whose gross income is effectively connected with the conduct of a United States trade or business for a specified three-year period, or

a foreign partnership, if at any time during its tax year:

one or more of its partners are U.S. persons, as defined in U.S. Treasury regulations, who in the aggregate hold more than 50% of the income or capital interest in the partnership, or

such foreign partnership is engaged in the conduct of a United States trade or business,

unless the broker does not have actual knowledge or reason to know that you are a United States person and the documentation requirements described above (relating to a sale of Notes effected at a United States office of a broker) are met or you otherwise establish an exemption. Backup withholding will apply if the sale is subject to information reporting and the broker has actual knowledge that you are a United States person.

You generally may obtain a refund of any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules that exceed your income tax liability by filing a refund claim with the United States Internal Revenue Service.

THE UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAX DISCUSSION SET FORTH ABOVE IS INCLUDED FOR GENERAL INFORMATION ONLY AND MAY NOT BE APPLICABLE DEPENDING UPON A HOLDER S PARTICULAR SITUATION. HOLDERS SHOULD CONSULT THEIR TAX ADVISORS REGARDING THE TAX CONSEQUENCES TO THEM OF THE EXCHANGE OF THE OLD NOTES FOR NEW NOTES AND, OWNERSHIP AND DISPOSITION OF THE NOTES, INCLUDING THE TAX CONSEQUENCES UNDER STATE, LOCAL, FOREIGN AND OTHER TAX LAWS.

## **BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR CONSIDERATIONS**

A fiduciary of a pension, profit-sharing or other employee benefit plan (a *plan*) subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (*ERISA*), should consider the fiduciary standards of ERISA in the context of the plan s particular circumstances before authorizing an investment in the New Notes. Accordingly, among other factors, the fiduciary should consider whether the investment would satisfy the prudence and diversification requirements of ERISA and would be consistent with the documents and instruments governing the plan.

ERISA and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the *Code*), prohibit plans, as well as individual retirement accounts, Keogh plans and other plans subject to Section 4975 of the Code and certain entities whose underlying assets include plan assets within the meaning of ERISA by reason of the investment by such plans or accounts therein (also *plans*), from engaging in certain transactions involving plan assets with persons who are parties in interest under ERISA or disqualified persons under the Code (together, *parties in interest*) with respect to the plan. A violation of these prohibited transaction rules may result in civil penalties or other liabilities under ERISA and/or an excise tax under the Code for those persons, unless exemptive relief is available under an applicable statutory, regulatory or administrative exemption. Certain governmental plans, church plans and non-U.S. plans (*non-ERISA arrangements*) are not subject to the requirements of ERISA or the Code but may be subject to similar provisions

under applicable federal, state, local, or non-U.S. laws ( *similar laws* ).

AIG and certain of its affiliates may each be considered a party in interest with respect to many plans. The acquisition of New Notes by a plan with respect to which we or an affiliate is or becomes a party in interest may constitute or result in a prohibited transaction under ERISA or the Code, unless those New Notes are acquired pursuant to an applicable exemption. The U.S. Department of Labor has issued five prohibited transaction class exemptions, or

PTCEs, that may provide exemptive relief if required for direct or indirect prohibited transactions that may arise from the acquisition or holding of a New Note offered hereunder. These exemptions are PTCE 84-14

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(for certain transactions determined or effected by a qualified professional asset manager), 90-1 (for certain transactions involving insurance company pooled separate accounts), 91-38 (for certain transactions involving bank collective investment funds), 95-60 (for transactions involving insurance company general accounts) and 96-23 (for transactions determined or effected by an in-house asset manager). In addition, ERISA Section 408(b)(17) and Code Section 4975(d)(20) provide an exemption for the acquisition and sale of securities, provided that neither the issuer of the securities nor any of its affiliates have or exercise any discretionary authority or control or render any investment advice with respect to the assets of any plan involved in the transaction, and provided further that the plan pays no more and receives no less than adequate consideration in connection with the transaction (the service provider exemption ).

Any acquiror or holder of a New Note offered hereunder or any interest therein will be deemed to have represented by its acquisition and holding of the New Note that either (1) it is not a plan and is not acquiring the New Note on behalf of or with the assets of a plan or (2) its acquisition and holding of the New Note will not result in any nonexempt prohibited transaction under ERISA or the Code. In addition, any acquiror or holder of a New Note offered hereunder which is a non-ERISA arrangement will be deemed to have represented by its acquisition or holding of the New Note that its acquisition and holding will not violate the provisions of any similar laws.

Due to the complexity of these rules and the penalties that may be imposed upon persons involved in nonexempt prohibited transactions, it is important that fiduciaries or other persons considering the exchange for the New Notes on behalf of or with plan assets of any plan or non-ERISA arrangement consult with their counsel regarding the availability of an exemption, or the potential consequences of any acquisition or holding under similar laws, as applicable. If you are an insurance company or the fiduciary of a pension plan or an employee benefit plan, and propose to invest in the New Notes, you should consult your legal counsel. The acquisition of the New Notes offered hereunder by a plan or non-ERISA arrangement is in no respect a representation by AIG or any of its affiliates that such an acquisition meets all relevant legal requirements with respect to investments by any such plan or arrangement generally or any particular plan or arrangement.

## PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

Each broker-dealer that receives New Notes for its own account in connection with the exchange offer must acknowledge that it will comply with the prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act in connection with any resale of those New Notes. A broker-dealer may use this prospectus, as amended or supplemented from time to time, in connection with resales of New Notes received in exchange for Old Notes where such broker-dealer acquired Old Notes as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities. We have agreed that for a period of 30 days after the expiration date of the exchange offer, we will make available a prospectus, as amended or supplemented, meeting the requirements of the Securities Act to any broker-dealer for use in connection with those resales.

We will not receive any proceeds from any sale of New Notes by broker-dealers. Broker-dealers may sell New Notes received by them for their own account pursuant to the exchange offer from time to time in one or more transactions in the over-the-counter market, in negotiated transactions, through the writing of options on the New Notes or a combination of those methods of resale, at market prices prevailing at the time of resale, at prices related to such prevailing market prices or negotiated prices. Any such resale may be made directly to purchasers or to or through brokers or dealers who may receive compensation in the form of commissions or concessions from any broker-dealer or the purchasers of any New Notes.

Any broker-dealer that resells New Notes that were received by it for its own account pursuant to the exchange offer and any broker or dealer that participates in a distribution of such New Notes may be deemed to be an underwriter

within the meaning of the Securities Act, and any profit on any such resale of New Notes and any commission or concessions received by any such persons may be deemed to be underwriting compensation under the Securities Act. The letter of transmittal states that, by acknowledging that it will comply with the prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act, a broker-dealer will not be deemed to admit that it is an underwriter within the meaning of the Securities Act.

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For a period of 30 days after the expiration date of the exchange offer, we will promptly send additional copies of this prospectus and any amendment or supplement to this prospectus to any broker-dealer that requests these documents in the letter of transmittal. We have agreed to pay all expenses incident to the exchange offer, other than commission or concessions of any broker or dealers.

#### VALIDITY OF THE NEW NOTES

The validity of the New Notes will be passed upon by Sullivan & Cromwell LLP, New York, New York. Partners of Sullivan & Cromwell LLP involved in the representation of AIG beneficially own approximately 11,360 shares of AIG common stock.

#### **EXPERTS**

The consolidated financial statements and the financial statement schedules incorporated into this prospectus by reference to AIG s 2008 Annual Report on Form 10-K have been so incorporated in reliance upon the report of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, given on the authority of said firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

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