

AMYRIS, INC.  
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COMPANY #

AMYRIS, INC.  
ANNUAL MEETING OF  
STOCKHOLDERS  
Thursday, May 24, 2012  
9:00 a.m. Pacific Time  
5885 Hollis Street  
Suite 100  
Emeryville, California

Directions to the Amyris, Inc. Annual Meeting are available in the proxy statement which can be viewed at <http://www.allianceproxy.com/amyris/2012>.

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Stockholder Meeting to be Held on May 24, 2012.

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Amyris, Inc. will be held at 5885 Hollis Street, Suite 100, Emeryville, California on Thursday, May 24, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. Pacific Time.

This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet. We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting.

The Proxy Statement and Annual Report are available at <http://www.allianceproxy.com/amyris/2012>

If you want to receive a paper copy or an e-mail with links to the electronic materials, you must request one. There is no charge to you for requesting a copy. Please make your request for a copy as instructed on the reverse side of this notice on or before May 12, 2012 to facilitate timely delivery.

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Matters intended to be acted upon at the meeting are listed below.

1. To elect the three Class II directors nominated by the company's Board of Directors (the "Board") and named in the Proxy Statement to serve on the Board for a three-year term.
2. To approve a one-time stock option re-pricing program under which employees with eligible stock options (excluding the company's executive officers and members of the Board) would receive a one-time reduction in the exercise price for such options to \$16.00 per share.
3. To re-approve the company's 2010 Equity Incentive Plan for purposes of complying with Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code.
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To ratify the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP (“PwC”) as the company’s independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2012.

5. To act upon such other matters as may properly come before the annual meeting or any adjournments or postponements thereof.

The Board’s vote recommendations are for each of the Board’s director candidates, for the approval of the stock option re-pricing program, for the company’s 2010 Equity Incentive Plan, and for the ratification of PwC as the company’s auditor for 2012.

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[www.eproxy.com/amrs](http://www.eproxy.com/amrs)

Use the Internet to vote your proxy 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, until 12:00 p.m. (CT) on May 23, 2012.

Please have this Notice and the last four digits of your Social Security Number or Tax Identification Number available. Follow the instructions to vote your proxy.

Your Internet vote authorizes the Named Proxies to vote your shares in the same manner as if you marked, signed and returned your proxy card.

To request paper copies of the proxy materials, which include the proxy card, proxy statement and annual report, please contact us via:

Internet – Access the Internet and go to <http://www.allianceproxy.com/amyris/2012> . Follow the instructions to log in, and order copies.

Telephone – Call us free of charge at 866-697-9377 in the U.S. or Canada, using a touch-tone phone, and follow the instructions to log in and order copies.

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