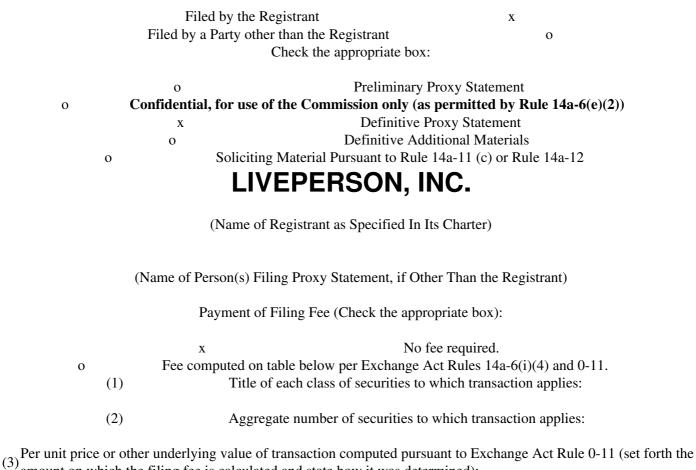
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# INFORMATION REQUIRED IN PROXY STATEMENT SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION

# Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934



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#### April 29, 2011

Dear LivePerson Stockholders:

On behalf of the Board of Directors of LivePerson, Inc., I cordially invite you to attend our Annual Meeting of Stockholders, which will be held on June 16, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. (Eastern Daylight time) at the Marriott Residence Inn (Times Square), Bryant Park Meeting Room, 1033 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10018, Tel (212) 768-0007.

The purposes of this meeting are:

the election of two directors;

the ratification of the Audit Committee s appointment of BDO USA, LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm;

an advisory vote on executive compensation;

an advisory vote on the frequency of the advisory vote on executive compensation; and to act upon such other business as may properly come before the Annual Meeting. You will find attached a Notice of Annual Meeting of Stockholders and a Proxy Statement that contain more information about the matters to be considered at the Annual Meeting. Please give all of this information your careful attention. The Board of Directors recommends a vote **FOR** the director nominees pursuant to Item 1 in the Notice, a vote **FOR** the proposals listed as Item 2 and Item 3, and a vote for **ONE YEAR** on Item 4 in the Notice.

You will also find enclosed a Proxy Card appointing proxies to vote your shares at the Annual Meeting. If you do not plan to attend the Annual Meeting in person, please sign, date and return your Proxy Card as soon as possible so that your shares can be represented and voted in accordance with your instructions. If you decide to attend the Annual Meeting and wish to change your proxy vote, you may do so automatically by voting in person at the Annual Meeting.

The Proxy Statement and the enclosed Proxy Card are first being mailed on or about May 2, 2011 to stockholders entitled to vote. Our 2010 Annual Report to Stockholders is being mailed with the Proxy Statement.

We look forward to seeing you at the Annual Meeting.

Sincerely,

Robert P. LoCascio Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer

# LIVEPERSON, INC.

# 462 Seventh Avenue, 3rd Floor New York, New York 10018

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS TO BE HELD AT 10:00 A.M. ON JUNE 16, 2011

TO THE STOCKHOLDERS OF LIVEPERSON, INC.:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the Annual Meeting ) of LivePerson, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the Company ), will be held on June 16, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. (Eastern Daylight time) at the Marriott Residence Inn (Times Square), Bryant Park Meeting Room, 1033 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10018, Tel (212) 768-0007, for the following purposes, as more fully described in the Proxy Statement accompanying this notice:

(1) To elect two Class II directors to serve until the 2014 Annual Meeting of Stockholders or in each case until such director s successor shall have been duly elected and qualified;

(2) To ratify the Audit Committee s appointment of BDO USA, LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm of the Company for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2011;

(3) To hold an advisory vote on executive compensation;

(4) To hold an advisory vote on the frequency of the advisory vote on executive compensation; and

(5) To transact such other business as may properly come before the Annual Meeting or any adjournments or postponements thereof.

Only stockholders of record at the close of business on April 20, 2011 (the record date ) will be entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the Annual Meeting, and any adjournments or postponements thereof. The stock transfer books of the Company will remain open between the record date and the date of the Annual Meeting, and any adjournments or postponements thereof. A list of stockholders entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting, and any adjournments or postponements thereof, will be available for inspection at the Annual Meeting, and any adjournments or postponements thereof, and for a period of 10 days prior to the meeting during regular business hours at the offices of

the Company listed above.

All stockholders are cordially invited to attend the Annual Meeting in person. Whether or not you plan to attend the Annual Meeting in person, your vote is important. To assure your representation at the Annual Meeting, please sign and date the enclosed Proxy Card and return it promptly in the enclosed envelope, which requires no additional postage if mailed in the United States or Canada. Should you receive more than one Proxy Card because your shares are registered in different names and addresses, each Proxy Card should be signed and returned to assure that all your shares will be voted. You may revoke your proxy in the manner described in the Proxy Statement at any time prior to it being voted at the Annual Meeting. If you attend the Annual Meeting and vote by ballot, your proxy will be revoked automatically and only your vote at the Annual Meeting will be counted.

By Order of the Board of Directors

/s/ Robert P. LoCascio

Robert P. LoCascio Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer New York, New York April 29, 2011

#### YOUR VOTE IS VERY IMPORTANT, REGARDLESS OF THE NUMBER OF SHARES YOU OWN. PLEASE READ THE ATTACHED PROXY STATEMENT CAREFULLY, COMPLETE, SIGN AND DATE THE ENCLOSED PROXY CARD AS PROMPTLY AS POSSIBLE AND RETURN IT IN THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE.

# LIVEPERSON, INC.

# 462 Seventh Avenue, 3rd Floor New York, New York 10018

# **PROXY STATEMENT**

### General

This Proxy Statement is furnished to the stockholders of record of LivePerson, Inc., a Delaware corporation, or LivePerson or the Company, as of the record date, in connection with the solicitation of proxies on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Company for use at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on June 16, 2011, and at any adjournments or postponements thereof. The Annual Meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. (Eastern Daylight time) at the Marriott Residence Inn (Times Square), Bryant Park Meeting Room, 1033 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10018, Tel (212) 768-0007. This Proxy Statement and the accompanying Proxy Card and Notice of Annual Meeting of Stockholders are first being mailed on or about May 2, 2011 to all stockholders entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting and at any adjournments or postponements thereof.

### Voting

The specific matters to be considered and acted upon at the Annual Meeting are:

the election of two directors;

(2) the ratification of the Audit Committee s appointment of BDO USA, LLP as the Company s independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2011;

to hold an advisory vote on executive compensation;

(4) to hold an advisory vote on the frequency of the advisory vote on executive compensation; and
 (5) to act upon such other business as may properly come before the Annual Meeting or any adjournments or postponements thereof.

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These matters are described in more detail in this Proxy Statement.

On the record date, for determination of stockholders entitled to notice of and to vote at the Annual Meeting and any adjournments or postponements thereof, 52,669,085 shares of the Company s common stock were issued and outstanding. No shares of the Company s preferred stock, par value \$0.001 per share, were outstanding. Each stockholder is entitled to one vote for each share of common stock held by such stockholder on the record date. Stockholders may not cumulate votes in the election of directors.

There are four ways a stockholder of record can vote:

*By Internet*: You vote over the Internet at *www.voteproxy.com* by following the instructions on the proxy card. *By Mail*: You may complete, sign and mail the accompanying proxy card in the postage-paid envelope provided. *In Person*: If you are a stockholder as of the record date, you may vote in person at the Annual Meeting. Submitting a proxy will not prevent a stockholder from attending the Annual Meeting, revoking their earlier-submitted proxy, and voting in person.

The stock transfer books of the Company will remain open between the record date and the date of the Annual Meeting, and any adjournments or postponements thereof. A list of stockholders entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting, and any adjournments or postponements thereof, will be available for inspection at the Annual Meeting, and any adjournments or postponements thereof, and for a period of ten days prior to the meeting during regular business hours at the offices of the Company listed above.

The presence, in person or by proxy, of the holders of a majority of the votes entitled to be cast at the Annual Meeting is necessary to constitute a quorum in connection with the transaction of business at the Annual Meeting. All votes will be tabulated by the inspector of election appointed for the meeting, who will separately tabulate affirmative and negative votes, abstentions and broker non-votes (*i.e.*, proxies from brokers or nominees indicating that such persons have not received instructions from the beneficial owner or other persons entitled to vote shares as to a matter with respect to which the brokers or nominees do not have discretionary power to vote). Abstentions and broker non-votes are counted as present for purposes of determining the presence or absence of a quorum for the transaction of business.

If a quorum is present, the two nominees who receive the greatest number of votes properly cast (in person or by proxy) will be elected as Class II Directors. Only votes FOR or WITHHELD count. Neither abstentions nor broker non-votes will have any effect on the outcome of voting with respect to the election of the Class II directors. If you own shares through a broker, you must give the broker instructions to vote your shares in the election of directors. Otherwise, your shares will not be voted. Stockholders may not cumulate votes for the election of directors.

Proposals other than for the election of directors shall be approved by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the shares of the Common Stock present at the Annual Meeting, in person or by proxy, and entitled to vote thereon. With respect to the Proposal 4 (the frequency of an advisory vote on executive compensation), if none of the three frequency choices receives a majority, the choice that receives the plurality of votes case will be considered approved. Abstentions will be counted towards the tabulations of votes cast on these proposals presented to the stockholders and will have the same effect as negative votes, whereas broker non-votes will not be counted for purposes of determining whether such a proposal has been approved.

Under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, stockholders are not entitled to dissenter s rights with respect to any matter to be considered and voted on at the Annual Meeting, and the Company will not independently provide stockholders with any such right.

### **Proxies**

If the enclosed Proxy Card is properly signed and returned, the shares represented thereby will be voted at the Annual Meeting in accordance with the instructions specified thereon. If a signed and returned Proxy Card does not specify how the shares represented thereby are to be voted, the proxy will be voted **FOR** the election of the Class II directors proposed by the Board, unless the authority to vote for the election of such directors is withheld. In addition, if no contrary instructions are given, the proxy will be voted **FOR** the approval of Proposal 2 and Proposal 3 and for **ONE YEAR** for Proposal 4, each as described in this Proxy Statement, and as the proxy holders deem advisable for all other matters as may properly come before the Annual Meeting. You may revoke or change your proxy at any time before the Annual Meeting by filing with the Secretary of the Company, at the Company s principal executive offices at 462 Seventh Avenue, 3rd Floor, New York, New York 10018, a notice of revocation or another signed Proxy Card with a later date. You may also revoke your proxy by attending the Annual Meeting and voting in person.

### Solicitation

The Company will bear the entire cost of solicitation, including the preparation, assembly, printing and mailing of this Proxy Statement, the enclosed Proxy Card and any additional solicitation materials furnished to the stockholders. Copies of solicitation materials will be furnished to brokerage houses, fiduciaries and custodians holding shares in their names that are beneficially owned by others so that they may forward this solicitation material to such beneficial owners. In addition, the Company may reimburse such persons for their costs in forwarding the solicitation materials

to such beneficial owners. The original solicitation of proxies by mail may be supplemented by a solicitation by telephone, telegram or other means by directors, officers or employees of the Company. No additional compensation will be paid to these individuals for any such services. Except as described above, the Company does not presently intend to solicit proxies other than by mail.

### Important Notice of Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on June 16, 2011

Our proxy materials including our Proxy Statement, Annual Report on Form 10-K and proxy card are available on the Internet and may be viewed and printed, free of charge, at *http://liveperson2011.investorroom.com*.

### **Deadline for Receipt of Stockholder Proposals**

In order to be considered for inclusion in the Company s Proxy Statement and Proxy Card relating to the 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, any proposal by a stockholder submitted pursuant to Rule 14a-8 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act ), must be received by the Company at its principal executive offices in New York, New York, on or before December 31, 2011. In addition, under the Company s bylaws, any proposal for consideration at the 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders submitted by a stockholder other than pursuant to Rule 14a-8 will be considered timely if it is received by the Secretary of the Company at its principal executive offices between the close of business on February 17, 2012 and the close of business on March 18, 2012, and is otherwise in compliance with the requirements set forth in the Company s bylaws. The proxy solicited by the Board of Directors for the 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders will confer discretionary authority to vote as the proxy holders deem advisable on such stockholder proposals which are considered untimely.

# IMPORTANT ADDITIONAL VOTING INFORMATION FOR THE 2011 ANNUAL MEETING

If you hold your shares through a broker, bank or other financial institution, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC, has approved a New York Stock Exchange rule that changes the manner in which your vote in the election of directors will be handled at our upcoming 2011 annual meeting of stockholders.

Stockholders who hold shares of LivePerson through a broker, bank or other financial institution receive proxy materials before each stockholder meeting. In the past, if you did not transmit your voting instructions before the stockholder meeting, your broker was allowed to vote on your behalf on the election of directors and other matters considered to be routine.

Effective as of January 1, 2010, your broker is no longer permitted to vote on your behalf on the election of directors unless you provide specific instructions by completing and returning the proxy card or following the instructions provided to you on how to vote your shares on the Internet. For your vote to be counted, you now will need to communicate your voting decisions to your broker, bank or other financial institution before the date of the stockholder meeting.

## Your Participation in Voting the Shares You Own Is Important

Voting your shares is important to ensure that you have a say in the governance of your company and to fulfill the objectives of the plurality voting standard that we apply in the election of directors. Please review the proxy materials and follow the instructions on the proxy card to vote your shares. We hope you will exercise your rights and fully participate as a stockholder in our future.

### More Information Is Available

If you have any questions about this rule or the proxy voting process in general, please contact the broker, bank or other financial institution where you hold your shares. The SEC also has a website (www.sec.gov/spotlight/proxymatters.shtml) with more information about your rights as a stockholder. Additionally, you may contact our Investor Relations Department at http://www.liveperson.com/company/ir/.

# MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED AT ANNUAL MEETING PROPOSAL ONE ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

### General

The Company s Fourth Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation provides for a classified Board of Directors, consisting of three classes of directors with staggered three-year terms, with each class consisting, as nearly as possible, of one third of the total number of directors. At the annual meeting of stockholders in the year in which the term of a class of directors expires, director nominees in such class will stand for election to three-year terms. With respect to each class, a director s term will be subject to the election and qualification of such director s successor, or the earlier death, resignation or removal of such director.

As of the date of this Proxy Statement, the Board consists of six persons, as follows:

Class I	Class II	Class III
(current term ends upon	(current term ends upon	(current term ends upon
2013 Annual Meeting)	this Annual Meeting)	2012 Annual Meeting)
William G. Wesemann	Peter Block	Kevin C. Lavan
	David Vaskevitch	Robert P. LoCascio
	Timothy Bixby*	

As announced previously by the Company on a Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange \*Commission on April 7, 2011, Timothy Bixby will be resigning from his positions as President and Chief Financial Officer, President and member of the Board on May 13, 2011 and will not be a member of the Board at the time of the Annual Meeting.

The term of office for Mr. Block and Mr. Vaskevitch expires at the Annual Meeting. The Board has selected Messrs. Block and Vaskevitch, the current Class II directors at the time of the Annual Meeting, as nominees for Class II directors whose term of office will expire at the 2014 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

Messrs. Block and Vaskevitch have agreed to be named as nominees and to continue to serve as directors, if elected, and management has no reason to believe that they will be unavailable to serve. If either Mr. Block or Mr. Vaskevitch is unable or declines to serve as a director at the time of the Annual Meeting, the proxies will be voted for any nominee who may be designated by the present Board of Directors to fill the vacancy. Unless otherwise instructed, the proxy holders will vote the proxies received by them **FOR** Messrs. Block and Vaskevitch. The proxies solicited by this Proxy Statement cannot be voted for a greater number of persons than the number of nominees named.

### **Required Vote**

The Class II directors shall be elected by the affirmative vote of a plurality of the shares of the common stock present at the Annual Meeting, in person or by proxy, and entitled to vote in the election of directors. Pursuant to applicable Delaware law, abstentions and broker non-votes will have no effect on the outcome of the vote and will not be voted for directors.

### Nominees for Term Ending upon the 2014 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (Class II)

Peter Block, 71, has been a director since July 2010. Since 1997, Mr. Block has been President of Peter Block Inc., a management consulting group, and a partner in Designed Learning, a training company that offers workshops designed by Mr. Block to build organizational development skills. Mr. Block is also a best-selling author of several books organizational dynamics, community and accountability. Mr. Block is the recipient of the Organization Development Network s 2008 Lifetime Achievement Award. Among other national awards, he also received the American Society for Training and Development Award for Distinguished Contributions, the Association for Quality and Participation President s Award, and he was entered into Training Magazine s HRD Hall of Fame. Mr. Block holds a B.S. degree in Industrial Administration from the University of Kansas and an M.S. degree in Industrial Administration from the University of Kansas and an M.S. degree in Industrial Administration from the University of the company consulting and organizational development principles qualify and enable him to make a significant and valuable contribution as a director of the Company.

David Vaskevitch, 58, has been a director since April 2011. Mr. Vaskevitch has been a member of the senior management team of GETCO, LLC since March, 2011. Prior to that, Mr. Vaskevitch was an independent consultant from September 2009 until March 2011. Previously, Mr. Vaskevitch served as Senior Vice President and Chief Technical Officer of Microsoft Corporation from August 2001 through August 2009, and as Senior Vice President of Business Applications of Microsoft Corporation from March 2000 to August 2001. Mr. Vaskevitch joined Microsoft in 1986 as the company s first Director of Marketing, and served in a variety of senior leadership positions during his 23-year tenure, including Senior Vice President of Developer, Vice President of Distributed Applications Platform and General Manager of Enterprise Computing. He also founded the Microsoft Consulting Services (MCS) division to assist enterprises in transitioning to client/server computing. Before joining Microsoft, Mr. Vaskevitch was an entrepreneur, software architect, and consultant. Mr. Vaskevitch holds B.S. degrees in Math, Computer Science and Philosophy, and a Masters degree in Computer Science from the University of Toronto. The Company believes that Mr. Vaskevitch s extensive technical, marketing and business background, and his deep industry knowledge and experience, qualify and enable him to make a significant and valuable contribution as a director of the Company.

### **Recommendation of the Board of Directors**

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS THAT THE STOCKHOLDERS VOTE FOR THE ELECTION OF MESSRS. BLOCK AND VASKEVITCH.

### Continuing Directors for Term Ending upon the 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (Class III)

Kevin C. Lavan, 58, has been a director since January 2000. Since April 2010, Mr. Lavan has been Senior Vice President, Worldwide Controller of IMG, an international and diversified sports, entertainment and media company. From July 2008 to April 2010, Mr. Lavan was Chief Financial Officer of Paradysz Matera Company, Inc., a direct marketing and digital marketing agency. From August 2007 until July 2008, Mr. Lavan was an independent consultant. From November 2004 until August 2007, Mr. Lavan served advertising agencies affiliated with MDC Partners, Inc. in various capacities. Between October 2000 and November 2004, Mr. Lavan served as an independent consultant to marketing services organizations. In addition, between January 2001 and September 2002, Mr. Lavan was President and Chief Operating Officer of NowMarketing, Inc., formerly known as Elbit VFlash, Inc. From March 1999 until October 2000, Mr. Lavan was an Executive Vice President of Wunderman, the direct marketing and customer relationship marketing division of Young & Rubicam Inc. From February 1997 to March 1999, Mr. Lavan was Senior Vice President of Finance at Young & Rubicam. From 1984 to February 1997, Mr. Lavan held various positions at Viacom Inc., including Controller, and Chief Financial Officer for Viacom s subsidiary, MTV Networks. Mr. Lavan is a Certified Public Accountant. Mr. Lavan received a B.S. from Manhattan College. The Company believes that Mr. Lavan s financial and business expertise, and his industry knowledge, including his background serving in financial and operational roles at several leading advertising and marketing organizations, qualify and enable him to make a significant and valuable contribution as a director of the Company.

Robert P. LoCascio, 42, has been our Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of our Board of Directors since our inception in November 1995. In addition, Mr. LoCascio was our President from November 1995 until January 2001.
 Mr. LoCascio founded our Company as Sybarite Interactive Inc., which developed a community-based web software platform known as TOWN. Before founding Sybarite Interactive, through November 1995, Mr. LoCascio was the founder and Chief Executive Officer of Sybarite Media Inc. (known as IKON), a developer of interactive public kiosks that integrated interactive video features with advertising and commerce capabilities. Mr. LoCascio was named a New York City Ernst & Young Entrepreneur of the Year finalist in 2001 and 2008. Mr. LoCascio received a B.B.A. from Loyola College. The Company believes that Mr. LoCascio s business and technology industry experience, vision

for innovation, and deep institutional knowledge of the Company, qualify and enable him to make a significant and valuable contribution as a director of the Company.

### Continuing Directors for Term Ending upon the 2013 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (Class I)

William G. Wesemann, 54, has been a director since November 2004. Since October 2002, Mr. Wesemann has been an independent consultant. Between January 2001 and October 2002, Mr. Wesemann was Chief Executive Officer of NextPage, Inc., a provider of document management systems. Between August 2000 and January 2001, Mr. Wesemann was Chief Executive Officer of netLens Inc., which was acquired by NextPage and offered a peer-to-peer platform for creating distributed applications. Between May 1996 and May 2000, Mr. Wesemann was Vice President of Sales of Genesys Telecommunications Laboratories, Inc., a leader in computer-telephony integration. Mr.
Wesemann received a B.A. from Glassboro State College (now called Rowan University). The Company believes that Mr. Wesemann s business expertise and technology industry background, including his experience serving in chief executive and sales leadership roles at successful technology companies, qualify and enable him to make a make a significant and valuable contribution as a director of the Company.

### **Director Independence**

The Board of Directors applies the standards of The NASDAQ Stock Market, or NASDAQ, and Rule 10A-3 promulgated by the SEC in determining whether a director is independent. NASDAQ rules generally provide that no director or nominee for director qualifies as independent unless the Board of directors affirmatively determines that such person has no relationship with the Company that, in the opinion of the Board, would interfere with the exercise of independent judgment in carrying out the responsibilities of a director. Specifically, the following persons may not be considered independent: (i) a director or nominee for director who is, or at any time during the past three years was, employed by the Company or by any subsidiary of the Company; (ii) a director or nominee for director who accepts, or has a family member who accepts, any payments from the Company or any subsidiary of the Company in excess of \$120,000 during any period of twelve consecutive months within any of the past three fiscal years preceding the determination of independence other than (1) compensation for Board or Board Committee service, (2) compensation paid to a family member who is a non-executive employee of the Company or a subsidiary of the Company or (3) benefits under a tax-qualified retirement plan, or non-discretionary compensation; (iii) a director or nominee for director who has a family member who is, or at any time during the past three years was, employed by the Company or any subsidiary of the Company as an executive officer; (iv) a director or nominee for director who is, or has a family member who is, a partner in, or a controlling stockholder or an executive officer of, any organization to which the Company made, or from which the Company received, payments for property or services in the current or any of the past three fiscal years that exceeded 5% of the recipient s consolidated gross revenues for that year or \$200,000, whichever is more, other than (1) payments arising solely from investments in the Company s securities or (2) payments under non-discretionary charitable contribution matching programs; (v) a director or nominee for director who is, or has a family member who is, employed as an executive officer of another entity at any time during the past three years where any of the executive officers of the Company serves on the compensation committee of such other entity; and (vi) a director or nominee for director who is, or has a family member who is, a current partner of the Company s independent registered public accounting firm, or was a partner or employee of the Company s independent registered public accounting firm, who worked on the Company s audit at any time during the past three years. Rule 10A-3 provides a safe harbor position that a person who is not the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 10% of our common stock, and who is not one of our executive officers, will not be deemed to be an affiliate of us for purposes of satisfying the audit committee member independence rules.

The Board of Directors, in applying the above-referenced standards, has affirmatively determined that each of the following individuals is an independent director of the Company: Messrs. Block, Lavan, Vaskevitch and Wesemann. As part of the Board s process in making such determination, each such director provided confirmation that (a) all of

the above-cited objective criteria for independence are satisfied and (b) each such director has no other relationship with the Company that would interfere with the exercise of independent judgment in carrying out the responsibilities of a director.

### **Board Committees and Meetings**

The Board of Directors held six meetings during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010, which we refer to in this Proxy Statement as the 2010 Fiscal Year. The Board of Directors has an Audit Committee, a Compensation Committee and a Nominating and Governance Committee.

#### The Board committees are composed of the following members:

Audit Committee	Compensation Committee	Nominating and Corporate
	Compensation Committee	Governance Committee
Kevin C. Lavan (Chair)	Peter Block (Chair)	Peter Block
David Vaskevitch	Kevin C. Lavan	Kevin C. Lavan
William G. Wesemann	David Vaskevitch	David Vaskevitch
	William G. Wesemann	William G. Wesemann (Chair)

In the 2010 Fiscal Year, each director attended or participated in at least 75% of the aggregate of (i) the total number of meetings of the Board of Directors, and (ii) the total number of meetings held by all committees of the Board on which such director served (in each case for meetings held during the period in the 2010 Fiscal Year for which such director served).

Directors who are not members of the Company s management meet at regularly scheduled executive sessions without members of management present. At least two of these meetings each year are to include only those directors who are independent under the current listing standards of NASDAQ. Currently, all non-employee directors are independent.

While the Company has not adopted a formal policy with regard to attendance by members of the Board of Directors at annual stockholder meetings, all members of the Board are invited to attend the Company s annual meeting of stockholders. At the 2010 Annual Meeting, three of our directors attended.

#### **Audit Committee**

The Audit Committee appoints our independent registered public accounting firm, subject to ratification by our stockholders, reviews the plan for and the results of the independent audit, approves the fees of our independent registered public accounting firm, reviews with management and the independent registered public accounting firm our quarterly and annual financial statements and our internal accounting, financial and disclosure controls, reviews and approves transactions between LivePerson and its officers, directors and affiliates and performs other duties and responsibilities as set forth in a charter approved by the Board of Directors. Each member of the Audit Committee is independent, as independence is defined for purposes of Audit Committee membership by the listing standards of NASDAQ and the applicable rules and regulations of the SEC. The Audit Committee held four meetings during the 2010 Fiscal Year.

The Board has determined that each member of the Audit Committee is able to read and understand fundamental financial statements, including LivePerson s balance sheet, income statement and cash flow statement, as required by NASDAQ rules. In addition, the Board has determined that Mr. Lavan satisfies the NASDAQ rule requiring that at least one member of our Board s Audit Committee have past employment experience in finance or accounting, requisite professional certification in accounting, or any other comparable experience or background which results in the member s financial sophistication, including being, or having been, a chief executive officer, chief financial officer or other senior officer with financial oversight responsibilities. The Board has also determined that Mr. Lavan is an audit committee financial expert as defined by the SEC.

#### **Compensation Committee**

The Compensation Committee s primary responsibility is to review and approve the compensation to be paid or provided to the Company s executive officers and to assure that such compensation is in line with the Company s strategy, sound corporate governance principles and shareholder interests. The Compensation Committee also

oversees the Company s compensation, equity and employee benefit plans and programs and performs other duties and responsibilities as set forth in a charter approved by the Board of Directors that is available on the Company s website at *http://www.liveperson.com*. The Chief Executive Officer and the Human Resources Department present compensation and benefit proposals to the Compensation Committee for the Committee s consideration and approval. Each member of the Compensation Committee is independent, as independence is defined for purposes of Compensation Committee membership by the listing standards of NASDAQ and a non-employee director as defined in Rule 16b-3 under the Exchange Act. The

Compensation Committee deliberated as needed during regularly scheduled board meetings during the 2010 Fiscal Year and in addition the Compensation Committee held three separate meetings during the 2010 Fiscal Year.

In making its determinations with respect to executive compensation, the Compensation Committee has not historically engaged the services of a compensation consultant. The Compensation Committee annually reviews competitive compensation data prepared by Culpepper and Associates, a provider of worldwide salary surveys and data for compensation and employee benefit programs in the technology industry, as well as compensation data made publicly available by peer group companies. The Compensation Committee has the authority to retain, terminate and set the terms of the Company s relationship with any outside advisors who assist the Committee in carrying out its responsibilities.

#### Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of our Board of Directors is responsible for identifying individuals qualified to become Board members, recommending to our Board the persons to be nominated for election as directors and to each of the Board s committees, reviewing and making recommendations to the Board with respect to management succession planning, developing and recommending to the Board corporate governance principles, and overseeing evaluation of the Board as needed. The processes and procedures followed by the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee in identifying and evaluating director candidates are described below under Director Nomination Process. Each member of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee is independent, as defined under the rules of NASDAQ. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee deliberated as needed during regularly scheduled board meetings during the 2010 Fiscal Year.

#### **Director Nomination Process**

The processes established by our Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee Charter to identify and evaluate director candidates include requests to Board members and others for recommendations, evaluation of biographical information and background material relating to potential candidates and interviews of selected candidates by members of the Committee and the Board, all on an as needed basis from time to time.

In considering whether to recommend any particular candidate for inclusion in the Board s slate of recommended director nominees, our Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee will apply the criteria attached to the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee s charter. These criteria include the candidate s integrity, business acumen, knowledge of our business and industry, experience, diligence, conflicts of interest and the ability to act in the interests of all stockholders. Specific weighting is not assigned to the criteria and no particular criterion is a prerequisite for each prospective nominee. Our Board of Directors believes that the backgrounds and qualifications of its directors, considered as a group, should provide a composite mix of experience, knowledge and abilities that will allow it to fulfill its responsibilities. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee has, on certain occasions, retained a third party executive search firm to identify or assist in the evaluation of candidates.

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee does not have a formal diversity policy with respect to the identification and recommendation of individuals for membership on the Company s Board of Directors. However, in carrying out this responsibility, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee values differences in professional experience, educational background, viewpoint and other individual qualities and attributes that facilitate and enhance the oversight by the Board of Directors of the business and affairs of the Company.

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee will also consider as potential nominees for our Board persons recommended by stockholders. Stockholders wishing to bring a nomination for a director candidate at a stockholders

meeting must give written notice to LivePerson s Corporate Secretary, pursuant to the procedures set forth under Communicating with the Board of Directors and subject to the deadline set forth under Deadline for Stockholder Proposals. The stockholder s notice must set forth all information relating to each person whom the stockholder proposes to nominate that is required to be disclosed under applicable rules and regulations of the SEC and LivePerson s bylaws. Our bylaws can be accessed in the Company Investor Relations section of our website at *www.liveperson.com*.