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### **NOTICE OF 2017 ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS**

To our shareholders:

The 2017 Annual Meeting of Shareholders of MasTec, Inc. will be held on May 18, 2017 at 9:30 a.m., local time, at the Douglas Entrance Building, South Tower, located at 806 S. Douglas Road, 10th Floor, Royal Poinciana Conference Room, Coral Gables, Florida 33134. At the Annual Meeting, shareholders will be asked to vote on the following proposals:

1. The election of Ernst N. Csiszar, Julia L. Johnson and Jorge Mas as Class I directors to serve until the 2020 Annual Meeting of Shareholders and the election of C. Robert Campbell as a Class III Director to serve until the 2019 Annual Meeting of Shareholders;
2. Ratification of the appointment of BDO USA, LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the 2017 fiscal year;
3. Approval of a non-binding advisory resolution regarding the compensation of our named executive officers;
4. A non-binding advisory resolution regarding the frequency of the vote regarding the compensation of our named executive officers; and
5. Such other business as may properly be brought before the Annual Meeting, and at any adjournments or postponements of the Annual Meeting.

The foregoing proposals are discussed more fully in the Proxy Statement accompanying this notice. Shareholders of record at the close of business on March 10, 2017 are entitled to notice of and to vote at the Annual Meeting and at any adjournments or postponements of the Annual Meeting.

Pursuant to the rules and regulations promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission, which we refer to as the SEC, we are providing access to our proxy materials over the Internet. Accordingly, we are sending a Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials on or about March 27, 2017 to our shareholders of record on March 10, 2017. The Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials contains instructions for accessing our Proxy Statement and Annual Report and how to vote. In addition, the Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials contains instructions on how you may (i) receive a paper copy of the Proxy Statement and Annual Report or (ii) elect to receive your Proxy Statement and Annual Report over the Internet.

We encourage you to attend the Annual Meeting. Whether you plan to attend in person, it is important that your shares be represented and voted at the Annual Meeting. You may vote your shares over the Internet or by telephone. If you received a paper copy of the proxy card by mail, please mark, sign, date and promptly return the card in the self-addressed stamped envelope provided. Instructions regarding the methods of voting are contained in the proxy card. Voting over the Internet, by telephone or by mailing a proxy card will not limit your right to attend the Annual Meeting and vote your shares in person.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

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José R. Mas, Chief Executive Officer

Coral Gables, Florida

March 27, 2017

**PROXY STATEMENT**

**2017 ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS OF MASTEC, INC.**

**QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT OUR ANNUAL MEETING**

**Why did I receive this Proxy Statement?**

The Board of Directors, referred to as the Board, of MasTec, Inc., referred to as MasTec or the Company, is furnishing this Proxy Statement to solicit proxies on its behalf to be voted at the 2017 Annual Meeting of Shareholders of MasTec, referred to as the Annual Meeting, to be held at the Douglas Entrance Building, South Tower, located at 806 S. Douglas Road, 10th Floor, Royal Poinciana Conference Room, Coral Gables, Florida 33134, on May 18, 2017, at 9:30 a.m. local time. This Proxy Statement summarizes the information you need to vote by proxy or in person at the Annual Meeting. You do not need to attend the Annual Meeting in person to vote.

**When was this Proxy Statement first sent, or given to security holders?**

We began mailing the Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials on or about March 27, 2017 to shareholders of record at the close of business on March 10, 2017.

**Who is entitled to vote?**

Only holders of record of shares of our common stock at the close of business on March 10, 2017, referred to as the Record Date, are entitled to notice of and to vote at the Annual Meeting or any adjournment or postponement of the meeting. On the Record Date, 82,615,513 shares of common stock were issued and outstanding.

**What is the quorum for the meeting?**

A quorum requires the presence, in person or by proxy, of a majority of the shares of common stock issued and outstanding and entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting. No business may be conducted at the Annual Meeting if a quorum is not present. If less than a majority of the issued and outstanding shares entitled to vote is represented at the Annual Meeting, then the holders of the shares so represented may adjourn the Annual Meeting to another date, time or place. Notice need not be given of the new date, time or place if announced at the Annual Meeting before an adjournment is taken, unless a new record date is fixed for the Annual Meeting (in which case a notice of the adjourned meeting will be given to shareholders of record on such new record date, each of whom would be entitled to vote at the adjourned meeting).

**How many votes do I have?**

Each share of common stock entitles its owner to one vote on each matter brought before the Annual Meeting.

**How do shareholders of record vote?**

If your shares of our common stock are registered directly in your name, then you are a shareholder of record, and you will receive your Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials directly from us.

For shareholders of record, voting instructions submitted via mail, telephone or the Internet must be received by Broadridge, our independent tabulator, by 11:59 p.m., Eastern Time, on May 17, 2017. Submitting your vote via mail, telephone or the Internet will not affect your right to vote in person should you decide to attend the Annual Meeting. See *Can I change my vote after I have voted?* below.

The Internet and telephone voting procedures available to you are designed to authenticate shareholders' identities, to allow shareholders to give their voting instructions and to confirm that shareholders' instructions

have been recorded properly. Shareholders voting via the Internet or telephone should understand that third parties may charge fees for voting in this manner such as usage charges from Internet access providers and telephone companies, which are borne by the shareholder.

A shareholder of record may vote in person by attending the Annual Meeting, presenting proof of identity and delivering a completed proxy card or ballot in person.

**How do I vote my shares if they are held by my broker?**

If you hold your shares of common stock through a broker, bank or other financial institution, then you are considered the beneficial owner of shares held in street name, and you will receive voting instructions from your broker, bank or other financial institution. If you hold shares of our common stock in street name and wish to vote in person at the meeting, then you must present a recent proxy from your bank, broker or other financial institution that validates your ownership, as of the Record Date, of the shares of common stock that you intend to vote. You also must present proof of identity to enter the meeting.

**How do I vote my shares that are held in my 401(k) Retirement Plan?**

All persons who have shares of our common stock allocated to their accounts as participants or beneficiaries under the MasTec, Inc. 401(k) Retirement Plan, which we refer to as the 401(k) Plan, may instruct Bank of America Merrill Lynch, which acts as the trustee for the 401(k) Plan and which we refer to as the Trustee, to vote the shares of common stock held for their account as participants or beneficiaries of the 401(k) Plan. You can instruct the voting of stock you hold in the 401(k) Plan by requesting a voting instruction card to sign, date and return, or by submitting your vote by telephone or through the Internet.

Please see the Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials we sent to you or this Proxy Statement for specific instructions on how to provide voting instructions by any of these methods. Please note that your voting instructions for stock you hold in the 401(k) Plan must be returned by 11:59 p.m., Eastern Time, on May 14, 2017. In the event no voting instruction card is received from a participant or beneficiary or a voting instruction card is received without instructions, or in the event shares are not yet allocated to any participant's account, those shares will not be voted for any of the proposals. The Trustee does not know of any other business to be brought before the Annual Meeting but it is intended that, if any other matters properly come before the Annual Meeting, the Trustee, as proxy, will vote upon such matters per its judgment.

Any 401(k) Plan participant or beneficiary who executes and delivers a proxy card may revoke it at any time prior to its use by executing and delivering a duly executed voting instruction card bearing a later date or by giving written notice to the Trustee. The Trustee will vote the shares held for the accounts of the participants or their beneficiaries in the 401(k) Plan in accordance with the instructions noted thereon, and only the Trustee of the 401(k) Plan can vote the shares allocated to the accounts of participants, even if such participants or their beneficiaries attend the Annual Meeting in person.

**What am I voting on?**

At the Annual Meeting, our shareholders will be asked to vote on the following proposals:

1. The election of Ernst N. Csiszar, Julia L. Johnson and Jorge Mas as Class I directors to serve until the 2020 Annual Meeting of Shareholders and the election of C. Robert Campbell as a Class III Director to serve until the 2019 Annual Meeting of Shareholders;
2. Ratification of the appointment of BDO USA, LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the 2017 fiscal year;
3. Approval of a non-binding advisory resolution regarding the compensation of our named executive officers;
4. A non-binding advisory resolution regarding the frequency of the vote regarding the compensation of our named executive officers;

5. Such other business as may properly be brought before the Annual Meeting, and at any adjournments or postponements of the Annual Meeting.

**What vote is required for the proposals?**

*Election of directors*

If a quorum is present, directors will be elected pursuant to the affirmative vote of a plurality of the shares of common stock voting in person or represented by proxy at the Annual Meeting, which means that the three nominees who receive the most affirmative votes will be elected to the Board. Shareholders, entitled to vote, may vote in favor of all the nominees or any individual nominee or withhold their votes as to all the nominees or any individual nominee.

Our Board's Governance Principles include a director majority vote policy. The majority vote policy is applicable solely to uncontested elections, which are those elections in which the number of nominees for election is less than or equal to the number of directors to be elected. Under the majority vote policy any nominee for director who receives more withheld votes than for votes in an uncontested election must submit a written offer to resign as director. Any such resignation will be reviewed by the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, and, within 90 days after the election, the independent members of the Board will determine whether to accept, reject or take other appropriate action with respect to the resignation in furtherance of the best interests of MasTec and its shareholders.

*Ratification of BDO USA, LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm*

If a quorum is present, ratification of the appointment of our independent registered public accounting firm requires that the number of votes cast at the Annual Meeting in favor of ratification exceeds the number of votes cast opposing ratification.

*Approval of a non-binding advisory resolution regarding the compensation of our named executive officers.*

If a quorum is present, approval requires that the number of votes cast at the Annual Meeting in favor of the resolution exceeds the number of votes cast opposing the resolution.

*Vote on a non-binding advisory resolution regarding the frequency of the vote regarding the compensation of our named executive officers.*

Shareholders will be asked to vote on a non-binding, advisory basis as to whether we should include in our proxy statement a non-binding, advisory vote on the compensation of our named executive officers every year, two years or three years. If a quorum is present, the outcome of this vote will be determined by a plurality of the votes cast, which means that we will take under advisement the choice (every year, two years or three years) that receives the most votes.

**How are abstentions and broker non-votes treated?**

*Abstentions*

Pursuant to Florida law, abstentions are counted as present for purposes of determining the presence of a quorum; however, abstentions will not be counted as votes cast for or against any proposal and will have no effect on the voting results for any proposal.

*Broker non-votes*

Under the rules of the New York Stock Exchange, which we refer to as the NYSE, if a broker, bank or other institution that holds shares in street name for a customer does not receive voting instructions from that customer with respect to such shares, the broker may vote those shares on only routine matters. A broker may not vote

such shares on non-routine matters unless it receives voting instructions from the customer for whom it holds shares. A broker non-vote occurs when a broker does not receive such voting instructions from its customer on non-routine matters. Broker non-votes are counted for purposes of determining the presence of a quorum; however, broker non-votes will not be counted as votes cast for or against any proposal and will have no effect on the voting results for any proposal.

Other than Proposal No. 2 (the ratification of the appointment of BDO USA, LLP as our independent certified public accounting firm), all the proposals in this Proxy Statement are considered non-routine matters. For this reason, we urge you to give voting instructions to your broker. If any routine matters (in addition to Proposal No. 2) are properly brought before the Annual Meeting, then brokers holding shares in street name will be permitted to vote those shares in their discretion for any such routine matters.

**Will there be any other items of business on the agenda?**

The Board does not know of any other matters that will be brought before the Annual Meeting nor does it foresee or have reason to believe that proxy holders will have to vote for substitute or alternate nominees for election to the Board. If any other matter should come before the Annual Meeting, or any nominee is not available for election, the persons named in the proxy that a shareholder submitted via the Internet, phone or mail will have discretionary authority to vote all shares represented by such proxy unless otherwise specified to the contrary with respect to such matters in accordance with the recommendation of the Board.

**What happens if I submit or return my proxy card without voting?**

When you properly submit your proxy via the Internet, phone or mail, the shares it represents will be voted at the Annual Meeting in accordance with your directions. If you properly submit your proxy with no direction, the proxy will be voted:

For: The election of Ernst N. Csiszar, Julia L. Johnson and Jorge Mas as Class I directors to serve until the 2020 Annual Meeting of Shareholders and the election of C. Robert Campbell as a Class III Director to serve until the 2019 Annual Meeting of Shareholders;

For: Ratification of the appointment of BDO USA, LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the 2017 fiscal year; and

For: Approval of a non-binding advisory resolution regarding the compensation of our named executive officers;

For ONE YEAR on the non-binding advisory resolution relating to the frequency of advisory votes on the compensation of our named executive officers and;

In accordance with the recommendation of the Board for or against all other business as may properly be brought before the Annual Meeting and at any adjournments or postponements of the Annual Meeting.

**Can I change my vote after I have voted?**

*You may revoke a proxy given pursuant to this solicitation at any time prior to its exercise by:*

Delivering written notice to our Corporate Secretary at MasTec, Inc., 800 S. Douglas Road, 12th Floor, Coral Gables, Florida 33134;

Executing and delivering to our Corporate Secretary a proxy with a later date;

Attending the Annual Meeting and voting in person; or

Submitting a telephonic or electronic vote with a later date.

With respect to telephonic or electronic votes, the last vote transmitted will be the vote counted. Attendance at the Annual Meeting will not constitute revocation of a proxy submitted by telephone or electronic means.

**Will anyone contact me regarding the proposals described in this Proxy Statement?**

No arrangements or contracts have been made or entered with any solicitors as of the date of this Proxy Statement, but we reserve the right to engage solicitors if we deem them necessary. Such solicitations may be made by mail, telephone, facsimile, e-mail or personal interviews. In addition, we reserve the right to solicit proxies through our directors, officers and employees in person and by telephone or facsimile; however, these persons will not receive any additional compensation for any such solicitation efforts.

Brokerage firms, nominees, custodians and fiduciaries also may be requested to forward proxy materials to the beneficial owners of shares held by them as of the Record Date.

**Who has paid for this proxy solicitation?**

All expenses incurred about the solicitation of proxies, including the printing and mailing of this Proxy Statement should you request a printed copy of the proxy materials, will be borne by MasTec.

**How do I obtain a list of MasTec's shareholders?**

A list of MasTec's shareholders as of the Record Date will be available for inspection at our corporate headquarters located at 800 S. Douglas Road, 12th Floor, Coral Gables, Florida, 33134 during normal business hours during the 10-day period immediately prior to the Annual Meeting.

**How do I submit a proposal for the 2018 Annual Meeting?**

Under our bylaws, no business may be brought before an annual meeting unless it is specified in the notice of the meeting or is otherwise brought before an annual meeting by or at the direction of our Board or, in the case of business other than director nominations, by a shareholder entitled to vote who has delivered written notice as specified by our bylaws. Under our bylaws, we must receive any eligible proposal from an eligible shareholder intended to be presented at the 2018 Annual Meeting of Shareholders on or before November 27, 2017 for the proposal to be properly brought before that meeting. This same deadline also applies for any shareholder proposal to be eligible for inclusion in our Proxy Statement and proxy related to that meeting pursuant to SEC Rule 14a-8. Any notice regarding any shareholder proposal must include the information specified in Article I, Section 9 of our bylaws. If a shareholder fails to comply with Article I, Section 9 of our bylaws or notifies MasTec after November 27, 2017 of an intent to present any proposal at MasTec's 2018 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, irrespective of whether the shareholder is seeking to include the proposal in MasTec's Proxy Statement and proxy, the proposal will not be considered properly brought before the meeting. A copy of our bylaw requirements will be provided upon written request to: MasTec Legal Department, 800 S. Douglas Road, 12th Floor, Coral Gables, Florida 33134.

**PROPOSAL NO. 1: ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

The Board has nominated Ernst N. Csiszar, Julia L. Johnson and Jorge Mas to stand for election as Class I Directors to hold office until the 2020 Annual Meeting of Shareholders and until their respective successors are elected and qualified. The Class I director nominees are incumbent directors.

On September 28, 2016, the Board appointed Mr. C. Robert Campbell as a Class III Director to fill a vacancy in that Class. The terms of the current Class III Directors do not expire until MasTec's 2019 Annual Meeting of Shareholders; however, in accordance with our Amended and Restated Bylaws and the Florida Business

Corporation Act, Mr. Campbell's term expires at the Annual Meeting. The Board has nominated Mr. Campbell to stand for election as a Class III Director and to hold office until the expiration of the Class III term at the 2019 Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

The Board is composed of nine directors elected in three classes, with three Class I Directors, three Class II Directors and three Class III Directors. Except as otherwise provided by our Amended and Restated Bylaws and the Florida Business Corporation Act, directors in each class hold office for three-year terms. The terms of the classes are staggered so that the term of only one class terminates each year. The terms of the current Class I Directors expire at the Annual Meeting, the terms of the Class II Directors expire at the 2018 Annual Meeting of Shareholders and the terms of the Class III Directors expire at the 2019 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. If elected, the nominees for Class I Directors will serve until the 2020 Annual Meeting of Shareholders and Mr. Campbell will serve until the 2019 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. Additional background information regarding the nominees for election is provided below. MasTec has no reason to believe that any of these nominees will refuse or be unable to serve as a director if elected; however, if any of the nominees refuses or is unable to serve, each proxy that does not direct otherwise will be voted for a substitute nominee designated by the Board.

***The Board recommends that you vote FOR the election of each of the nominees named above. Unless otherwise indicated, all proxies will be voted FOR the election of each of the nominees named above for election as a Class I Director or as a Class III Director, as applicable.***

#### **Information as to Nominees and Other Directors**

##### ***Nominee for Class III Director***

*C. Robert Campbell*, 72, joined our Board in September 2016, when the Board of Directors appointed him as a Class III director to fill a vacancy in that Board Class. Mr. Campbell has over 30 years of senior financial management experience. From October 2004 to December 2013, Mr. Campbell was MasTec's Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. From 2002 to 2004, he was Executive Vice President and CFO for TIMCO Aviation Services, Inc. From 1998 to 2000, Mr. Campbell was the President and CEO of BAX Global, Inc. and from 1995 to 1998 Executive Vice President-Finance and CFO for Advantica Restaurant Group, Inc. From 1974 until 1995 Mr. Campbell held various senior management positions with Ryder System, Inc., including 10 years as Executive Vice President and CFO of its Vehicle Leasing and Services Division. Mr. Campbell, who is a Certified Public Accountant (inactive), has a Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Relations from the University of North Carolina, an MBA from Columbia University and a Master of Science in Accounting from Florida International University. Mr. Campbell currently serves as the Lead Director for Forward Air Corporation and he previously served as its Audit Committee Chairman and Compensation Committee Chairman. Mr. Campbell is a Director of the Pernix Group, Inc. where he serves as its Audit Committee Chairman and is a member of its Compensation Committee and has previously served as its Vice-Chairman of the Board of Directors. During 2015, Mr. Campbell was a non-officer employee of MasTec pursuant to an amended and restated employment agreement described in, and filed as an exhibit to, MasTec's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 24, 2014. Mr. Campbell brings to our Board his impressive experience in accounting, finance and executive leadership. In addition, Mr. Campbell brings unique knowledge of MasTec, our operations and our financial history and constituents.

##### ***Nominees for Class I Directors***

*Ernst N. Csiszar*, 66, joined our Board in October 2005. Mr. Csiszar is currently a private investor and serves on the Board of Directors of Ashmere Insurance Company as well as on the Board of Directors of American Integrity Insurance Company, a property and casualty insurance company. From September 2004 until his retirement in September 2006, Mr. Csiszar was the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Property

Casualty Insurers Association of America, the property and casualty insurance industry's principal trade association. Mr. Csiszar was the Director of Insurance for the State of South Carolina from February 1998 to August 2004 and served as President of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners in 2004. Mr. Csiszar also served as the President and Chief Executive Officer of Seibels Bruce Group, Inc., a property and casualty insurance company, from 1995 to 1998. He was also a visiting professor at the School of Business at the University of South Carolina and served as Managing Co-director of Holborn Holdings Corporation, a European investment banking firm. Mr. Csiszar brings to our Board his extensive experience in insurance and risk management, executive leadership and his advisory experience in financial matters.

*Julia L. Johnson*, 54, has been a member of our Board since February 2002. Since January 2001, Ms. Johnson has been the President of NetCommunications, L.L.C., a regulatory analysis and public policy consulting firm that specializes in the communications, energy, and information technology public policy arenas. Ms. Johnson served on the Florida Public Service Commission from January 1992 until November 1999, and served as chairwoman from January 1997 to January 1999. Ms. Johnson also chaired Florida's Information Service Technology Development Task Force, which advised then Florida Governor Jeb Bush on information technology policy and related legislative issues, from November 1999 to July 2001. Ms. Johnson also serves on the Board of Directors of each of First Energy Corp., NorthWestern Corporation and American Water Works Co., Inc. Ms. Johnson brings to our Board extensive knowledge with respect to the regulatory process and policy development in several of our industries, many years of service on the boards of several other public companies and a deep understanding of corporate governance.

*Jorge Mas*, 54, has been Chairman of our Board since January 1998 and a director since March 1994. From March 1994 to October 1999, Mr. Mas was our Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Mas has been Chairman of the Board of the Cuban American National Foundation, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation, since July 1999. Mr. Mas is the brother of José R. Mas, our Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Mas brings to our Board executive and management leadership experience, strategy, vision, considerable knowledge and understanding of our operations, challenges and opportunities, and markets, and a unique historical perspective as our longest serving Board member and having served in many capacities (including Chief Executive Officer) in his more than 30 years with us.

#### ***Class II Directors***

*José R. Mas*, 45, has been our Chief Executive Officer, referred to as the CEO, since April 2007 and has been a member of our Board since August 2001. From April 2007 to January 2010, Mr. Mas was also our President. Mr. Mas served as MasTec's Vice Chairman of the Board and Executive Vice President Business Development from August 2001 until March 2007. Mr. Mas started with MasTec in 1992, and from 1999 until 2001 he was head of MasTec's Communications Service Operation. Mr. Mas is the brother of Jorge Mas, our Chairman of the Board. Mr. Mas was appointed to the Board of Directors of Helmerich & Payne, Inc. on March 1, 2017. Mr. Mas brings to our Board executive leadership and vision, considerable knowledge of, and a unique perspective on, our business, strategy, development, opportunities, operations, people, competition and financial position.

*John Van Heuvelen*, 70, has been a member of our Board since June 2002. Mr. Van Heuvelen spent 13 years with Morgan Stanley and Dean Witter Reynolds in various executive positions in the mutual fund, unit investment trust and municipal bond divisions before serving as President of Morgan Stanley Dean Witter Trust Company from 1993 until 1999. Since 1999, Mr. Van Heuvelen has been a private investor based in Denver, Colorado. His investment activities have included investments in private telecom and technology firms, an area where he remains an active investor. In addition, Mr. Van Heuvelen was owner of a construction company for six years. Mr. Van Heuvelen currently serves on the Board of Directors of Hallador Energy Company and Orchid Island Capital Inc. and was a member of the Board of Directors of LifeVantage, Inc. from August 2005 through August 2007. Mr. Van Heuvelen brings to our Board extensive executive leadership and management experience, many years of serving on the boards of several other public and private companies, experience in our industries, significant experience with respect to capital markets, strategic planning, corporate finance and mergers and acquisitions and is considered an audit committee financial expert under applicable SEC rules.

*Javier Palomarez*, 56, has been a member of our Board since December 2015. Mr. Palomarez has been the President and Chief Executive Officer of the United States Hispanic Chamber of Commerce ( USHCC ) since 2009. The USHCC promotes the economic growth, development and interests of Hispanic-owned businesses, advocates on behalf of American corporations and serves as the umbrella organization for local chambers and business associations nationwide. Mr. Palomarez was appointed to the Comcast NBCUniversal Diversity Advisory Council, the Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses Advisory Board, and the National 4-H Council Board of Trustees. Mr. Palomarez is a member of the Washington Economic Club, and serves on the Senate Task Force on Corporate Diversity and Inclusion. He advises the Administration as part of President Trump's National Diversity Coalition, and was invited by Senator John McCain to serve on the board of the International Republican Institute (IRI). Mr. Palomarez also sits on the board of directors of the Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc. (CLINIC). Mr. Palomarez is the recipient of the Bnai Zion Humanitarian of the Year award, and, in 2014, Mr. Palomarez received an honorary Doctorate from Westminster College, Utah's premier liberal arts institution. In 2015 he was awarded the Distinguished Alumni Medallion from National 4-H Council and was recognized by the Government of Mexico with the Ohtli Award, the highest honor bestowed upon foreign citizens. Prior to joining the USHCC, Mr. Palomarez served in various executive capacities with Allstate Insurance Corporation, Sprint, Inc. and Bank of America. Mr. Palomarez brings to our Board significant experience in governmental and minority business affairs. In addition, he has significant knowledge of international affairs, particularly regarding Mexico and South America.

### ***Class III Directors***

*Robert J. Dwyer*, 73, joined our Board in October 2004. Mr. Dwyer retired in 1999 and is currently a private investor. Prior to 1999, Mr. Dwyer spent 17 years with Morgan Stanley and Dean Witter Reynolds in various executive positions. He currently serves as a director of Bimini Capital Management, Inc. and Mellon Optima L/S Strategy Fund, LLC and formerly served as a director of BNY/Ivy Multi-Strategy Hedge Fund, LLC. Mr. Dwyer has numerous charitable and civic interests and has served on boards of several public and private companies. Mr. Dwyer brings to our Board his executive leadership and management experience, many years of service on the boards of several other public and private companies and extensive experience with respect to corporate capital structures and capital markets, strategic planning, corporate finance and mergers and acquisitions, and is considered an audit committee financial expert under applicable SEC rules.

*José S. Sorzano*, 76, has been a member of our Board since October 1995. Mr. Sorzano has been Chairman of The Austin Group, Inc., an international corporate consulting firm, since 1989, and a member of the Board of Advisors of the Free Cuba Committee since 2000. Mr. Sorzano was Special Assistant to President Reagan for National Security Affairs from 1987 to 1988; Associate Professor of Government, Georgetown University, from 1969 to 1987; Ambassador and U.S. Deputy Permanent Representative to the United Nations from 1983 to 1985; and Chairman of the Board of Visitors, U.S. Army Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation from 2003 to 2006. Mr. Sorzano brings to our Board significant experience in governmental and international affairs, international business and a historical perspective on our growth and operations having served as a director since 1995.

## **OTHER INFORMATION REGARDING THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The Board, in the exercise of its reasonable business judgment, has determined that a majority of our directors qualify as independent directors pursuant to applicable NYSE and SEC rules and regulations. In making the determination of independence, the Board considered that no independent director has a material relationship with MasTec, either directly or as a partner or shareholder of an organization that has a relationship with MasTec, or any other relationships that, in the Board's judgment, would interfere with the director's independence. In arriving at this conclusion, our Board of Directors made the affirmative determination that Ernst N. Csiszar, Robert J. Dwyer, Julia L. Johnson, Javier Palomarez, José S. Sorzano and John Van Heuvelen meet the Board's previously adopted categorical standards for determining independence in accordance with the

NYSE's corporate governance rules. The Board of Directors determined that there were no transactions or relationships between each Director or any member of his or her immediate family and MasTec and its subsidiaries and affiliates except those transactions reported below under Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions Transactions with Related Persons. Our Board of Directors determined that each of these transactions and relationships was within the NYSE standards and our categorical standards and that none of the transactions or relationships affected the independence of the Director involved. Our adopted categorical standards for determining independence in accordance with the NYSE's corporate governance rules are contained in our corporate governance principles, a copy of which is available on our website at [www.mastec.com](http://www.mastec.com).

The Board holds executive sessions of the independent directors at every regularly scheduled Board meeting. The Board, with six directors deemed independent, maintains a percentage of independent directors serving on the Board substantially above the NYSE requirement that a majority of directors be independent.

John Van Heuvelen has been selected, by a majority vote of the independent directors, as the lead independent director to preside over all executive sessions of the independent directors. Mr. Van Heuvelen will serve as lead independent director until his successor is duly qualified at the next annual meeting of the Board or until his earlier resignation or removal. In this role, Mr. Van Heuvelen is responsible for facilitating communication between management and the Board. The independent directors meet separately in regularly scheduled executive sessions without management.

The Board is actively involved in the oversight of risks that could affect MasTec. The committees of the Board are primarily responsible for the oversight of risk as follows: the Audit Committee has oversight over accounting and control risks, as well as risk assessment and risk management; the Compensation Committee has oversight to ensure that our compensation and incentive plans do not encourage or incentivize risk taking; the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee oversees the independence of the Board, corporate ethics and governance risk; and the Finance and Mergers and Acquisitions Committee has oversight over financial policies, acquisition strategy and financial strategy. However, the full Board has retained responsibility for enterprise-wide risks and for the general oversight of risks. The Board satisfies this responsibility by receiving reports from the committee chairs, as well as regular reports received directly from officers of MasTec who are responsible for overseeing and monitoring risks. Risk related to our compensation policies is described in *Risk Considerations in Our Compensation Programs* on page 33 of this Proxy Statement.

The Board conducts its business through meetings of the full Board and through committees of the Board, including the Executive Committee, the Audit Committee, the Compensation Committee, the Finance and Mergers and Acquisitions Committee, and the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee. Ad hoc committees are formed as needed. The Board and its committees also act by written consent. During 2016, the Board met on five occasions. During 2016, each of the current directors attended at least 75% of the Board meetings and at least 75% of the meetings of each committee on which such director served.

MasTec separates the roles of CEO and Chairman of the Board in recognition of the differences between the two roles. The CEO is responsible for determining the strategic direction for MasTec and the day-to-day leadership and performance of MasTec. The principal responsibility of the Chairman of the Board is to serve as chief administrative liaison between our directors and our management and to monitor implementation of the Board's directives and actions.

The Executive Committee is currently composed of Jorge Mas, who currently serves as Chairman, Julia L. Johnson, Robert J. Dwyer and John Van Heuvelen. The principal function of the Executive Committee is to act for the Board when action is required between meetings of the full Board, subject to certain limitations specified by the Board and applicable law. The Executive Committee met on two occasions during 2016. The Board, in the exercise of its reasonable business judgment, has determined that each member of the Executive Committee, other than Mr. Mas, is independent under applicable NYSE and SEC rules and regulations.

The Finance and Mergers and Acquisitions Committee is currently composed of Robert J. Dwyer, who currently serves as Chairman, C. Robert Campbell, Julia L. Johnson and John Van Heuvelen, all of whom the Board, in the exercise of its reasonable business judgment, has determined are independent under applicable NYSE and SEC rules and regulations except Mr. Campbell. The Finance and Mergers and Acquisition Committee is charged with fulfilling the Board's responsibilities, within certain guidelines established by the Board, relating to the evaluation of MasTec's financing, merger, acquisition and disposition activities. The Finance and Mergers and Acquisitions Committee met one time during 2016.

The Audit Committee is currently composed of Robert J. Dwyer, who currently serves as Chairman, Ernst N. Csiszar and Julia L. Johnson. The Board, in the exercise of its reasonable business judgment, has determined that (i) Robert J. Dwyer and Ernst N. Csiszar each qualifies as an audit committee financial expert, (ii) each member of the Audit Committee is financially literate and (iii) each member of the Audit Committee is independent for audit committee purposes under applicable NYSE and SEC rules and regulations and internal controls. The Audit Committee assists the Board in overseeing MasTec's financial reporting and legal and regulatory compliance program and the qualifications and independence of MasTec's independent registered public accounting firm. The Audit Committee is also responsible for approving all audit and non-audit services provided by our independent registered public accounting firm, including the scope of such services and fees paid to our independent registered public accounting firm. The Board has adopted a charter that sets forth the responsibilities of the Audit Committee. During 2016, the Audit Committee met on eight occasions. Please refer to the section entitled *Audit Committee and Audit Related Information* for further information regarding the Audit Committee.

The Compensation Committee is currently composed of José S. Sorzano, who currently serves as Chairman, Ernst N. Csiszar and Robert J. Dwyer all of whom the Board, in the exercise of its reasonable business judgment, determined are independent under applicable NYSE and SEC rules and regulations. The Compensation Committee is charged with discharging the Board's responsibilities relating to compensation and evaluation of MasTec's executive officers, including establishing compensation policies and philosophies for MasTec and its executive officers and reviewing and approving corporate goals and objectives relevant to the CEO's compensation, as well as overseeing MasTec's incentive compensation plans and equity-based plans that are subject to Board approval, including overseeing the review of risk resulting from incentive compensation policies. The Compensation Committee has the power to create subcommittees with such powers as the Compensation Committee may from time to time confer to such subcommittees. During 2016, the Compensation Committee met on three occasions.

For a description of the role performed by executive officers and compensation consultants in determining or recommending the amount or form of executive and director compensation, see *Compensation Discussion and Analysis*. The Board has adopted a charter that sets forth the responsibilities of the Compensation Committee.

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee is currently composed of Julia L. Johnson, who currently serves as Chairwoman, Javier Palomarez, and Jose S. Sorzano. The Board, in the exercise of its reasonable business judgment, has determined all the members on the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee are independent under applicable NYSE and SEC rules and regulations. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee is responsible for developing qualifications for members of the Board, recommending to the Board candidates for election to the Board and evaluating the effectiveness and performance of the Board. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee also develops, implements and monitors MasTec's corporate governance principles and its code of business conduct and ethics; monitors and safeguards the Board's independence; and annually undertakes performance evaluations of the Board committees and the full Board. The Board has adopted a charter that sets forth the responsibilities of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee. During 2016, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee met on four occasions.

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee has no specific minimum qualifications for director candidates. In general, however, persons considered for membership on the Board must have demonstrated

leadership capabilities, be of sound mind and high moral character and be willing and able to commit the necessary time for Board and committee service. In evaluating potential candidates for service on the Board, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee will consider, consistent with its charter, the candidate's ability to satisfy the NYSE's and SEC's independence requirements and the candidate's ability to contribute to the effective oversight and management of MasTec. The Board has determined that the Board must have the right diversity, mix of characteristics and skills for the optimal functioning of the Board in its oversight of MasTec, considering the needs of MasTec, the individual's experience, perspective, skills and knowledge of the industry in which MasTec operates, and such other factors as the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee may, in its discretion, deem important to successful service as a director.

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee will consider candidates recommended by MasTec shareholders pursuant to written applications submitted to the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, c/o Corporate Secretary, MasTec, Inc., 800 S. Douglas Road, 12th Floor, Coral Gables, Florida 33134. The information required to be included in any such recommendation is set forth in our bylaws, and the general qualifications and specific qualities and skills established by the committee for directors are included in the Charter of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and our Corporate Governance Guidelines. No nominee recommendations were received by the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee from any shareholder or group of shareholders who beneficially own more than five percent of our common stock for the previous year's Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

Copies of our current Audit Committee, Compensation Committee and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee charters, as well as our Corporate Governance Guidelines, are available on MasTec's website located at [www.mastec.com](http://www.mastec.com) and are available in print to any shareholder who requests them at MasTec, Inc., Legal Department, 800 S. Douglas Road, 12th Floor, Coral Gables, Florida 33134. Our Internet website and the information contained therein or connected thereto are not incorporated into this Proxy Statement.

#### ***Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation***

In 2016, none of our executive officers or directors was a member of the board of directors of any other company where the relationship would be considered a compensation committee interlock under SEC rules.

#### **Other Corporate Governance Matters**

Interested parties who want to communicate with the Board as a whole, the lead independent director or any individual Board member, should mark their communications as "Communication to the MasTec, Inc. Board of Directors," address them to the Board, the lead independent director or a Board member, as the case may be, and direct them to MasTec's Vice President of Investor Relations at, MasTec, Inc., 800 S. Douglas Road, 12th Floor, Coral Gables, Florida 33134, or by email to [marc.lewis@mastec.com](mailto:marc.lewis@mastec.com). Communications to the non-management members of the Board should be marked clearly as such and should be directed to MasTec's Board Designee and mailed or emailed to the foregoing addresses. The Vice President of Investor Relations will forward all such communications directly to such Board members. Any such communications may be made on an anonymous and confidential basis.

MasTec does not have a policy requiring that our directors attend the Annual Meeting. All our directors attended our 2016 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. MasTec has adopted a code of business conduct and ethics, called the Code of Business Conduct and Ethics, that applies to all our directors, officers and employees and includes additional criteria that are applicable to our CEO and senior financial officers. The full text of the Code of Business Conduct and Ethics is available in the Investor section of MasTec's website at [www.mastec.com](http://www.mastec.com) under the tab "Corporate Governance" and is available in print to any shareholder who requests it. We intend to provide amendments or waivers to our Code of Business Conduct and Ethics for any of our directors and senior officers on our website within four business days after such amendment or waiver. The reference to our website address does not constitute incorporation by reference of the information contained on the website, and such information is not a part of this Proxy Statement.

MasTec has also adopted anti-hedging and anti-pledging policies, which are further described on page 20.

### EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

Our current executive officers are as follows:

| Name                | Age | Position                                                |
|---------------------|-----|---------------------------------------------------------|
| José R. Mas         | 45  | Chief Executive Officer and Director                    |
| Robert Apple        | 67  | Chief Operating Officer                                 |
| George Pita         | 55  | Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer    |
| Alberto de Cardenas | 48  | Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary |

Biographical information for Mr. José R. Mas can be found in the section entitled "Class II Directors" beginning on page 7.

*Robert Apple* has been our Chief Operating Officer, referred to as the COO, since December 2006. Previously, Mr. Apple served as group president for MasTec's energy service operations since 2005. From 2001 to 2004, Mr. Apple was a senior vice president at DIRECTV, where he was responsible for the installation and service network, warranty program, supply chain management and national dispatch support. From 1997 to 2001, Mr. Apple, while on assignment from Hughes Electronics/DIRECTV® Latin America to Telefonica S.A., served as Chief Operating Officer and Board member of Via Digital, a direct broadcast satellite company and Telefonica affiliate. From 1985 to 1996, Mr. Apple served in various capacities within the Hughes Electronics organization, including as Chief Executive Officer of Hughes Electronics-Spain, Vice President of Hughes Europe and as a program manager for a Hughes Electronics training and support systems group. Mr. Apple has been a member of Domtar Corporations Board of Directors since October 2012. He currently serves on their Audit Committee.

*George Pita* has been our Executive Vice President, referred to as EVP, and Chief Financial Officer, referred to as the CFO, since January 1, 2014. Mr. Pita joined MasTec in February 2013, as its Chief Financial Officer-Operations. From June 2007 until joining MasTec in 2013, Mr. Pita served as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Stuart Weitzman Holdings, a manufacturer, designer and retailer of fine women's footwear and accessories. From April 2002 until June 2007, Mr. Pita served in various capacities at Perry Ellis International, including as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer from 2004-2007. From 1989-2002, Mr. Pita served in a variety of financial and operations positions at Sunglass Hut International, including Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Pita earned his Bachelors in Business Administration and Accounting from the University of Miami in 1983 and has been a certified public accountant for approximately 30 years. Mr. Pita also serves or has served in various charitable and other capacities, including current appointments at the University of Miami Accounting school advisory board, as well as a board member of Easter Seals of South Florida. From 2008 to 2010, Mr. Pita served as a special advisor to Atlas Acquisition Holdings Corp., a special purpose acquisition corporation.

*Alberto de Cardenas* has been our EVP, General Counsel and Secretary responsible for all MasTec's corporate and operational legal matters and corporate secretary matters since November 2005. From March 2003 to November 2005, Mr. de Cardenas was Senior Vice President and General Counsel and from January 2003 through March 2003, Mr. de Cardenas was Vice President and Corporate General Counsel of Perry Ellis International, Inc. From September 1996 through December 2002, Mr. de Cardenas was a corporate and securities attorney at Broad and Cassel. From September 1990 to July 1993, Mr. de Cardenas was an accountant at Deloitte & Touche LLP.

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## COMPENSATION DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

### *A Message from the Compensation Committee*

Our compensation program's key objectives are to reward our executive team for its efforts and results, retain our best performing and successful team members and attract new talent that can help MasTec achieve its strategic and operating goals and increase the productivity, efficiency and quality of our operations.

We are fortunate to have a long-serving leadership team guiding our company in a shifting, complex and challenging business landscape. As we approach the 10-year anniversary of José Mas becoming our Chief Executive Officer, we look back on the tremendous progress MasTec has made, including expanding our annual revenue more than five times since 2006, diversifying our operations to capture major expansions in the demand for communications, oil and gas and energy related infrastructure, moving into Canada to capitalize on the development of its oil fields and positioning MasTec to benefit from emerging energy reforms in Mexico. Our executive team has achieved these results despite suffering through one of the worst economic downturns since the Great Depression, enormous volatility in the fuel and energy markets, significant and disruptive changes in technology and ongoing consolidation among our customers. We believe that our executive compensation program plays a critical role in retaining our leadership team members, rewarding them for achieving long-term improvement in our operating results, and aligning their interests with those of our shareholders.

In response to feedback from our shareholders over the last several years, we have made a number of changes to our compensation program. For example, this year, we adopted a recoupment (clawback) policy and a stock ownership policy, and are publicly committing not to include excise tax gross-up provisions in future employment agreements. We are also recommending to our shareholders that they vote this year for an annual frequency for our say-on-pay votes instead of a triennial vote. In prior years, we strengthened our anti-hedging and anti-pledging policies and implemented a majority vote policy for the election of our directors. We believe these changes strengthen the alignment between our management team and our shareholders.

In this compensation discussion and analysis, we present information about the compensation paid to our named executive officers (our NEOs or named executive officers) for 2016: José R. Mas, our Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Robert Apple, our COO, George Pita, our EVP and CFO, and Alberto de Cardenas, our EVP, General Counsel and Secretary. We have provided information regarding how our executive compensation program works and the decisions made about pay, as well as how those decisions were made. We believe that it is a key job to communicate to our shareholders about our compensation program and to help you understand the rationale for our compensation decisions to support our executive compensation program and to contribute to MasTec's success.

Finally, we appreciate your inclusion of MasTec in your investment portfolio and your support for our Company as we continually strive to meet our customers' demands and build long-term and sustainable value for our shareholders.

### *2016 Business Highlights*

MasTec's 2016 financial performance reflected improving market demand and the benefits of our strategic and operating initiatives to deliver improved operating results across all our key operating segments. In 2016 this resulted in:

Record revenues of \$5.1 Billion representing a \$926.4 million, or 22%, increase in organic growth from 2015.

Adjusted EBITDA\* of \$476.9 million, a \$169 million and a 55%, increase over 2015.

Net income of \$134.0 million, a \$213.7 million increase over 2015.

Diluted earnings per share of \$1.61, a \$2.59 increase over 2015.

Reduction in our book leverage<sup>\*\*</sup> to 2.1x from 3.3x at year-end 2015.

Year-end 18-month backlog of \$5.4 Billion.

Liquidity<sup>\*\*\*</sup> in excess of \$440 million at year-end (before the recent \$262.5 million expansion of our credit facility).

A closing 2016 market price on the NYSE of \$38.25 per share compared to \$17.38 at year-end 2015.

\* Adjusted EBITDA is a non-GAAP financial measure. For a description of the rationale for our presentation of Adjusted EBITDA and a reconciliation of net income to Adjusted EBITDA please see the disclosure under the captions "Non-U.S. GAAP Financial Measures" beginning on page 37 of our 2016 Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on February 24, 2017 (the "Non-GAAP Reconciliation").

\*\* Book leverage is defined as net debt divided by continuing operations adjusted EBITDA.

\*\*\* Liquidity is defined as cash plus availability on our senior credit facility.

#### ***Five Year Business Highlights***

MasTec has diversified our industry base while delivering an increase in annual revenue of approximately \$2.1 billion since 2011. Other accomplishments over the past five years include:

Shareholder return of 120.2%\*

Adjusted EBITDA<sup>\*\*</sup> of \$476.9 million grew 92% versus 2011.

Diluted earnings per share of \$1.61 grew 42% versus 2011.

2016 year-end 18-month Backlog of \$5.4 billion grew 75% versus 2011;

MasTec generated approximately 45% of its revenue from the Communications Segment in 2016, down from 58% in 2011.

\* Based on the closing price on the NYSE of a share of MasTec common stock at year-end 2011 and 2016 of \$17.37 and \$38.25, respectively.

\*\* Adjusted EBITDA is a non-GAAP financial measure. Please see the Non-GAAP Reconciliation.

#### ***2016 Governance Highlights***

Our compensation program has been designed to incorporate many best practices. Some of these practices include:

##### **Best Practices in Our Program**

Pay for performance  
Annual performance-based incentives paid partly in restricted stock

##### **Practices We Do Not Engage In**

No defined benefit pension plan  
No re-pricing of stock options (none issued since 2006)

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Three-year vesting period for equity performance-based awards

No excise tax gross-up provisions in post-2016 employment agreements

Caps on annual bonuses

Structuring annual bonuses to be fully tax-deductible

Modest perquisites

Use of independent compensation consultant to benchmark and analyze compensation metrics

Stock ownership guidelines for our CEO, other NEOs and independent directors

Anti-hedging and anti-pledging policies

A clawback policy for incentive compensation

### ***2016 Compensation Highlights***

Compensation decisions made for 2016 reflect both conservatism and our pay for performance philosophy:

None of our NEOs received base salary increases in 2016. Base salary increases were approved by the Compensation Committee in March 2017 for the first time since December 2014.

2016 annual incentive compensation recognizes record performance in revenue, a return to solid net income from continuing operations and continuing operations adjusted EBITDA, and improvement in our balance sheet metrics and liquidity.

A significant portion of 2016 annual incentive compensation was paid out in the form of restricted stock grants vesting over three years. This aligns executive incentive pay with long-term shareholder value because the ultimate realized value of the awards will depend on our financial performance and stock price when the restricted stock vests. Multi-year vesting schedules for restricted stock also encourage executive retention.

### ***What is Our General Philosophy Regarding Executive Pay?***

MasTec's objectives for its executive compensation program are to attract, motivate and retain a talented, entrepreneurial and innovative team of executive officers who will provide leadership for MasTec's success in dynamic and competitive markets. MasTec seeks to accomplish these objectives in a way that rewards both company and individual performance and aligns with our shareholders' long-term interests.

The compensation for the named executive officers consists of two primary elements: base salary and annual performance bonuses, the latter of which is paid partly in restricted stock. While we believe that our base salaries provide a fixed level of compensation necessary to attract and retain our executive officers, the greatest portion of their compensation is in the form of variable annual performance bonuses.

For 2016, 83% of our CEO's compensation was variable and an average of 77% of our other NEO's compensation was variable.

Our annual performance bonuses are paid partly in cash and partly in time-vested restricted stock to encourage executive retention and to encourage the creation of long-term value because the ultimate compensation realized by our executives will depend upon the vesting date value of the equity portion of the compensation.

As circumstances warrant, we occasionally make additional awards of restricted stock.

These elements are designed to reward corporate and individual performance and future share value appreciation in a simple and straightforward manner. MasTec's executive compensation program is also intended to promote and retain stability within the executive team.

When we set compensation amounts and select compensation components for our executive management, we strive to reward the achievement of both short-term and long-term results that promote earnings growth and stock appreciation. Overall, we intend that our compensation philosophy provides market-competitive base pay levels with meaningful incentive opportunity to promote strong performance. This compensation philosophy extends to all levels of our management.

Each named executive officer is a member of MasTec's executive team and must demonstrate exceptional personal performance to remain so. This team-based approach requires that MasTec consider the relative compensation levels among all executive team members to ensure that our compensation programs are applied consistently and equitably. To that end, each named executive officer must contribute as a member of the executive team to MasTec's overall success rather than focus solely on specific objectives within the officer's area of responsibility. Executive officers who underperform are either removed from the executive team with their compensation adjusted accordingly or dismissed.

We do not have specific policies for allocating between long-term and short-term compensation or between cash and non-cash compensation. Rather, the Compensation Committee maintains a balance of performance-based and retention-oriented pay for each executive, considering market data on the mix of pay but also using discretion in making its decisions.

#### *How Do We Determine Our Compensation Levels?*

##### *Discretion and Judgment of the Compensation Committee; Role of the CEO*

The Compensation Committee of our Board is responsible for assessing recommendations of pay and approving pay levels for our executive management. We target our compensation levels with the following goals in mind:

Market-competitive base pay.

Short-term and long-term incentive grants that appropriately reward past performance and future share-value appreciation, as well as create incentives for long-term growth and executive retention.

Levels of benefits and modest perquisites adequate to attract and retain talented and qualified executive officers.

The Compensation Committee determines all compensation for the CEO and the other named executive officers. The Company compiles information for the Committee's review. Then the Compensation Committee conducts an evaluation of each named executive officer to determine if changes in the officer's compensation are appropriate based on the considerations described herein.

At the Compensation Committee's request, the CEO provides input regarding the performance and appropriate compensation of the named executive officers other than himself. The CEO does not participate in the Compensation Committee's deliberations or decisions about his own compensation. The Compensation Committee gives considerable weight to the CEO's evaluation of the other named executive officers because of his direct and in-depth knowledge of each executive. The Compensation Committee reviews those recommendations for non-CEO executive compensation and then determines the compensation levels for all our named executive officers, considering the executive officer's role, performance, internal pay comparisons and available market data.

The Compensation Committee also administers our incentive compensation plans, including the MasTec, Inc. 2013 Incentive Compensation Plan, which we refer to as the ICP.

##### *The Role of Peer Companies and Benchmarking*

The Compensation Committee generally engages an independent compensation consultant to provide a peer group compensation study every two years. In 2016, the Compensation Committee engaged Meridian Compensation Partners, or Meridian, to help the Compensation Committee construct a peer group appropriate for market comparisons of compensation for our named executive officers and outside directors. Based on that report, the Compensation Committee selected a peer group as more fully described below and the Compensation Committee was provided with a competitive analysis of the compensation programs for our named executive officers against the compensation programs for the companies in the peer group, which analysis was reviewed by Meridian (the "Competitive Analysis"). As described below under "Compensation of Directors," the Compensation Committee has also been assisted by Meridian in benchmarking the compensation programs for our directors against the compensation programs for peer group companies. Meridian did not assist MasTec in adjusting compensation based on such analyses and did not attend any meetings of the Compensation Committee. The Compensation Committee, considering all relevant factors, including those set forth in applicable SEC and NYSE rules, is not aware of any conflict of interest that has been raised by the work performed by Meridian.

To assist the Compensation Committee in the preparation of the Competitive Analysis, Meridian compiled a potential peer group for its review consisting of comparable companies based on gross revenues, market capitalization and industry to MasTec. MasTec was slightly above the median of the peer group with respect to size and the Compensation Committee focused on the median of the data in establishing the peer group used for market comparisons. The peer group selected by the Compensation Committee consisted of the following 13 companies:

Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc.  
 AECOM Technology Corp.  
 KBR Inc.  
 McDermott International Inc.  
 EMCOR Group Inc.  
 Quanta Services Inc.  
 Chicago Bridge & Iron Co.  
 Tutor Perini Corp.  
 Granite Construction Inc.  
 Tetra Tech Inc.  
 Comfort Systems USA Inc.  
 Dycom Industries Inc.  
 Primoris Services Corp.

The Compensation Committee reviewed information in the Competitive Analysis regarding peer median executive compensation, our executive compensation in comparison to peers and total shareholder return at peer companies, and considered that information, among other things, when it determined total compensation levels generally consistent with the pay practices of peer group companies considering MasTec's performance relative to such companies.

The Compensation Committee did not, however, set compensation components to meet specific market benchmark percentiles to avoid compensation unrelated to the value delivered by the named executive officers or the performance of MasTec. At MasTec, annual incentive compensation awards are heavily based on prior year corporate and individual performance.

#### *Shareholder Engagement*

MasTec shareholders have had the opportunity since 2011 to cast an advisory vote on executive compensation (a say-on-pay proposal), every three years. At MasTec's 2014 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, 61% of the votes cast on the say-on-pay proposal were voted in favor of the proposal. Since 2014, MasTec has engaged with key shareholders as described in the table below. These engagements involved discussions of corporate governance and executive compensation as well as other issues important to our shareholders. At least one Board Member participated in most engagements with and without senior management involvement.

Including current executive officers and directors, MasTec has directly engaged the owners of approximately 41% of our shares in 2016, 50% of our shares in 2015 and 63% in 2014 to specifically discuss corporate governance and executive compensation.

| Shareholder Engagement |                                |                           |                         |
|------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Year                   | No. of Shareholders Contacted* | Approximate No. of Shares | Approximate % of Shares |
| 2016                   | 7                              | 17 million                | 21%                     |
| 2015                   | 11                             | 24 million                | 30%                     |
| 2014                   | 11                             | 29 million                | 33%                     |

\* Excludes current executive officers and directors.

*Compensation Committee actions taken due to Say on Pay vote and discussions with Shareholders*

Addition of stock ownership guidelines for our CEO and other named executive officers

Commitment not to include any excise tax gross-ups in future post 2016 employment agreements

Adoption of incentive compensation recoupment (clawback) policy

Enhanced anti-hedging policy

Enhanced anti-pledging policy

Implementation of a majority vote policy for the election of directors

Recommendation to change frequency of advisory Say on Pay votes to every year

***What Components of Compensation Do We Use?***

As noted, the primary components of executive compensation for MasTec are base salary and performance based annual bonuses paid partly in cash and partly in time-based restricted stock, as well as occasional additional awards of restricted stock. Each element is described in more detail below.

Decisions with respect to one element of compensation tend not to affect decisions regarding other elements.

***Salary***

Our objective for base salary is to provide our executive officers a minimum, fixed level of cash compensation commensurate with their positions and qualifications. Base salary is designed to reward core competence in the executive role. We choose to pay base salary because it is required for talent attraction and retention.

Salaries initially are negotiated and set forth in employment agreements with each of our executive officers and thereafter reviewed annually. Salaries consider the performance of the executive, market data adjusted for individual qualifications, job uniqueness and individual performance. MasTec has not entered into any new agreements with our named executive officers since 2014.

None of our executive officers received an increase in base salary in 2016 and Mr. José R. Mas base salary was unchanged since 2013. At its meeting on March 19, 2017, however, the Compensation Committee approved: an increase in Mr. Mas' annual base salary from \$980,000 to \$1,050,000; an increase in Mr. Apple's annual base salary from \$585,000 to \$625,000; an increase in Mr. Pita's annual base salary from \$450,000 to \$481,500; and an increase in Mr. de Cardenas' annual base salary from \$385,000 to \$412,000.

***Cash Bonuses and Equity Grants***

The objective of our annual incentive program is to reward executive officers for company and individual performance during the prior year. The plan is designed to reward contributions as a member of the executive team to MasTec's overall success rather than specific objectives solely within the officer's area of responsibility. For 2016, we chose to pay this performance based annual incentive compensation in the form of both cash and restricted stock that vests over a three-year period. As noted above, we believe that paying a significant portion of this incentive compensation in the form of time vesting restricted stock further incentivizes our management to build long-term value, aligns the interests of our management team with those of our shareholders and contributes to retention of our leadership team members.

*Annual Cash Bonuses*

All members of our executive management team are eligible to receive cash bonuses based upon performance. Each executive's employment agreement provides that he is entitled to receive an annual bonus of up to 100% of his base salary based upon performance. For 2016, these bonuses were determined and paid pursuant to the ICP.

*Executive Incentive Compensation Plan Bonuses*

The ICP provides for awards by the Compensation Committee of performance-based annual incentive compensation (among other forms of equity and non-equity incentive compensation). The ICP is designed so that incentive bonuses provided to our executive officers will qualify as fully tax-deductible performance-based compensation under Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, which we refer to as the Code. Executive officers eligible to receive an award under the ICP are selected by the Compensation Committee no later than 90 days following the start of each fiscal year, at which time the Compensation Committee also determines the maximum amount of the award opportunity

For 2016, the Compensation Committee determined that the maximum award payable under the annual incentive awards under the ICP for each executive officer would be the lesser of 2% of 2016 Consolidated EBITDA (as defined in the ICP) or \$10 million, if 2016 Consolidated EBITDA was not less than \$236 million. Consolidated EBITDA is generally calculated by taking MasTec's consolidated net income, determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and adding back any deductions for interest, depreciation, amortization, income taxes and certain other deductions and adjusting certain items of income or gain. The Compensation Committee further determined that based upon 2016 MasTec's Consolidated EBITDA of \$489.2 million, the maximum possible bonus under the ICP would be capped at 2% of that amount, or \$9.78 million. The Compensation Committee retains negative discretion, however, to reduce an executive officer's annual incentive award based upon its assessment of MasTec's actual performance and the executive's individual performance.

The Compensation Committee exercised its negative discretion to reduce bonuses for 2016 below the maximum award amount. In determining the final award amounts for each named executive officer for 2016 under the ICP, the Compensation Committee considered, among other things, MasTec's record revenue and earnings results compared to previous years and expectations. In addition, the Compensation Committee recognized how our executives managed our financial position and liquidity as reflected by our record cash flow from operating activities, improved working capital metrics, overall debt level reduction and improved book leverage and also considered the Competitive Analysis as described above. Accordingly, at its meeting on March 19, 2017, the Compensation Committee approved awards of restricted stock and cash under the ICP for 2016, as set forth in the table below.

|                                                         | Cash<br>\$ | Shares of<br>Restricted<br>Stock | Restricted<br>Stock Value<br>\$* | Total<br>\$ |
|---------------------------------------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|
| José R. Mas, CEO                                        | 2,940,000  | 50,450                           | 1,960,000                        | 4,900,000   |
| Robert Apple, COO                                       | 1,170,000  | 26,384                           | 1,025,000                        | 2,195,000   |
| George Pita, EVP and CFO                                | 900,000    | 20,270                           | 787,500                          | 1,687,500   |
| Alberto de Cardenas, EVP, General Counsel and Secretary | 500,000    | 12,227                           | 475,000                          | 975,000     |

\* The values of the shares of restricted stock were calculated based on the closing price of MasTec's Common Stock as reported on the NYSE on March 20, 2017 (\$38.85), in accordance with the definition of "Fair Market Value" under the ICP.

The restricted stock will vest on the third anniversary of the grants. See the Summary Compensation Table for details. As noted above, because the restricted stock is awarded based on performance, vesting is based solely upon continued employment over a significant period to align our executives' realizable compensation with long-term shareholder value and to promote executive retention.

*Other Equity Compensation*

We occasionally use other time-vesting restricted stock awards to further align executive officers' interests with those of our shareholders and to reward continued employment and actions that increase long-term shareholder value. We have not made such awards to named executive officers since 2013, however.

**Clawback Policy**

MasTec has adopted a clawback policy that permits us to seek to recover certain amounts of incentive compensation, including both cash and equity, paid to any executive officer (as defined in the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act)) on or after January 1, 2017, if payment of such compensation was based on the achievement of financial results that were subsequently the subject of a restatement of our financial statements due to fraud, and the executive engaged in improper conduct that materially contributed to the need for restatement, and a lower amount of incentive compensation would have been earned based on the restated financial results.

**Stock Ownership and Retention Policy**

The Compensation Committee has made clear that our non-employee, independent Directors and named executive officers should maintain a material personal financial stake in MasTec through the ownership of shares of our common stock to promote a long-term perspective in managing the enterprise and to align shareholder, director and executive interests. In March 2017, we added stock ownership and retention guidelines for our CEO and other named executive officers, in addition to already existing guidelines for our directors.

All named executive officers are required to own shares of MasTec common stock with a value of not less than a specified multiple of their base salary. The policy also requires them to retain 50% of net after-tax shares acquired during the year upon vesting (or exercise of stock options) unless his or her ownership level was satisfied as of the beginning of the year. These multiples were determined in accordance with current market practice. The chart below shows the multiple of base salary ownership requirements and actual ownership levels as of December 31, 2016:

| Name                                                    | Ownership Requirement | Ownership as of December 31, 2016 |
|---------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| José R. Mas, CEO                                        | 10 times base salary  | 220x                              |
| Robert Apple, COO                                       | 2 times base salary   | 14x                               |
| George Pita, EVP and CFO                                | 2 times base salary   | 10x                               |
| Alberto de Cardenas, EVP, General Counsel and Secretary | 2 times base salary   | 12x                               |

As the table above reflects, our NEOs have a significant investment in MasTec, which is a strong reflection of our culture and aligns with our compensation philosophy. The Compensation Committee periodically monitors such ownership.

Our Directors are also required to own at least \$250,000 of MasTec common stock at the end of each quarter, valued based on the average closing price of the Company's common stock on the NYSE during the 30 trading days preceding such quarter-end. New directors have a four-year exception period to meet such requirement.

Shares that count toward the ownership requirement are as follows:

Owned outright by the individual, spouse or dependent children

Held in trust for economic benefit of the individual, spouse or dependent children;

Held in the MasTec 401(k) plan or other Company-sponsored benefit plan; and

Restricted shares for which the underlying performance conditions, if any, have been met and only remain subject to time-based vesting requirements or any restricted shares/units only subject to time-based vesting requirements.

**Anti-Hedging and Anti-Pledging Policies**

MasTec has a policy prohibiting its directors, management, financial and other insiders from engaging in transactions in MasTec securities or derivatives of MasTec securities that might be considered hedging, or from



holding MasTec securities in margin accounts or pledging MasTec securities as collateral for a loan, unless such person demonstrates the financial capacity to repay the loan without resort to the pledged securities.

***Prohibition of Re-Pricing without Shareholder Approval***

The ICP contains a prohibition on the repricing of stock options without shareholder approval.

***Retirement Benefits***

The objective of our retirement benefits is to assist our employees with the accumulation of adequate financial assets for retirement. Retirement benefits reward employees for saving for their retirement and for their continued employment. We choose to provide retirement benefits to have a competitive retirement and benefit package in the marketplace.

***401(k) Plan***

We maintain a 401(k) plan for all employees who have completed at least 30 days of service. Our executive officers may participate in the 401(k) Plan. We make safe harbor matching contributions equal to 100% of the first 3% of compensation that each eligible participant elects to contribute to the 401(k) Plan in that year plus 50% of the amount of such participant's contributions more than 3% but not more than 5% of such participant's compensation. The matching contributions to the 401(k) Plan are paid 50% in cash and 50% in MasTec common stock.

The 401(k) Plan is intended to qualify under Sections 401(a) and 501(a) of the Code. As such, contributions to the 401(k) Plan and earnings on those contributions are not taxable to the employees until distributed from the 401(k) Plan, and all contributions are deductible by us when made. The 401(k) Plan also allows post-tax contributions. The amounts of our matching contributions for our named executive officers for 2016, 2015 and 2014 under the 401(k) Plan are included in the All Other Compensation column of the Summary Compensation Table on page 24.

***Deferred Compensation Plan***

In 2008, our Board adopted the MasTec Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation Plan. Certain management and highly compensated employees, including executive officers, are eligible to participate in the plan. The objective of this plan is to provide this group of employees with an opportunity on a voluntary basis to defer compensation without regard to the IRS limits imposed on our qualified 401(k) Plan. Under the plan, participants can defer up to 50% of their base salary and overtime and 100% of their bonus in any given year. We make discretionary matching contributions into the plan. The amount of the matching contribution is determined on an annual basis. No match was awarded in 2014, 2015 or 2016. Company matching contributions vest at a rate of one-third per year of service. An employee's elective contributions are 100% vested when contributed. Our Board or the Compensation Committee may in its sole discretion, but is not required to, credit a contribution to any participant's account under this plan. Such contributions may be smaller or larger than the amount credited to any other participant in any given year. No contributions were made in 2015 or 2016. Participants may obtain distributions from the plan only on termination of employment or for elected in-service distributions at which time the distribution will be fully taxable to the employee.

***Split Dollar Benefit***

We have split dollar agreements with Jorge Mas and José R. Mas to provide post-retirement life insurance coverage for them. The arrangements are designed to reward continued employment and have the effect of allowing the beneficiaries to use the proceeds to settle potential estate taxes. We choose to provide them because they are an efficient method of providing compensation with a high perceived value to the recipients and protection to the company on future large stock dispositions. For more information, see *Certain Relationships and Related Transactions* on page 38.

### ***Perquisites***

The Compensation Committee prefers to compensate our named executive officers in cash and equity rather than perquisites, in keeping with our philosophy that senior executive compensation should be variable with corporate performance. However, we do provide a limited number of perquisites to our named executive officers (a car lease or allowance to all named executive officers and a golf membership to George Pita) with the objective of attracting and retaining executive officers in a competitive marketplace. Perquisites are not designed to reward any particular executive behavior.

The total value of perquisites provided to the named executive officers during 2016 was a small fraction of each executive officer's total compensation. These amounts are included in the second to last column of the Summary Compensation Table on page 24 under "All Other Compensation" and related footnotes.

### ***Termination of Employment and Change in Control Agreements***

#### ***Employment Agreements***

We generally negotiate employment agreements with our named executive officers. The objective of these arrangements is to secure qualified executive officers for leadership positions in our organization as well as to protect our business and intellectual property by restrictive covenants, including non-competition covenants, contained in the agreements. As of March 27, 2017, we had employment agreements with all our named executive officers for their current positions. See *Employment and Other Agreements* below.

Our employment agreements provide for the payment of certain compensation and benefits in the event of a change in control of MasTec, as well as in the event of the termination of an executive's employment. The amount payable varies depending upon the reason for the payment. Providing for payments upon a change in control helps preserve MasTec's value by reducing any incentive for key executive officers to seek employment elsewhere if a change in control of MasTec is proposed or becomes likely. Moreover, on an ongoing basis, these arrangements help maintain the continuity of our management team, which we view as a driver of shareholder value. See *Potential Payments upon Change in Control and Termination of Employment as of December 31, 2016*, below for a description of these provisions and a calculation of the amounts that would be payable thereunder if a change in control of MasTec had occurred on December 31, 2016. Notwithstanding, the Compensation Committee has determined publicly to commit to not include change in control related excise tax gross-ups in future executive employment agreements.

#### ***Accounting for Share-Based Compensation***

Before granting stock-based compensation awards, the Compensation Committee considers the accounting impact of the award as structured and under various other scenarios to analyze the expected impact of the award.

**COMPENSATION COMMITTEE REPORT ON EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**

*The following report of the Compensation Committee does not constitute soliciting material and should not be deemed filed or incorporated by reference into any of MasTec's filings under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, referred to as the Securities Act, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, referred to as the Exchange Act, except to the extent that we specifically incorporate such report by reference.*

In fulfilling our role, we met and held discussions with MasTec's management and reviewed and discussed the Compensation Discussion and Analysis contained in this Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A. Based on the review and discussions with management and our business judgment, we recommended to the Board that the Compensation Discussion and Analysis be included in this Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A for filing with the SEC.

**Submitted by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors**

José Sorzano, Chairman

Ernst N. Csiszar

Robert J. Dwyer

**Summary Compensation Table**

The following table summarizes the compensation information for the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014 for our CEO, CFO and our other named executive officers as of the end of 2016. We refer to these persons as our named executive officers elsewhere in this Proxy Statement.

| Name & Principal Position                               | Year | Salary     | Stock Awards (1) | Non-Equity Incentive Plan compensation | All Other Compensation (2) | Total        |
|---------------------------------------------------------|------|------------|------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| José R. Mas, CEO                                        | 2016 | \$ 980,000 | \$ 1,960,000     | \$ 2,940,000                           | \$ 10,475                  | \$ 5,890,475 |
|                                                         | 2015 | \$ 980,000 | \$ 2,450,000     | \$ 490,000                             | \$ 18,282                  | \$ 3,938,282 |
|                                                         | 2014 | \$ 980,000 | \$ 2,450,000     | \$ 980,000                             | \$ 18,272                  | \$ 4,428,272 |
| Robert Apple, COO                                       | 2016 | \$ 585,000 | \$ 1,025,000     | \$ 1,170,000                           | \$ 34,270                  | \$ 2,814,270 |
|                                                         | 2015 | \$ 585,000 | \$ 789,750       | \$ 292,500                             | \$ 35,627                  | \$ 1,702,877 |
|                                                         | 2014 | \$ 526,385 | \$ 1,050,000     | \$ 525,000                             | \$ 35,427                  | \$ 2,136,812 |
| George Pita, EVP and CFO                                | 2016 | \$ 450,000 | \$ 787,500       | \$ 900,000                             | \$ 38,310                  | \$ 2,175,810 |
|                                                         | 2015 | \$ 450,000 | \$ 607,500       | \$ 225,000                             | \$ 38,941                  | \$ 1,321,441 |
|                                                         | 2014 | \$ 413,962 | \$ 830,000       | \$ 415,000                             | \$ 31,817                  | \$ 1,690,779 |
| Alberto de Cardenas, EVP, General Counsel and Secretary | 2016 | \$ 385,000 | \$ 475,000       | \$ 500,000                             | \$ 23,767                  | \$ 1,383,767 |
|                                                         | 2015 | \$ 385,000 | \$ 385,000       | \$ 192,500                             | \$ 27,193                  | \$ 989,693   |
|                                                         | 2014 | \$ 350,808 | \$ 700,000       | \$ 300,000                             | \$ 18,820                  | \$ 1,369,628 |

- (1) Amounts shown in this column represent the fair value of restricted stock awards as of date of grant computed in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718. Stock awards represent restricted stock awards issued in payment of a portion of annual incentive compensation. Each restricted stock award was valued at the closing market price of our common stock on the date of grant. For additional information regarding assumptions underlying the valuation of equity awards and the calculation method, please refer to Note 9 to our Consolidated Financial Statements, which are contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016.
- (2) All other compensation consists of the following:

| Name & Principal Position                               | Year | Car lease or car allowance | Matching Contributions to 401(k) Plan | Imputed benefit from Split Dollar Life Insurance Policy (2) | Golf Membership | Executive Long Term Disability (1) | Empl Awards (3) | Total     |
|---------------------------------------------------------|------|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| José R. Mas, CEO                                        | 2016 | \$ 8,893                   |                                       | \$ 125                                                      |                 | \$ 1,032                           | \$ 425          | \$ 10,475 |
| Robert Apple, COO                                       | 2016 | \$ 21,566                  | \$ 10,600                             |                                                             |                 | \$ 2,079                           | \$ 25           | \$ 34,270 |
| George Pita, EVP and CFO                                | 2016 | \$ 18,600                  | \$ 10,600                             |                                                             | \$ 7,193        | \$ 1,892                           | \$ 25           | \$ 38,310 |
| Alberto de Cardenas, EVP, General Counsel and Secretary | 2016 | \$ 12,000                  | \$ 10,600                             |                                                             |                 | \$ 1,142                           | \$ 25           | \$ 23,767 |

- (1) The amounts shown in this column include premiums for Executive Supplemental Long Term Disability for Messrs. Mas, Apple, Pita and de Cardenas for 2016.
- (2) The amounts shown in this column for Mr. Mas include imputed income with respect to a life insurance policy owned by MasTec on the life of José R. Mas. Pursuant to Mr. Mas' split dollar agreement, MasTec is entitled to recover out of the death benefit proceeds, all premiums it pays on the policies upon the death of the insured. The balance of the death benefit would be paid to the beneficiaries designated by Mr. Mas. See *Certain Relationships and Related Transactions* on page 38 for a description of the split dollar agreement that MasTec entered with Mr. Mas.
- (3) The amounts shown in this column include gift cards for employee anniversaries and holidays.



**Grants of Plan-Based Awards in 2016**

The following table provides additional information about the plan-based awards granted to the named executive officers for the year ended December 31, 2016.

| Name                                                    | Grant Date | All Other Stock Awards:<br>Number Shares of Stock or Units<br>(1) | Grant Date Fair Value of Stock Awards (2) |
|---------------------------------------------------------|------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
|                                                         |            |                                                                   |                                           |
| José R. Mas, CEO                                        | 3/19/2017  | 50,450                                                            | \$ 1,960,000                              |
| Robert Apple, COO                                       | 3/19/2017  | 26,384                                                            | \$ 1,025,000                              |
| George Pita, EVP and CFO                                | 3/19/2017  | 20,270                                                            | \$ 787,500                                |
| Alberto de Cardenas, EVP, General Counsel and Secretary | 3/19/2017  | 12,227                                                            | \$ 475,000                                |

(1) Represents shares of restricted stock granted under the ICP, which vest three years after the grant date.

(2) The grant date value of the restricted stock awards is based on the closing market price of \$38.85 for our common stock on March 20, 2017.

**Outstanding Equity Awards as of December 31, 2016**

The following table sets forth our outstanding equity awards as of December 31, 2016, for our named executive officers.\*

| Name                                                    | Date of Grant | Stock Awards                                            |                                                                   |
|---------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                         |               | Number of Shares or Units of Stock That Have Not Vested | Market Value of Shares of Units of Stock That Have Not Vested (1) |
| José R. Mas, CEO                                        | 3/16/2014     | 58,000(2)                                               | \$ 2,218,500                                                      |
|                                                         | 12/19/2014    | 115,457(3)                                              | \$ 4,416,230                                                      |
|                                                         | 12/18/2015    | 143,192(4)                                              | \$ 5,477,094                                                      |
| Robert Apple, COO                                       | 3/16/2014     | 16,000(2)                                               | \$ 612,000                                                        |
|                                                         | 12/19/2014    | 49,482(3)                                               | \$ 1,892,687                                                      |
|                                                         | 12/18/2015    | 46,158(4)                                               | \$ 1,765,544                                                      |
| George Pita, EVP and CFO                                | 3/16/2014     | 11,500(2)                                               | \$ 439,875                                                        |
|                                                         | 12/19/2014    | 39,114(3)                                               | \$ 1,496,111                                                      |
|                                                         | 12/18/2015    | 35,506(4)                                               | \$ 1,358,105                                                      |
| Alberto de Cardenas, EVP, General Counsel and Secretary | 3/16/2014     | 10,750(2)                                               | \$ 411,188                                                        |
|                                                         | 12/19/2014    | 32,988(3)                                               | \$ 1,261,791                                                      |
|                                                         | 12/18/2015    | 22,502(4)                                               | \$ 860,702                                                        |

\* The table excludes equity awards granted in 2017 for 2016 performance.

(1) The market value of the shares was calculated based upon the closing market price of our common stock of \$38.25 per share, as reported by the NYSE on December 30, 2016, the last trading day of 2016.

(2) Awarded on March 16, 2014 and vest on March 16, 2017.

(3) Awarded on December 19, 2014 and vest on December 19, 2017.

(4) Awarded on December 18, 2015 and vest on December 18, 2018.

**Options Exercised and Stock Vested in Fiscal Year 2016**

| Name                     | Option Awards                         |                            | Stock Awards                         |                           |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|
|                          | Number of Shares Acquired on Exercise | Value Realized on Exercise | Number of Shares Acquired on vesting | Value Realized on Vesting |
| Robert Apple, COO        | 100,000                               | \$ 1,076,679               |                                      |                           |
| George Pita, EVP and CFO |                                       |                            | 40,000                               | \$ 810,000                |

**Nonqualified Deferred Compensation**

The following table sets forth earnings under and aggregate balances of nonqualified defined contribution and other deferred compensation plans we maintain.

| Name                                                    | Executive Contributions in 2016 (1) | Aggregate Earnings in 2016 | Aggregate Balance at December 31, 2016 (2) |
|---------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Robert Apple, COO                                       |                                     | \$ 27,673                  | \$ 340,424                                 |
| Alberto de Cardenas, EVP, General Counsel and Secretary |                                     | \$ 1,406                   | \$ 33,391                                  |

- (1) No contributions were made to MasTec's non-qualified deferred compensation plans by or on behalf of named executive officers for 2016.  
(2) For Mr. Apple \$14,905 and for Mr. de Cardenas \$7,050 of these totals were previously reported as compensation in the Summary Compensation Tables of previous years.

See *Retirement Benefits Deferred Compensation* on page 21 for more information on our Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation Plan.

**Potential Payments upon Change in Control and Termination of Employment as of December 31, 2016**

Each of the named executive officers has an employment agreement with us that provides for us to make continued payments and provide certain benefits to the executive upon termination of employment with the Company.

Each of the employment agreements, as amended to the date of this Proxy Statement, for the named executive officers also provides for each of such named executive officers to receive certain payments in the event of a change in control, as follows:

*José R. Mas.* Mr. Mas would become entitled to receive a lump sum payment equal to one and a half times his base salary and average performance bonuses during the last three calendar years for which he was an employee, a gross-up payment if an excise tax is triggered, the immediate vesting of any previously unvested options and restricted stock and the continuation of benefits for the balance of the term of the agreement.

*Robert Apple.* Mr. Apple would become entitled to receive 12 monthly payments at an annual rate equal to one and a half times his base salary and average performance bonuses during the last three calendar years for which he was an employee, a gross-up payment if an excise tax is triggered, the immediate vesting of any previously unvested options and restricted stock and the continuation of benefits for the balance of the term of the agreement.

*George Pita.* Mr. Pita would be entitled to a lump sum payment equal to one and a half times his base salary and average performance bonuses during the last three calendar years for which he was an employee, the immediate vesting of any previously unvested options and restricted stock and the continuation of benefits for the balance of the term of the agreement. Under certain circumstances, the change in control payment would be reduced to avoid triggering an excise tax on such benefits.



*Alberto de Cardenas.* Mr. de Cardenas would become entitled to a lump sum payment equal to one and a half times his base salary and average performance bonuses during the last three calendar years for which he was an employee, the immediate vesting of any previously unvested options and restricted stock and the continuation of benefits for the balance of the term of the agreement. Under certain circumstances, the change in control payment would be reduced to avoid triggering an excise tax on such benefits.

For these purposes, Change in Control generally means:

*Acquisition by Person of Substantial Percentage.* The acquisition by a Person (including affiliates and associates of such Person, but excluding MasTec, any parent or subsidiary of MasTec or any employee benefit plan of MasTec) of a sufficient number of shares of the common stock, or securities convertible into the common stock, and whether through direct acquisition of shares or by merger, consolidation, share exchange, reclassification of securities or recapitalization of or involving MasTec or any parent or subsidiary of MasTec, to constitute the Person the actual or beneficial owner of 51% or more of the common stock;

*Disposition of Assets.* Any sale, lease, transfer, exchange, mortgage, pledge or other disposition, in one transaction or a series of transactions, of all or substantially all the assets of MasTec or of any subsidiary of MasTec to a Person described above, but, with regard to Robert Apple's, George Pita's and Alberto de Cardenas' employment agreements, only if such transaction occurs without approval or ratification by a majority of the members of the Board of Directors of MasTec; or

*Substantial Change of Board Members.* During any fiscal year of MasTec, individuals who at the beginning of such year constitute the Board cease for any reason to constitute at least a majority thereof, unless the election of each director who was not a director at the beginning of such period has been approved in advance by most of the directors in office at the beginning of the fiscal year.

For purposes of the definition of Change in Control, the terms affiliate, associate, parent and subsidiary shall have the respective meanings ascribed to such terms in Rule 12b-2 under the Exchange Act.

Each named executive officer's employment agreement also provides that such named executive officer would be entitled to receive certain payments if his employment was terminated as follows:

*José R. Mas.* Following termination of Mr. Mas' employment by us without cause (as defined in the agreement) or by Mr. Mas for good reason (as defined in the agreement), Mr. Mas would receive his base salary, an amount equal to the average of the performance bonuses (as defined in the agreement) he received during the last three calendar years and benefits from the date of termination over a period of 12 months and all unvested options and restricted stock would immediately vest. In the event Mr. Mas' employment is terminated by MasTec because of death or disability, then Mr. Mas or his estate would receive a lump sum amount equal to his base salary and the pro-rata portion of his annual performance bonus earned through the date of death or disability to which he would have been entitled for the year in which the death or disability occurred and all unvested options and restricted stock would immediately vest. In the event Mr. Mas' employment is terminated by us for cause (as defined in the agreement), Mr. Mas would receive his base salary through the date of termination and would forfeit any entitlement he may have to receive any performance bonus for the year in which employment terminates.

*Robert Apple.* Following termination of Mr. Apple's employment by us without cause (as defined in the agreement) or by Mr. Apple for good reason (as defined in the agreement), Mr. Apple would receive his base salary through the date of termination, an amount equal to the average of the performance bonuses he received during the last three calendar years and certain employee benefits set forth in the agreement from the date of termination over a period of 12 months. If Mr. Apple's employment is terminated by MasTec because of death or disability, then Mr. Apple or his estate would receive a lump sum amount equal to his base salary and any annual performance bonus earned

through the date of death or disability to which he would have been entitled for the year in which the death or disability occurred and all unvested options and restricted stock would immediately vest. In the event Mr. Apple's employment is terminated by us for cause (as defined in the agreement), Mr. Apple would receive his base salary through the date of termination and would forfeit any entitlement he may have to receive any performance bonus for the year in which employment terminates.

*George Pita.* Following termination of Mr. Pita's employment by us without cause (as defined in the agreement) or by Mr. Pita for good reason (as defined in the agreement), Mr. Pita would receive his base salary, an amount equal to the average of the performance bonuses he received during the last three calendar years and certain employee benefits set forth in the agreement from the date of termination for 12 months. If Mr. Pita's employment is terminated by MasTec because of death or disability, then Mr. Pita or his estate would receive a lump sum amount equal to his base salary and any annual performance bonus earned through the date of death or disability and all unvested options and restricted stock would immediately vest. In the event Mr. Pita's employment is terminated by us for cause (as defined in the agreement), Mr. Pita would receive his base salary through the date of termination and would forfeit any entitlement he may have to receive any performance bonus for the year in which employment terminates.

*Alberto de Cardenas.* Following termination of Mr. de Cardenas by us without cause (as defined in the agreement) or by Mr. de Cardenas for good reason (as defined in the agreement), Mr. de Cardenas would receive his base salary, an amount equal to the average of the performance bonuses he received during the last three calendar years and benefits over a period of 12 months from the date of termination. If Mr. de Cardenas' employment is terminated by us because of death or disability, then Mr. de Cardenas or his estate would receive a lump sum amount equal to his base salary and any annual performance bonus earned through the date of death or disability and all unvested options and restricted stock would immediately vest. In the event Mr. de Cardenas' employment is terminated by us for cause (as defined in the agreement), Mr. de Cardenas would receive his base salary through the date of termination and would forfeit any entitlement he may have to receive any performance bonus.

The following tables illustrate the payments and benefits that each named executive officer would have received under his employment agreement, as amended to the date of this Proxy Statement, if MasTec experienced a change in control on December 31, 2016 or his employment with MasTec had terminated on December 31, 2016 for any of the reasons described in the tables. The amounts presented in the tables are estimates and do not necessarily reflect the actual value of the payments and of the benefits that would be received by the named executive officers, which would only be known at the time that employment terminates or the change of control occurs, as applicable.

**Executive:** José R. Mas

| Executive Benefits upon Change in Control and Termination of Employment |               | Termination due to Disability | Termination due to Death | Termination by Company without Cause or Resignation with Good Reason | Change of Control |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Cash Severance</b>                                                   |               |                               |                          |                                                                      |                   |
| Base Salary                                                             |               |                               |                          | \$ 980,000                                                           | \$ 1,470,000      |
| Performance Bonus                                                       |               |                               |                          | \$ 3,756,667                                                         | \$ 5,635,000      |
| <i>Total Cash Severance</i>                                             |               |                               |                          | \$ 4,736,667                                                         | \$ 7,105,000      |
| <b>Long Term Incentives</b>                                             |               |                               |                          |                                                                      |                   |
| Value of Accelerated Stock Grants (1)                                   | \$ 12,111,824 | \$ 12,111,824                 | \$ 12,111,824            | \$ 12,111,824                                                        | \$ 12,111,824     |
| <b>Benefits &amp; Perquisites</b>                                       |               |                               |                          |                                                                      |                   |
| Health & Welfare Benefits                                               |               |                               |                          | \$ 10,093                                                            | \$ 10,093         |
| Company Car                                                             |               |                               |                          | \$ 8,893                                                             | \$ 8,893          |
| <i>Total Benefits &amp; Perquisites</i>                                 |               |                               |                          | \$ 18,986                                                            | \$ 18,986         |
| <b>Section 280G Tax Gross-Up (2)</b>                                    |               |                               |                          | \$                                                                   | \$                |
| <b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>                                                    | \$ 12,111,824 | \$ 12,111,824                 | \$ 16,867,477            | \$                                                                   | \$ 19,235,810     |

- (1) Represents the closing price on the NYSE for a share of MasTec's common stock on December 30, 2016, the last trading day of 2016 (\$38.25), multiplied by the number of restricted shares that would have been subject to accelerated vesting.
- (2) Mr. Mas is entitled to receive a tax gross-up payment to reimburse him for any excise tax to which he would be subject under Section 4999 of the Code with respect to any excess parachute payment that he receives from MasTec. Mr. Mas generally would not be considered to receive an excess parachute payment unless the payments made to him that are contingent on a change in control exceed three times the average of his W-2 compensation for the five years immediately prior to the year in which the change in control occurs. Thus, facts and circumstances at the time of any change in control, as well as changes in Mr. Mas' W-2 compensation history, could materially impact whether and to what extent any payment to Mr. Mas would result in an excess parachute payment and thus result in an excise tax.

Executive: Robert Apple

| Executive Benefits upon Change in     |                                     |                                | Termination by                                                    |                   |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Control and Termination of            | Termination<br>due to<br>Disability | Termination<br>due to<br>Death | Company<br>without Cause<br>or Resignation<br>with Good<br>Reason | Change of Control |
| Employment                            |                                     |                                |                                                                   |                   |
| Cash Severance                        |                                     |                                |                                                                   |                   |
| Base Salary                           |                                     |                                | \$ 585,000                                                        | \$ 877,500        |
| Performance Bonus                     |                                     |                                | \$ 1,617,417                                                      | \$ 2,426,125      |
| Total Cash Severance                  |                                     |                                | \$ 2,202,417                                                      | \$ 3,303,625      |
| Long Term Incentives                  |                                     |                                |                                                                   |                   |
| Value of Accelerated Stock Grants (1) | \$ 4,270,230                        | \$ 4,270,230                   | \$ 4,270,230                                                      | \$ 4,270,230      |
| Benefits & Perquisites                |                                     |                                |                                                                   |                   |
| Health & Welfare Benefits             |                                     |                                | \$ 8,852                                                          | \$ 8,852          |
| Company Car                           |                                     |                                | \$ 21,566                                                         | \$ 21,566         |
| Total Benefits & Perquisites          |                                     |                                | \$ 30,418                                                         | \$ 30,418         |
| Section 280G Tax Gross-Up (2)         |                                     |                                | \$                                                                | \$                |
|                                       |                                     |                                |                                                                   |                   |
| OVERALL TOTAL                         | \$ 4,270,230                        | \$ 4,270,230                   | \$ 6,503,065                                                      | \$ 7,604,273      |

- (1) Represents the closing price on the NYSE for a share of MasTec's common stock on December 30, 2016, the last trading day of 2016 (\$38.25), multiplied by the number of shares of restricted stock that would have been subject to accelerated vesting.
- (2) Mr. Apple is entitled to receive a tax gross-up payment to reimburse him for any excise tax to which he would be subject under Section 4999 of the Code with respect to any excess parachute payment that he receives from MasTec. Mr. Apple generally would not be considered to receive an excess parachute payment unless the payments made to him that are contingent on a change in control exceed three times the average of his W-2 compensation for the five years immediately prior to the year in which the change in control occurs. Thus, facts and circumstances at the time of any change in control, as well as changes in Mr. Apple's W-2 compensation history, could materially impact whether and to what extent any payment to Mr. Apple would result in an excess parachute payment and thus result in an excise tax.

**Executive:** George Pita

| Executive Benefits upon Change in     |                               |                          | Termination by Company without Cause or Resignation with Good Reason |                   |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Control and Termination of            | Termination due to Disability | Termination due to Death |                                                                      | Change of Control |
| Employment                            |                               |                          |                                                                      |                   |
| Cash Severance                        |                               |                          |                                                                      |                   |
| Base Salary                           |                               |                          | \$ 450,000                                                           | \$ 675,000        |
| Performance Bonus                     |                               |                          | \$ 1,255,000                                                         | \$ 1,882,500      |
| Total Cash Severance                  |                               |                          | \$ 1,705,000                                                         | \$ 2,557,500      |
| Long Term Incentives                  |                               |                          |                                                                      |                   |
| Value of Accelerated Stock Grants (1) | \$ 3,294,090                  | \$ 3,294,090             | \$ 3,294,090                                                         | \$ 3,294,090      |
| Benefits & Perquisites                |                               |                          |                                                                      |                   |
| Health & Welfare Benefits             |                               |                          | \$ 9,260                                                             | \$ 9,260          |
| Company Car                           |                               |                          | \$ 18,600                                                            | \$ 18,600         |
| Total Benefits & Perquisites          |                               |                          | \$ 27,860                                                            | \$ 27,860         |
| OVERALL TOTAL                         | \$ 3,294,090                  | \$ 3,294,090             | \$ 5,026,950                                                         | \$ 5,879,450      |

- (1) Represents the closing price on the NYSE for a share of MasTec's common stock on December 30, 2016, the last trading day of 2016 (\$38.25), multiplied by the number of shares of restricted stock that would have been subject to accelerated vesting.

**Executive:** Alberto de Cardenas

| Executive Benefits upon Change in     |                               |                          | Termination by                                        |                   |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Control and Termination of            | Termination due to Disability | Termination due to Death | Company without Cause or Resignation with Good Reason | Change of Control |
| Employment                            |                               |                          |                                                       |                   |
| Cash Severance                        |                               |                          |                                                       |                   |
| Base Salary                           |                               |                          | \$ 385,000                                            | \$ 577,500        |
| Performance Bonus                     |                               |                          | \$ 850,833                                            | \$ 1,276,250      |
| Total Cash Severance                  |                               |                          | \$ 1,235,833                                          | \$ 1,853,750      |
| Long Term Incentives                  |                               |                          |                                                       |                   |
| Value of Accelerated Stock Grants (1) | \$ 2,533,681                  | \$ 2,533,681             | \$ 2,533,681                                          | \$ 2,533,681      |
| Benefits & Perquisites                |                               |                          |                                                       |                   |
| Health & Welfare Benefits             |                               |                          | \$ 14,377                                             | \$ 14,377         |
| Company Car                           |                               |                          | \$ 12,000                                             | \$ 12,000         |
| Total Benefits & Perquisites          |                               |                          | \$ 26,377                                             | \$ 26,377         |
| OVERALL TOTAL                         | \$ 2,533,681                  | \$ 2,533,681             | \$ 3,795,891                                          | \$ 4,413,808      |

- (1) Represents the closing price on the NYSE for a share of MasTec's common stock on December 30, 2016, the last trading day of 2016 (\$38.25), multiplied by the number of shares of restricted stock that would have been subject to accelerated vesting.

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**Employment and Other Agreements*****Employment Agreements***

On April 18, 2007, MasTec entered an employment agreement with José R. Mas, MasTec's President and CEO, effective as of April 18, 2007, and amended on March 31, 2014. The term of the agreement continues until the agreement is terminated in accordance with the terms and provisions thereof. The agreement provides that Mr. Mas is to receive an annual salary, subject to Compensation Committee adjustment. Since 2012, Mr. Mas' salary has remained at \$980,000 but has been increased to \$1,050,000 effective March 19, 2017. The agreement also provides that Mr. Mas shall be eligible for annual performance bonuses of up to his base salary based on the achievement of goals established by the Compensation Committee of the Board. Pursuant to the terms of the agreement, Mr. Mas received 100,000 shares of MasTec's common stock, which vested on the fifth anniversary of the agreement. If Mr. Mas' employment is terminated other than for cause and he has not breached certain of his obligations set forth in the agreement, then his restricted stock and stock options that he currently has or may have in the future would continue to vest until they are fully vested, and all existing and future stock option grants will remain exercisable for the full term of the grant. The Agreement further provides for change of control and termination payments as described above in *Potential Payments upon Change in Control and Termination of Employment as of December 31, 2016*, on page 26. The agreement also contains confidentiality, non-competition and non-solicitation provisions, compliance with which is a condition to receipt of certain amounts or benefits payable under the agreements.

Effective January 1, 2010, MasTec entered an employment agreement with Robert Apple relating to his employment as COO, which agreement was amended on March 31, 2014. The agreement remains in effect until terminated and provides that Mr. Apple will be paid an annual salary, subject to Compensation Committee adjustment. Since 2014, Mr. Apple's salary has remained at \$585,000, but has been increased to \$625,000 effective March 19, 2017. The agreement also provides for annual performance bonuses of up to his base salary based on the achievement of goals established by our Compensation Committee, in its sole discretion. Pursuant to the terms of the agreement, Mr. Apple received 37,500 shares of MasTec's common stock, which vested on the third anniversary of the effective date of the agreement. If Mr. Apple's employment is terminated other than for cause and he has not breached certain of his obligations set forth in the agreement, then his restricted stock and stock options that he currently has or may have in the future would continue to vest until they are fully vested, and all existing and future stock option grants will remain exercisable for the full term of the grant. The Agreement further provides for change of control and termination payments as described above in *Potential Payments upon Change in Control and Termination of Employment as of December 31, 2016*, on page 26. The agreement also contains confidentiality, non-competition and non-solicitation provisions.

Effective January 23, 2014, MasTec entered an employment agreement with George Pita relating to his becoming, effective January 1, 2014, the Company's EVP and CFO, which agreement was amended as of March 31, 2014, and remains in effect until terminated and provides that Mr. Pita will be paid an annual base salary, subject to Compensation Committee adjustment. Since 2014, Mr. Pita's salary has remained at \$450,000 but has been increased to \$481,500 effective March 19, 2017. The agreement also provides for an annual performance bonus of up to his base salary based on the achievement of goals established by the Compensation Committee, in its sole discretion. If Mr. Pita's employment is terminated other than for cause and he has not breached certain of his obligations set forth in the agreement, then his restricted stock and stock options that he currently has or may have in the future would continue to vest until they are fully vested, and all existing and future stock option grants will remain exercisable for the full term of the grant. The agreement further provides for change of control and termination payments as described above in *Potential Payments upon Change in Control and Termination of Employment as of December 31, 2016*, on page 26. Under certain circumstances, the change in control payment would be reduced to avoid triggering an excise tax on such benefits. The agreement also contains confidentiality, non-competition and non-solicitation provisions.

Effective March 31, 2014, MasTec entered an employment agreement with Alberto de Cardenas relating to his employment as EVP, General Counsel and Secretary, which agreement replaced his 2008 employment

agreement. The agreement remains in force until terminated and provides that Mr. de Cardenas will be paid an annual salary, subject to Compensation Committee adjustment. Since 2014, Mr. de Cardenas' salary has remained at \$385,000, but has been increased to \$412,000 effective March 19, 2017. The agreement also provides for an annual performance bonus of up to his base salary based on the achievement of goals established by the Compensation Committee, in its sole discretion. If Mr. de Cardenas' employment is terminated other than for cause and he has not breached certain of his obligations set forth in the agreement, then his restricted stock and stock options that he currently has or may have in the future would continue to vest until they are fully vested, and all existing and future stock option grants will remain exercisable for the full term of the grant. The Agreement further provides for change of control and termination payments as described above in *Potential Payments upon Change in Control and Termination of Employment as of December 31, 2016*, on page 26. Under certain circumstances, the change in control payment would be reduced to avoid triggering an excise tax on such benefits. The agreement also contains confidentiality, non-competition and non-solicitation provisions.

### ***Risk Considerations in Our Compensation Programs***

MasTec has reviewed its compensation structures and policies as they pertain to risk and has determined that its compensation programs do not create or encourage the taking of risks that are reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on MasTec. Use of Consolidated EBITDA targets for senior executive bonuses ensures that compensation is based upon the overall performance of MasTec. Moreover, our equity grants typically provide for a three-year vesting period, which we believe encourages our executive officers to manage with the long-term success of MasTec as a key objective. Compensation for other personnel is closely monitored by our senior executive officers considering this long-term perspective.

### **Compensation of Directors**

#### ***2016 Director Compensation***

At the direction of the Board in 2014, the Compensation Committee retained Meridian to conduct a review of MasTec's independent director compensation. Meridian provided a competitive analysis of the compensation programs for our independent directors against the compensation programs of the same peer group described above under the caption *How Do We Determine Our Compensation Levels? The Role of Peer Companies and Benchmarking*. The review found MasTec's independent director compensation to be slightly below the median of the peer group. Based upon the growth of MasTec's business operations, increasing complexity of its industry operating environment and the historical growth of its financial results, the Compensation Committee recommended to the Board that the Board approve an increase in the independent director compensation to be between the 50<sup>th</sup> and 75<sup>th</sup> percentile of the peer group's independent director compensation. As approved by the Board, effective July 1, 2014, independent directors are paid a \$55,000 quarterly retainer. A minimum of 42% of the compensation must be taken in the form of common stock to be issued under the ICP, but directors may elect to take a greater portion of the quarterly fee in common stock equity. Shares will be valued at the last sale price of the common stock on the NYSE at the close of trading on the applicable quarterly payment date. Directors must make an initial election during an open trading window under MasTec's insider trading policy and can change such election during an open trading window. The remainder of the retainer, if any, will be taken in the form of cash. At the December 2016 Board Meeting, the Compensation Committee reviewed a report which analyzed the independent director compensation of the revised peer group as described above under the caption *How Do We Determine Our Compensation Levels? The Role of Peer Companies and Benchmarking*. The report found that current Board independent director compensation remains between the 50<sup>th</sup> and 75<sup>th</sup> percentile of such compensation of the peer group. Thus, no change in Board of Director compensation was recommended.

Our independent director compensation policy also provides that directors must own, at the end of each year, a minimum of \$250,000 in Company common stock valued based on the average closing price of the Company's common stock on the NYSE during the 30 trading days preceding such year-end. New directors have a four-year exception period to meet such requirement. See *Stock Ownership and Retention Policy* on page 20 for more information on our stock ownership and retention guidelines.

In addition, the Lead Independent Director receives an additional \$6,250 per quarter, the Audit Committee Chairperson receives an additional \$3,750 per quarter, the Compensation Committee Chairperson receives an additional \$2,500 per quarter and each of the Finance and Mergers and Acquisitions Committee Chairperson and Nominating Committee Chairperson receives an additional \$1,250 per quarter, payable in cash at the election of each person.

In 2012, the Compensation Committee approved a policy that permits the payment of additional compensation to independent directors for special projects which may arise from time to time. Special projects may arise to take advantage of investment or financing opportunities and may require significant additional time from independent board members. The Compensation Committee determined that any of these fees will be specifically approved on a project by project basis. MasTec had no such projects in 2016.

Directors are reimbursed for their reasonable expenses incurred to attend Board and committee meetings and in their performance of director duties. Option and stock awards granted to our independent directors are governed by the ICP. The Compensation Committee, which administers the ICP, may also make discretionary grants of stock options and stock awards to non-employee directors. No stock option awards were granted to our directors in 2016.

Effective January 1, 2006, we adopted a Deferred Fee Plan. Under the terms of the Deferred Fee Plan, directors may elect to defer the receipt of cash and stock fees for their services as directors. Each director may elect the type and percentage of fees to be deferred. Deferred cash fees may be directed to a deferred cash account or a deferred stock account (or both). Deferred stock fees may only be directed to a deferred stock account. Elections to defer fees remain in force unless amended or revoked within the required time periods. The deferred cash account will be credited with interest on the cash balance at the end of each calendar quarter. The interest rate is equal to the rate of interest payable by us on our revolving credit facility, as determined as of the first day of each calendar quarter. The deferred stock account will be credited with stock dividends (or with cash dividends that are converted to deferred stock credits pursuant to the plan). Distribution of a director's cash and stock accounts will begin on January 15 of the year following the director's termination of all services with us or, in the case of a change of control (as defined in the Deferred Fee Plan), in a lump sum as soon as practicable following such change of control. Distributions from the deferred cash account will be made in cash and distributions from the deferred stock account will be made in shares of MasTec's common stock. Distributions will either be made in a lump-sum payment or in up to five consecutive installments as elected by the director. The Deferred Fee Plan was amended and restated, effective as of January 1, 2009, to comply with Section 409A of the Code and to make certain other desired changes.

The following table sets forth a summary of the compensation we paid to our directors who are not named executive officers for services rendered in 2016.

| Name                 | Fees Earned or<br>Paid in Cash (1) | Stock<br>Awards (2) | All Other<br>Compensation<br>(3) | Total (\$) |
|----------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|------------|
| Jorge Mas            |                                    |                     | \$ 10,377                        | \$ 10,377  |
| C. Robert Campbell   | \$ 31,881                          | \$ 23,119           |                                  | \$ 55,000  |
| Ernst N. Csiszar     | \$ 127,510                         | \$ 92,490           |                                  | \$ 220,000 |
| Robert J. Dwyer      | \$ 83,751                          | \$ 156,249          |                                  | \$ 240,000 |
| Frank E. Jaumot      | \$ 51,482                          | \$ 37,348           |                                  | \$ 88,830  |
| Julia L. Johnson (4) | \$ 132,540                         | \$ 92,460           |                                  | \$ 225,000 |
| Javier Palomarez     | \$ 109,911                         | \$ 110,089          |                                  | \$ 220,000 |
| José S. Sorzano      | \$ 137,510                         | \$ 92,490           |                                  | \$ 230,000 |
| John Van Heuvelen    | \$ 152,540                         | \$ 92,460           |                                  | \$ 245,000 |

- (1) This column reports the amount of compensation earned for Board and committee service elected to be received in cash.
  - (2) This column represents the amount of compensation earned for Board and committee service elected to be received in stock. Amounts shown in this column represent the fair value of the awards as of date of issuance computed in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718. Each restricted stock award was valued at the closing market price of our common stock on the date of grant. For additional information regarding assumptions underlying the valuation of equity awards and the calculation method, please refer to Note 9 in our Consolidated Financial Statements, which are contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016.
  - (3) Includes imputed income of \$981 for life insurance policies on the lives of Mr. and Mrs. Jorge Mas that are owned by MasTec and are subject to a split dollar arrangement. Also, includes medical insurance benefits of \$9,396. *See Certain Relationships and Related Transactions* on page 38 for a description of the split-dollar agreement that MasTec entered with Mr. Jorge Mas.
  - (4) Ms. Johnson participates in the Deferred Fee Plan as detailed on page 34.
- As of December 31, 2016, there were no unvested stock awards or stock option awards for directors, who are not named executive officers.

## SECURITY OWNERSHIP

### *Principal Shareholders*

The following table provides information concerning the beneficial ownership of our common stock, as of March 10, 2017, by:

Each shareholder who is known to beneficially own more than 5% of the outstanding shares of our common stock;

Each of our current directors and nominees for director;

Each of our named executive officers; and

All our directors and executive officers as a group.

Beneficial ownership is determined in accordance with the rules of the SEC. Except as indicated by footnote and subject to community property laws where applicable, to our knowledge, the persons named in the table below have sole voting and investment power with respect to all shares of common stock shown as beneficially owned by them. In computing the number of shares beneficially owned by a person and the percentage ownership of that person, shares of common stock subject to options and warrants held by such person that are exercisable as of March 10, 2017, or that will become exercisable within 60 days thereafter are deemed outstanding for purposes of such person's percentage ownership but not deemed outstanding for purposes of computing the percentage ownership of any other person. Unless otherwise indicated, the mailing address of everyone is c/o MasTec, Inc., 800 S. Douglas Road, 12th Floor, Coral Gables, Florida 33134. The following information is based upon information provided to us or filed with the SEC by the shareholders.

| Name                                                                                  | Common Stock<br>Beneficially Owned |                                                  |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
|                                                                                       | Number of<br>Shares (1)            | Percentage of<br>Common Stock<br>Outstanding (2) |
| Jorge Mas (3)<br><i>Chairman of the Board</i>                                         | 10,869,100                         | 13.2                                             |
| José R. Mas (4)<br><i>Chief Executive Officer and Director</i>                        | 5,638,432                          | 6.8                                              |
| Ernst N. Csiszar<br><i>Director</i>                                                   | 24,747                             | *                                                |
| Robert J. Dwyer<br><i>Director</i>                                                    | 29,419                             | *                                                |
| Julia L. Johnson<br><i>Director</i>                                                   | 94,863                             | *                                                |
| José S. Sorzano<br><i>Director</i>                                                    | 39,537                             | *                                                |
| John Van Heuvelen<br><i>Director</i>                                                  | 70,413                             | *                                                |
| Javier Palomarez<br><i>Director</i>                                                   | 4,269                              | *                                                |
| Robert Campbell<br><i>Director</i>                                                    | 83,298                             | *                                                |
| Robert Apple<br><i>Chief Operating Officer</i>                                        | 219,755                            | *                                                |
| George Pita<br><i>Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer</i>            | 121,947                            | *                                                |
| Alberto de Cardenas<br><i>Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary</i> | 121,013                            | *                                                |
| All current executive officers and directors as a group (12 persons) (5)              | 16,766,792                         | 20.3                                             |
| The Vanguard Group (6)                                                                | 6,140,582                          | 7.4                                              |
| Dimensional Fund Advisors LP (7)                                                      | 5,363,249                          | 6.5                                              |
| William F. Harnisch (8)                                                               | 5,282,946                          | 6.4                                              |
| Peconic Partners LLC (9)                                                              | 4,788,946                          | 5.8                                              |
| BlackRock, Inc. (10)                                                                  | 4,761,995                          | 5.8                                              |

\* Less than 1%

- (1) Includes shares of unvested restricted stock, but as to which the owner presently has the right to vote and the right to receive dividends, as follows: José R. Mas, 316,649 shares; Robert Apple, 111,640 shares; George Pita, 86,120 shares; and Alberto de Cardenas, 66,240 shares.
- (2) The percentages reported in this column are based on 82,615,513 shares of our common stock outstanding as of March 10, 2017.
- (3) Includes: (i) 9,925,400 shares of common stock owned by Jorge Mas Holdings I, LLC, a Florida limited liability company ( JM Holdings I ), which is controlled by Jorge Mas Holdings, LLC, a Florida limited liability company, of which Jorge Mas is the sole member; (ii) 425,000 shares of common stock owned by the Jose Mas Irrevocable Trust (the JR Trust ), of which Jorge Mas is a trustee; (iii) 276,000 shares of common stock owned by Mas Equity Partners III, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ( Mas Partners III ), in which Mas Equity Partners, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, is a member and of which Jorge Mas is the sole member; (iv) 125,000 shares owned by the Mas Family Foundation, Inc. (the Family Foundation ), a Florida not-for-profit corporation, of which Jorge Mas is the president and member of the Board of Directors; and (v) 117,700 shares of common stock owned individually by Jorge Mas. Jorge Mas disclaims beneficial ownership of all shares of common stock held by the JR Trust, Mas Partners III and the Family Foundation, except, in each case, to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

- (4) Includes: (i) 2,951,077 shares owned by Jose Mas individually; (ii) 1,212,414 shares owned by Jose Ramon Mas Holdings I, LLC, a Florida limited liability company ( JRM Holdings I ), which is controlled by Jose Ramon Mas Holdings, LLC, a Florida limited liability company, of which Jose Mas is the sole member; (iii) 648,941 shares owned by the Jorge Mas Irrevocable Trust (the JM Trust ), of which Jose Mas is a trustee; (iv) 425,000 shares owned by the JR Trust, of which Patricia Mas, the wife of Jose Mas, is a trustee; (v) 276,000 shares owned by Mas Partners III, in which Jose Mas is a member; and (vi) 125,000 shares owned by the Family Foundation, of which Jose Mas is the secretary and a member of the Board of Directors. Jose Mas disclaims beneficial ownership of all shares of common stock held by the JM Trust, the JR Trust and the Family Foundation, except, in each case, to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- (5) The amounts above for Jorge Mas and José Mas both include shares owned of record by the José Mas Irrevocable Trust and by the Mas Family Foundation, Inc. This total only includes those shares once.
- (6) The Vanguard Group possesses sole voting power with respect to 131,677 shares and shared voting power with respect to 9,287 shares and possesses sole dispositive power with respect to 6,002,983 shares and shared dispositive power with respect to 137,599 shares. The Vanguard Group's address is 100 Vanguard Blvd., Malvern, PA 19355. All information derived from The Vanguard Group Schedule 13G/A filed with the SEC on February 10, 2017.
- (7) Dimensional Fund Advisors LP possesses sole voting power with respect to 5,261,497 shares and possesses sole dispositive power with respect to 5,363,249 shares, and its address is Building One, 6300 Bee Cave Road, Austin, Texas 78746. All information was derived from Dimensional Fund Advisors LP Schedule 13G filed with the SEC on February 9, 2017.
- (8) William F. Harnisch possesses shared voting and dispositive power with respect to 4,788,946 shares and possesses sole voting and dispositive power with respect to 494,000 shares. Mr. Harnisch is President and CEO of Peconic Partners LLC ( Peconic ), and his address is P.O. Box 3002, 506 Montauk Highway, East Quogue, New York 11942. All information derived from Peconic's Schedule 13G/A filed with the SEC on February 14, 2017 (the Peconic 13G ).
- (9) Peconic shares voting and dispositive power with respect to 4,788,946 shares, and its address is P.O. Box 3002, 506 Montauk Highway, East Quogue, New York 11942. All information derived from the Peconic 13G.
- (10) Shares are held by BlackRock (Netherlands) B.V., BlackRock Advisors, LLC, BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited, BlackRock Asset Management Ireland Limited, BlackRock Asset Management Schweiz AG, BlackRock Financial Management, Inc., BlackRock Fund Advisors, BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, N.A., BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited, BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Ltd, BlackRock Investment Management, LLC, BlackRock Japan Co Ltd and BlackRock Life Limited, each of which is a subsidiary of BlackRock, Inc. BlackRock, Inc., possesses sole voting power with respect to 4,577,282 shares and sole dispositive power with respect to 4,761,995 shares, and its address is 55 East 52<sup>nd</sup> Street, New York, NY 10055. All information was derived from BlackRock Inc. Schedule 13G filed with the SEC on January 30, 2017.

***Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance***

Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act and regulations of the SEC thereunder require that MasTec's directors, executive officers and persons who own more than 10% of MasTec's common stock file initial reports of their ownership of MasTec's common stock and subsequent reports of changes in such ownership with the SEC. Directors, executive officers and persons owning more than 10% of MasTec's common stock are required by SEC regulations to file with the SEC and the NYSE reports of their respective ownership of common stock and to furnish MasTec with copies of all Section 16(a) reports they file. Based solely on a review of the copies of such reports received and written representations from our directors and executive officers, MasTec believes that during the year ended December 31, 2016, directors, executive officers and owners of more than 10% of the common stock timely complied with all applicable filing requirements under Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act.

**CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND  
RELATED TRANSACTIONS**

*Review and Approval of Related Person Transactions*

The Audit Committee Charter requires that the Audit Committee review and approve all transactions identified in Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K, in which we are a participant and in which a related person has or will have a direct or indirect material interest. In March 2007, the Audit Committee formally adopted written standards to apply when it reviews, approves or ratifies any such related party transaction. These standards provide that: (i) all related party transactions must be fair and reasonable to us at the time they are authorized by the Audit Committee; and (ii) all related party transactions must be authorized, approved or ratified by the affirmative vote of most the members of the Audit Committee who have no interest, either directly or indirectly, in any such related party transaction.

For the year ended December 31, 2016, MasTec paid Cross Country Pipeline Supply, Inc. (CCP), an entity in which the Company has a cost method investment, approximately \$24.5 million, net of rebates of approximately \$0.4 million, for equipment supplies, rentals, leases and servicing. Juan Carlos Mas, who is the brother of Jorge Mas, Chairman of MasTec's Board of Directors, and José R. Mas, MasTec's Chief Executive Officer, serves as the chairman of CCP. Additionally, an entity owned by Jorge, José and Juan Carlos Mas is a minority shareholder of CCP. For the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014, MasTec paid CCP approximately \$10.6 million and \$6.3 million, respectively. As of December 31, 2016, and 2015, related payables totaled approximately \$1.5 million and \$0.6 million, respectively.

MasTec entered into a subcontracting arrangement in the first quarter of 2016 for the performance of construction services with an entity, the minority owners of which include an entity controlled by Jorge Mas, MasTec's Chairman of the Board of Directors, and José R. Mas, MasTec's Chief Executive Officer, along with two members of the management of a subsidiary of the Company. For the year ended December 31, 2016, MasTec incurred \$12.9 million of expenses under this subcontracting arrangement and sold equipment totaling \$0.3 million to this entity. As of December 31, 2016, related amounts payable totaled \$0.1 million.

MasTec leases employees to a customer in which Jorge Mas and José R. Mas own a majority interest. For each of the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015, MasTec charged approximately \$0.8 million to this customer, and in 2014, charged approximately \$0.7 million to this customer. As of December 31, 2016, and 2015, outstanding receivables from employee leasing arrangements with this customer totaled \$0.2 million and \$0.1 million, respectively. The Company also provides satellite communication services to this customer. For each of the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015, revenue from satellite communication services provided to this customer totaled approximately \$0.9 million, and in 2014, totaled approximately \$1.0 million. As of December 31, 2016, and 2015, receivables totaled approximately \$0.4 million and \$0.3 million, respectively.

MasTec leases a property located in Florida from Irma S. Mas, the mother of Jorge Mas and José R. Mas. For each of the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014, lease payments associated with this property totaled approximately \$48,000.

The Company entered a leasing arrangement in 2015 with a third party that leases an aircraft from a Company owned by Jorge Mas. For the year ended December 31, 2016, the Company paid \$2.6 million under this leasing arrangement, and in 2015, payments under this arrangement were de minimis. As of December 31, 2016, related amounts payable were de minimis.

*Split Dollar Agreements*

MasTec has a split dollar agreement with Jorge Mas, under which MasTec is the sole owner of the policies subject to the agreement. The Company makes the premium payments under each of the policies. Upon the death

of Jorge Mas or the survivor of Jorge Mas and his wife (collectively, the Jorge Mas insureds ) under the applicable policy, MasTec is entitled to receive a portion of the death benefit under the policy equal to the greater of (i) premiums paid by the Company on the policy and (ii) the then cash value of the policy (excluding surrender charges or other similar charges or reductions) immediately before the triggering death. The balance of the death benefit is payable to the Jorge Mas Trust or other beneficiary designated by the trustees. In the event of the Company's bankruptcy or dissolution, the Jorge Mas trust shall have the assignable option to purchase the policies subject to the split dollar agreement from the Company. The purchase price for each policy shall be the greater of either the total premiums paid by the Company for the policy, or the then cash value of the policy, excluding surrender charges or other similar charges or reductions. The total maximum face amount of the insurance policies subject to the split dollar agreement is capped at \$200 million. The Company is designated as the named fiduciary under the split dollar agreement, and the policy may not be surrendered without the express written consent of the Jorge Mas Trust.

MasTec also has a split dollar agreement with José R. Mas, under which MasTec is the sole owner of each of the policies subject to the agreement. The Company makes the premium payments under each of the policies. Upon the death of José R. Mas or the survivor of José R. Mas and his wife (collectively, the José R. Mas insureds ) under the applicable policy, MasTec is entitled to receive a portion of the death benefit under the policy equal to the greater of (i) premiums paid by the Company on the policy and (ii) the then cash value of the policy (excluding surrender charges or other similar charges or reductions) immediately before the triggering death. The balance of the death benefit is payable to the Jose Mas Trust or other beneficiary designated by the trustees. In the event of the Company's bankruptcy or dissolution, the Jose Mas Trust shall have the assignable option to purchase the policies subject to the split dollar agreement from the Company. The purchase price for each policy shall be the greater of either the total premiums paid by the Company for the policy, or the then cash value of the policy, excluding surrender charges or other similar charges or reductions. The total maximum face amount of the insurance policies subject to the split dollar agreement is capped at \$75 million. The Company is designated as the named fiduciary under the split dollar agreement, and the policy may not be surrendered without the express written consent of the Jose Mas Trust.

In connection with the split dollar agreement for Jorge Mas, the Company paid approximately \$1.1 million in each of the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014. In connection with the split dollar agreement for José R. Mas, the Company paid approximately \$0.7 million in each of the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015, and for the year ended December 31, 2014, the Company received \$0.1 million of proceeds from policies surrendered, net of premiums paid. As of December 31, 2016, and 2015, life insurance assets associated with these agreements totaled \$14.8 million and \$13.0 million, respectively, which were included within other long-term assets.

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**AUDIT COMMITTEE AND AUDIT RELATED INFORMATION**

***Audit Committee Report***

*The following report of the Audit Committee does not constitute soliciting material and should not be deemed filed or incorporated by reference into any of MasTec's filings under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act except to the extent that we specifically incorporate such report by reference.*

We act under a written charter that has been adopted by MasTec's Board. While we have the responsibilities set forth in this charter, it is not our duty to plan or conduct audits or to determine that MasTec's consolidated financial statements are complete, accurate or in compliance with generally accepted accounting principles. This is the responsibility of MasTec's management and independent registered public accounting firm.

Our primary function is to assist the Board in their evaluation and oversight of the integrity of MasTec's financial statements and internal control over financial reporting, the qualifications and independence of MasTec's independent registered public accounting firm and the performance of MasTec's audit functions. In addition, while we are also responsible for assisting the Board in their evaluation and oversight of MasTec's compliance with applicable laws and regulations, it is not our duty to assure compliance with such laws and regulations and related policies. We are also responsible for reviewing and discussing MasTec's guidelines, policies and processes with respect to risk assessment and risk management and we advise the Board with respect to such matters, as appropriate. We are responsible for retaining MasTec's independent registered public accounting firm and maintain sole responsibility for their compensation, oversight and termination. We are also responsible for pre-approving all non-audit services to be provided by the independent registered public accounting firm, and on an annual basis discussing with the independent registered public accounting firm all significant relationships they have with MasTec to determine their independence.

The agenda of the Audit Committee is established by the Chairman of the Audit Committee. At its meetings, the Audit Committee generally met with senior members of the financial management team. Members of the Audit Committee had private executive sessions, as appropriate, at its meetings, with MasTec's independent registered public accounting firm for the purpose of discussing financial management, accounting and internal control issues, including those matters required to be discussed pursuant to Auditing Standard No. 16, Communications with Audit Committees, as adopted by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, and the rules of the NYSE. The Audit Committee also has executive sessions with the director of internal audit.

The Audit Committee also received the written disclosures and the letter from the independent registered public accounting firm required by the applicable requirements of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board regarding the independent registered public accounting firm's communications with the Audit Committee concerning independence. The Audit Committee reviewed and discussed with the independent registered public accounting firm their independence from MasTec. In connection with discussions regarding independence, the Audit Committee also reviewed with the independent registered public accounting firm whether the provision of non-audit services by independent registered public accounting firm to MasTec is compatible with the auditors' independence.

The Audit Committee reviewed the audited financial statements contained in MasTec's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016 with MasTec's management, including a discussion of the accounting principles, the reasonableness of judgments and estimates, the clarity of disclosure in the consolidated financial statements and the conformity of the consolidated financial statements of MasTec with generally accepted accounting principles. In performing its functions, the Audit Committee acts in an oversight capacity. The Audit Committee relies on the work and assurances of MasTec's management, which has the primary responsibility for the financial statements and reports, and of the independent registered public accounting firm, who, in its report, expressed an opinion on the conformity of our annual financial statements to generally accepted accounting principles. In reliance on these reviews and discussions, and the report of the independent registered public accounting firm, the Audit Committee recommended to the Board, and the Board approved, that the audited financial statements be included in MasTec's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016.

Robert J. Dwyer, Chairman

Ernst N. Csiszar

Julia L. Johnson

***Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm***

Our Audit Committee engaged BDO USA, LLP to serve as our independent registered public accounting firm for the 2016 fiscal year. A representative from BDO USA, LLP is expected to attend the Annual Meeting and will have the opportunity to make a statement and answer appropriate questions.

***Audit Fees***

Fees for services rendered by our independent registered public accounting firm, BDO USA, LLP, for professional services rendered for the 2015 and 2016 audits of our annual financial statements, reviews of financial statements included in quarterly reports on Form 10-Q in 2015 and 2016 and out of pocket expenses, totaled approximately \$3.7 million and \$3.4 million for 2015 and 2016, respectively. Approximately \$0.3 million and \$0.1 million of the 2015 and 2016 costs, respectively, are related to the previously disclosed Audit Committee investigation. Audit fees for 2016 also include work related to comfort letters and securities registration statement consents.

***Audit-Related Fees***

Fees for audit related services, which are services that are reasonably related to the performance of the annual audit or to the review of quarterly financial statements, performed by BDO USA, LLP were \$111,000 and \$73,000 in 2015 and 2016, respectively. Fees for services rendered by our independent registered public accounting firm, BDO USA, LLP, for audit related services rendered for 2015 and 2016 included procedures performed for the 401(k)-retirement plan.

***Tax Fees***

There were no tax fees billed by BDO USA, LLP for either 2015 or 2016.

***All Other Fees***

There were no fees billed by BDO USA, LLP for other services in either 2015 or 2016.

***Pre-approval Policies***

The Audit Committee pre-approves all auditing services and the terms of such services (which may include providing comfort letters about securities underwritings) and non-audit services provided by our independent registered public accounting firm, but only to the extent that the non-audit services are not prohibited under applicable law and the Audit Committee reasonably determines that the non-audit services do not impair the independence of the independent registered public accounting firm. The authority to pre-approve non-audit services may be delegated to one or more members of the Audit Committee, who present all decisions to pre-approve an activity to the full Audit Committee at its first meeting following such decision. The pre-approval requirement is waived with respect to the provision of non-audit services for MasTec if (i) the aggregate amount of all such non-audit services provided to MasTec constitutes not more than 5% of the total amount of revenues paid by MasTec to its independent registered public accounting firm during the fiscal year in which such non-audit services were provided, (ii) such services were not recognized at the time of the engagement to be non-audit services, and (iii) such services are promptly brought to the attention of the Audit Committee or by one or more of its members to whom authority to grant such approvals has been delegated by the Audit Committee.

The Audit Committee has considered and determined that the provision of the non-audit services described above is compatible with maintaining the auditor's independence.

During 2015 and 2016, audit services, audit related services and all other services provided by BDO USA, LLP were pre-approved by the Audit Committee.



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**PROPOSAL NO. 2: RATIFICATION OF THE APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

The Audit Committee has selected and appointed the firm of BDO USA, LLP to act as our independent registered public accounting firm for the 2017 fiscal year. BDO USA, LLP was our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016. Although ratification is not required by our bylaws or otherwise, the Board is submitting the appointment of BDO USA, LLP to our shareholders for ratification as a matter of good corporate practice. If the appointment is not ratified, the Audit Committee will re-evaluate its appointment, taking into consideration our shareholders' vote. However, the Audit Committee is solely responsible for the appointment and termination of our auditors and may do so at any time in its discretion.

Proxies will be voted for ratification of the appointment of BDO USA, LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the 2017 fiscal year absent contrary instructions.

*The Board Recommends that You Vote **FOR** ratification of the appointment of BDO USA, LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the 2017 fiscal year.*

**PROPOSAL NO. 3: VOTE ON A NON-BINDING ADVISORY RESOLUTION TO APPROVE**

**THE COMPENSATION OF THE COMPANY'S**

**NAMED EXECUTIVES**

As required by Section 14A of the Exchange Act, we are seeking advisory shareholder approval of the compensation of our named executive officers as disclosed in the section of this Proxy Statement titled "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" including the tables that follow. We are asking shareholders to vote on the following advisory resolution:

RESOLVED, that the holders of the Company's common stock advise that they approve the compensation of the Company's named executive officers as disclosed pursuant to the compensation disclosure rules of the SEC (which disclosure includes the Compensation Discussion and Analysis, the compensation tables and the related footnotes, and the narrative information accompanying the tables).

Although your vote is advisory and therefore non-binding, the Board of Directors will consider the outcome of the vote when considering future executive compensation decisions for named executive officers. We urge shareholders to read the Compensation Discussion and Analysis ("CD&A") section of this Proxy Statement, which details our compensation actions for the year ended December 31, 2016. As described in the CD&A, we believe that the compensation paid to our named executive officers for 2016 appropriately considers our demonstrated ability to increase revenue, net income and profitability over the short- and long-term because of the continued leadership of these named executive officers. We believe that our compensation programs and policies and the compensation decisions for 2016 as described in the CD&A appropriately reward our named executive officers for their and the Company's performance and we believe that these programs and policies will assist us in retaining our senior leadership team.

*The Board recommends that shareholders vote **FOR** approval of the compensation of the Company's named executive officers as disclosed pursuant to the compensation disclosure rules of the SEC (which disclosure includes the Compensation Discussion and Analysis, the compensation tables and the related footnotes, and the narrative information accompanying the tables).*

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**PROPOSAL NO. 4: VOTE ON A NON-BINDING ADVISORY RESOLUTION TO APPROVE**

**THE FREQUENCY OF VOTES ON THE COMPENSATION OF THE COMPANY'S**

**NAMED EXECUTIVES**

Our shareholders are entitled to cast an advisory vote at the Annual Meeting to determine how frequently they should consider and cast an advisory vote to approve the compensation of our named executive officers. The choices are: every year, two years or three years. While this shareholder vote regarding frequency is an advisory vote that is not binding on the Company or the Board of Directors, we value the opinions of our shareholders and will consider the outcome of the vote when making our determination regarding how frequently this advisory vote will be held.

The Company, the Compensation Committee and the Board of Directors believe that it is appropriate and in the best interest of the Company for the Company's shareholders to cast an advisory vote on executive compensation every year. The Board of Directors believes that an advisory vote on the compensation of the Company's named executive officers should be conducted every year so that shareholders may annually express their views on the Company's executive compensation program. The Board of Directors believes that holding this advisory vote annually will provide the Company with timely and appropriate feedback on compensation decisions for its named executive officers.

*Vote Required.* Shareholders are being asked to vote on the following resolution (the "Say-When-on-Pay Resolution"):

RESOLVED, that the Company's shareholders advise the Company to include a non-binding, advisory vote on the compensation of the Company's named executive officers pursuant to Section 14A of the Exchange Act every:

year;

two years; or

three years.

In voting on this resolution, you should mark your proxy for one year, two years or three years based on your preference as to the frequency with which an advisory vote on executive compensation should be held. If you have no preference, you should abstain. If no voting specification is made on a properly returned or voted proxy card, the proxies named on the proxy card will vote FOR a frequency of ONE YEAR for future advisory votes regarding executive compensation.

***The Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR a frequency of ONE YEAR with respect to the Say-When-on-Pay Resolution.***

## OTHER BUSINESS

### ***Notice Procedures and Shareholders Proposals for the 2018 Annual Meeting of Shareholders***

Under our bylaws, no business may be brought before an annual meeting unless it is specified in the notice of the meeting or is otherwise brought before an annual meeting by or at the direction of our Board or, in the case of business other than director nominations, by a shareholder entitled to vote who has delivered written notice as specified by our bylaws. Under our bylaws, MasTec must receive any eligible proposal from an eligible shareholder intended to be presented at the 2018 Annual Meeting of Shareholders on or before November 27, 2017 for the proposal to be properly brought before the meeting. This same deadline also applies for any shareholder proposal to be eligible for inclusion in our Proxy Statement and proxy related to that meeting pursuant to SEC Rule 14a-8. Any notice regarding any shareholder proposal must include the information specified in Article I, Section 9 of our bylaws. If a shareholder fails to comply with Article I, Section 9 of our bylaws or notifies MasTec after November 27, 2017 of an intent to present any proposal at MasTec's 2018 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, irrespective of whether the shareholder is seeking to include the proposal in MasTec's Proxy Statement and proxy pursuant to SEC Rule 14a-8, the proposal will not be considered properly brought before the meeting. A copy of our bylaw requirements will be provided upon written request to: MasTec Legal Department, 800 S. Douglas Road, 12th Floor, Coral Gables, Florida, 33134.

### ***Availability of Annual Report on Form 10-K***

Copies of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016 (without exhibits or documents incorporated by reference therein), are available without charge to shareholders upon written request to MasTec Legal Department, 800 S. Douglas Road, 12th Floor, Coral Gables, Florida, 33134, by calling (305) 599-1800 or via the Internet at [www.mastec.com](http://www.mastec.com).

### ***Other Matters that May Come Before the Annual Meeting***

The Board does not intend to present, and knows of no others who intend to present, at the Annual Meeting any matter or business other than that set forth in the accompanying Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders. If other matters are properly brought before the Annual Meeting, it is the intention of the persons named in the proxy to vote any proxies on such matters in accordance with their judgment.

***We request that you promptly request a proxy card to sign, date, and return or vote your proxy over the telephone or through the Internet so that your vote will be included at the meeting.***

Alberto de Cardenas, Secretary

Coral Gables, Florida

March 27, 2017

**VOTE BY INTERNET - [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com)**

***MASTEC, INC.***

***800 S. DOUGLAS ROAD - 12<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR***

***CORAL GABLES, FL 33134***

Use the Internet to transmit your voting instructions and for electronic delivery of information up until 11:59 P.M. Eastern Time the day before the meeting date. Have your proxy card in hand when you access the web site and follow the instructions to obtain your records and to create an electronic voting instruction form.

**ELECTRONIC DELIVERY OF FUTURE PROXY MATERIALS**

If you would like to reduce the costs incurred by MasTec, Inc. in mailing proxy materials, you can consent to receiving all future proxy statements, proxy cards and annual reports electronically via e-mail or the Internet. To sign up for electronic delivery, please follow the instructions above to vote using the Internet and, when prompted, indicate that you agree to receive or access shareholder communications electronically in future years.

**VOTE BY PHONE - 1-800-690-6903**

Use any touch-tone telephone to transmit your voting instructions up until 11:59 P.M. Eastern Time the day before the meeting date. Have your proxy card in hand when you call and then follow the instructions.

**VOTE BY MAIL**

Mark, sign and date your proxy card and return it in the postage-paid envelope we have provided or return it to Vote Processing, c/o Broadridge, 51 Mercedes Way, Edgewood, NY 11717.

TO VOTE, MARK BLOCKS BELOW IN BLUE OR BLACK INK AS FOLLOWS:

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KEEP THIS PORTION FOR YOUR RECORDS

**THIS PROXY CARD IS VALID ONLY WHEN SIGNED AND DATED. DETACH AND RETURN THIS PORTION ONLY**

**MASTEC, INC.**  
**The Board of Directors**  
**recommends you vote**  
**FOR the following:**

**For** **Withhold** **For All**  
**All** **All** **Except**

To withhold authority to vote for  
some (but not all) nominees, mark  
For All Except and write the name  
of the nominee(s) for whom you  
wish to withhold authority to vote  
on the line below.

1. Election of Class III  
Director and Class I  
Directors

**Nominees**

- 01) C. Robert  
Campbell
- 02) Ernst N. Csiszar
- 03) Julia L. Johnson
- 04) Jorge Mas

**The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR Proposals 2 and 3.**

**For Against Abstain**

2. Ratification of the appointment of BDO USA, LLP as our independent  
registered public accounting firm for 2017.
3. Approval of a non-binding advisory resolution regarding the compensation of  
our named executive officers.

**The Board of Directors recommends you vote ONE YEAR for Proposal 4.**

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4. A non-binding advisory resolution regarding the frequency of the vote regarding  
the compensation of our named executive officers.

**NOTE:** In the Proxies' discretion, in accordance with the recommendation of  
MasTec's Board of Directors, the Proxies are authorized to vote on any other  
business that may properly be presented at the Annual Meeting or any  
adjournments or postponements thereof.

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Please sign exactly as your name(s) appear(s) hereon. When signing as attorney, executor, administrator, or other fiduciary, please give full title as such. Joint owners should each sign personally. All holders must sign. If a corporation or partnership, please sign in full corporate or partnership name by authorized officer.

Signature [PLEASE  
SIGN WITHIN BOX]

Date

Signature (Joint Owners)

Date

**Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting:**

The Notice and Proxy Statement and 10-K Wrap are available at

[www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com).

**PROXY FOR 2017 ANNUAL MEETING OF  
SHAREHOLDERS SOLICITED BY THE BOARD OF  
DIRECTORS OF MASTEC, INC.**

The undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints Alberto de Cardenas and Cristina Canales (the Proxies), or any one of them, each with full power of substitution, attorneys and Proxies for the undersigned, to vote all shares of common stock of MasTec, Inc. (MasTec) that the undersigned would be entitled to vote at the 2017 Annual Meeting of Shareholders (the Annual Meeting) to be held at the Douglas Entrance Building, South Tower, located at 806 S. Douglas Road, 10th Floor, Royal Poinciana Conference Room, Coral Gables, Florida 33134 at 9:30 a.m. EDT on Thursday, May 18, 2017, or any adjournments or postponements thereof, on all matters properly coming before the Annual Meeting, including, but not limited to, the matters stated on the reverse side, in the manner directed herein.

If shares of MasTec's Common Stock are issued to or held for the account of the undersigned under the MasTec 401(k) Retirement Plan (the Plan), then the undersigned hereby directs the Trustee of the Plan to vote all shares of MasTec's Common Stock in the undersigned's name and/or account under the Plan in accordance with the instructions given herein at the Annual Meeting and at any adjournments or postponements thereof, on all matters properly coming before the Annual Meeting, including, but not limited to, the matters stated on the reverse side.

**ANY PROPER PROXY RECEIVED BY MASTEC AS TO WHICH NO CHOICE HAS BEEN INDICATED WILL BE VOTED BY THE PROXIES FOR ALL THE NOMINEES SET FORTH ON THE REVERSE SIDE, FOR THE RATIFICATION OF BDO USA, LLP AS OUR INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM FOR 2017, FOR A NON-BINDING ADVISORY RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE COMPENSATION OF OUR NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS, FOR A FREQUENCY OF ONE YEAR WITH RESPECT TO THE SAY-WHEN-ON-PAY RESOLUTION, AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RECOMMENDATION OF MASTEC'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON ANY OTHER MATTER PROPERLY BROUGHT BEFORE THE ANNUAL MEETING. YOUR PROXY CANNOT BE VOTED UNLESS YOU SIGN, DATE AND RETURN THIS CARD OR FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR INTERNET OR TELEPHONE VOTING SET FORTH ON THE REVERSE SIDE.**

**Continued and to be signed on**

**reverse side**

**\*\*\* Exercise Your *Right* to Vote \*\*\***

**Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy**

**Materials for the Shareholder Meeting to Be Held on**

**May 18, 2017.**

**MASTEC, INC.**

*MASTEC, INC.  
800 S. DOUGLAS ROAD - 12TH  
FLOOR CORAL GABLES, FL  
33134*

**Meeting**

**Information**

**Meeting Type:**

Annual Meeting

**For holders, as of:** March 10, 2017

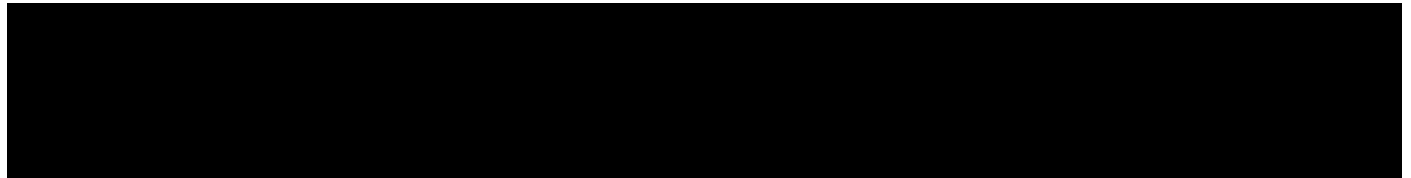
**Date:** May 18, 2017      **Time:** 9:30 AM EDT

**Location:** Douglas Entrance Building  
806 S. Douglas Road  
10th Floor, Royal Poinciana Conference  
  
Room Coral Gables, Florida 33134

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

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

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



**Before You Vote**

How to Access the Proxy Materials

**Proxy Materials Available to VIEW or RECEIVE:**

NOTICE AND PROXY STATEMENT      10-K WRAP

**How to View Online:**

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

**How to Request and Receive a PAPER or E-MAIL Copy:**

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

1) *BY INTERNET*:              [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com)

2) *BY TELEPHONE*:        1-800-579-1639

3) *BY E-MAIL\**:            [sendmaterial@proxyvote.com](mailto:sendmaterial@proxyvote.com)

\* If requesting materials by e-mail, please send a blank e-mail with the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow (located on the following page) in the subject line.

Requests, instructions and other inquiries sent to this e-mail address will NOT be forwarded to your investment advisor. Please make the request as instructed above on or before May 10, 2017 to facilitate timely delivery.

### **How to Vote**

Please Choose One of the Following Voting Methods

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

**Vote By Internet:** To vote now by Internet, go to *www.proxyvote.com*. Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow (located on the following page) available and follow the instructions.

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

**Voting Items**

**The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR**

**the following:**

**1. Election of Class III Director and Class I Directors**

**Nominees**

- 1) C. Robert Campbell
- 2) Ernst N. Csiszar
- 3) Julia L. Johnson
- 4) Jorge Mas

**The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR Proposals 2 and 3.**

- 2.** Ratification of the appointment of BDO USA, LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for 2017.
- 3.** Approval of a non-binding advisory resolution regarding the compensation of our named executive officers.

**The Board of Directors recommends you vote ONE YEAR for Proposal 4.**

- 4.** A non-binding advisory resolution regarding the frequency of the vote regarding the compensation of our named executive officers.

**NOTE:** In the Proxies' discretion, in accordance with the recommendation of MasTec's Board of Directors, the Proxies are authorized to vote on any other business that may properly be presented at the Annual Meeting or any adjournments or postponements thereof.