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IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING THE AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIALS FOR THE
QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INCORPORATED ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS TO BE
HELD ON MAY 17, 2011

Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders

WHEN AND WHERE IS THE SHAREHOLDERS MEETING?

The 2011 Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Quest Diagnostics Incorporated will be held at our corporate headquarters at Three Giralda Farms, Madison, New Jersey 07940, on Tuesday, May 17, 2011, at 10:30 a.m. If you need directions to the Annual Meeting, please call 1-973-520-2900.

WHAT IS BEING VOTED ON AT THE SHAREHOLDERS MEETING?

1. Proposal to elect two Directors: William F. Buehler and Daniel C. Stanzione, Ph.D.
2. Proposal to ratify the appointment of the registered public accounting firm PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP for 2011.
3. Proposal to approve the compensation of the named executive officers.
4. Proposal regarding the frequency of shareholder votes on executive compensation.
5. Other business properly presented at the meeting or any adjournment.

WHAT DOES THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMEND?

The Board of Directors recommends you vote: FOR the election of the two directors, FOR the proposal to ratify the appointment of the registered public accounting firm PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP for 2011, FOR the proposal to approve the compensation of the named executive officers and THREE YEARS for the proposal regarding the frequency of shareholder votes on executive compensation.

HOW CAN I GET A COMPLETE SET OF PROXY MATERIALS?

This is not a proxy card. If you wish to submit your proxy on a traditional proxy card, you must request a paper copy of the proxy materials by following the instructions below.

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

The following documents are available at: www.ViewMaterial.com/DGX

- 2011 Proxy Statement
- 2010 Annual Report

If you want to receive a paper or e-mail copy of these documents, you must request one. There is no charge to you for requesting a copy. Please make your request for a copy as instructed below on or before May 3, 2011 to facilitate timely delivery.

You may request a paper or email copy of the proxy materials by following the instructions below. You will be asked to provide the control number (located by the arrow in the box below).

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1. Call the toll-free telephone number 1 800 516-1564 and follow the instructions provided, or
2. Access the website, www.SendMaterial.com and follow the instructions provided, or
3. Send us an e-mail at papercopy@SendMaterial.com with your control number in the subject line. Unless you instruct us otherwise, we will reply to your email with a copy of the proxy materials in PDF format for this meeting only.

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To vote your Quest Diagnostics Incorporated shares, you can attend the Annual Meeting of Shareholders and vote in person or you can:

1. Go to www.ViewMaterial.com/DGX
2. Click on the icon to submit a proxy for your shares.
3. Enter the 11 digit control number (located by the arrow in the box above).
4. Follow the simple instructions to record your voting instructions.

You are able to submit a proxy until 11:59 p.m. (EDT) on May 16, 2011.
