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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS To be held May 12, 2011

To the Stockholders of THE BANCORP, INC.:

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting (the "Meeting") of stockholders of THE BANCORP, INC., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), will be held at the Cira Centre, 2929 Arch Street, 17th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19104 on Thursday, May 12, 2011 at 9:00 A.M., Philadelphia time, for the following purposes:

- 1. To elect the eleven directors named in the enclosed proxy statement to serve until the next annual meeting of stockholders.
- 2. To approve, in an advisory (non-binding) vote, the Company's 2010 compensation program for its named executive officers.
- 3. To approve, in an advisory (non-binding) vote, the frequency of shareholder votes on executive compensation.
- 4. To approve The Bancorp, Inc. Stock Option and Equity Plan of 2011.
- 5. To approve the selection of Grant Thornton LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm for the Company for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2011.
- 6. To transact such other business as may properly be brought before the Meeting and any adjournment, postponement or continuation thereof.

Only stockholders of record on the books of the Company at the close of business on March 14, 2011 will be entitled to notice of and to vote at the Meeting or any adjournments thereof. A list of stockholders entitled to vote at the Meeting will be available for inspection at the Meeting and at the offices of the Company at 409 Silverside Road, Wilmington, Delaware 19809.

STOCKHOLDERS CAN HELP AVOID THE NECESSITY AND EXPENSE OF SENDING FOLLOW-UP LETTERS TO ASSURE A QUORUM BY PROMPTLY RETURNING THE ENCLOSED PROXY. THE ENCLOSED ADDRESSED ENVELOPE REQUIRES NO POSTAGE AND YOU MAY REVOKE YOUR PROXY AT ANY TIME BEFORE ITS USE.

By order of the Board of Directors

Paul Frenkiel Secretary

Wilmington, Delaware March 23, 2011

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Meeting to be held on May 12, 2011:

The proxy statement and our 2010 Annual Report are available at http://www.snl.com/irweblinkx/GenPage.aspx?IID=4054569&GKP=203269

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PROXY STATEMENT ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

GENERAL

Introduction

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This statement is furnished in connection with the solicitation by the Board of Directors of the Company (the "Board of Directors") of proxies from holders of the Company's common stock, par value \$1.00 per share (the "Common Shares"), to be used at such Meeting, and at any and all adjournments thereof. Proxies in the accompanying form, properly executed and duly returned to the Company, and not revoked, will be voted at the Meeting and any and all adjournments thereof.

This proxy statement and the accompanying form of proxy will be sent on or about March 31, 2011 to stockholders of record as of March 14, 2011.

Revocation of Proxy

If a proxy in the accompanying form is executed and returned, it may nevertheless be revoked at any time before its exercise by giving written notice of revocation to the Secretary of the Company at its Wilmington address stated herein, by submitting a later dated proxy or by attending the Meeting and voting in person.

Expenses and Manner of Solicitation

The cost of soliciting proxies will be borne by the Company. Directors, officers and regular employees of the Company may solicit proxies either personally, by letter or by telephone. Such directors, officers and employees will not be specifically compensated for soliciting such proxies. The Company expects to reimburse banks, brokers, and other persons for their reasonable out-of-pocket expenses in handling proxy materials for beneficial owners of the Common Shares.

Annual Report and Report on Form 10-K

The Company's 2010 Annual Report to Stockholders, including the financial statements and management's discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations for the year ended December 31, 2010, is being sent to stockholders of record as of March 14, 2011. Stockholders of record as of March 14, 2011, and beneficial owners of the Company's Common Shares on that date, may obtain from the Company, without charge, a copy of the Company's most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), by a request

therefor in writing. Any such request from a beneficial owner of the Company's Common Shares must set forth a good faith representation that, as of the record date for this solicitation, March 14, 2011, the person making the request was the beneficial owner of the Company's Common Shares. Such written requests should be directed to The Bancorp, Inc., Attention: Paul Frenkiel, 409 Silverside Road, Wilmington, Delaware 19809.

Stockholders Sharing an Address

Stockholders sharing an address with another stockholder may receive only one annual report or one set of proxy materials at that address unless they have provided contrary instructions. Any such stockholder who wishes to receive a separate copy of the annual report or a separate set of proxy materials now or in the future may write or call the Company to request a separate copy of these materials from the Company at The Bancorp, Inc., Attention: Andres Viroslav, Investor Relations, 409 Silverside Road, Wilmington, Delaware 19809, telephone number (215) 861-7990. The Company will promptly deliver a copy of the requested materials.

Similarly, a stockholder sharing an address with another stockholder who has received multiple copies of the Company's proxy materials may use the contact information above to request delivery of a single copy of these materials.

Voting at the Meeting

At the Meeting, only those holders of Common Shares at the close of business on March 14, 2011, the record date, will be entitled to vote. As of the record date, 33,196,281 Common Shares were outstanding. Each holder is entitled to one vote per share on each matter of business properly brought before the Meeting. Stockholders do not have cumulative voting rights. The presence at the Meeting in person or by proxy of holders of outstanding Common Shares entitled to cast a majority of all the votes entitled to be cast at the Meeting will constitute a quorum. The presence of a quorum for any proposal establishes a quorum for all of the proposals, even if holders of outstanding Common Shares entitled to cast a majority of all the votes entitled to be cast at the Meeting do not vote on all of the proposals.

In March 2011, the Board of Directors approved an amendment to the Company's bylaws to provide for a majority vote standard in an uncontested election of directors. Accordingly, in order to be elected as a director in an uncontested election, each director is elected by a majority of votes cast with respect to such director nominee. (See Standard for Election of Directors below.) All other matters to be voted on at the Meeting, except for the advisory vote on the frequency of stockholder voting on executive compensation, require for approval the favorable vote of a majority of the votes cast on the applicable matter at the meeting in person or by proxy.

A failure by brokers to vote Common Shares held by them in nominee name will mean that such Common Shares will not be counted for the purposes of establishing a quorum and will not be voted. If a broker does not receive voting instructions from the beneficial owner of Common Shares on a particular matter and indicates on the proxy delivered with respect to such Common Shares that it does not have discretionary authority to vote on that matter, which is referred to as a broker "non-vote," those Common Shares will be considered as present for the purpose of determining whether a quorum exists, but will not be considered cast on any proposal on which they were not voted. Brokers that are member firms of the New York Stock Exchange and who hold Common Shares in street name for customers only have discretion to vote those shares with respect to the approval of the selection of the auditor (Proposal 5 below), and do not have discretion to vote those shares with respect to the other proposals. Should any matters not described above be properly presented at the Meeting, the persons named in the proxy form will vote in accordance with their judgment. The proxy form authorizes these persons, in their discretion, to vote upon such matters as may properly be brought before the meeting or any adjournment, postponement in continuation thereof.

With respect to the election of directors described in Proposal 1 below, the advisory votes on the Company's compensation program for its named executive officers and the frequency of votes, as described in Proposals 2 and 3 below, and the approval of The Bancorp, Inc. Stock Option and Equity Plan of 2011 described in Proposal 4 below, votes that are withheld and broker "non-votes" will not be counted as votes cast on the matter and will have no effect on the result of the vote. With respect to the approval of the selection of Grant Thornton LLP described in

Proposal 5 below, or with respect to any other matter properly brought before the Meeting requiring the affirmative vote of the holders of at least a majority of the votes cast at the Meeting at which a quorum is present, either in person or by proxy, for approval, (a) abstentions will be counted as votes cast on any matter and will have the effect of a vote against the relevant proposal and (b) broker "non-votes" will not be counted as votes cast on any matter, and will have no effect on the results of the votes with respect to such proposals and other matters.

Advisory (or non-binding) votes

Stockholder votes on Proposals 2 and 3 are advisory votes. An advisory vote is a mechanism that allows for stockholders of the Company to tell the Board of Directors how they feel about certain issues facing the Company, such as executive compensation. The results of an advisory vote are non-binding, which means that the Board of Directors is not required by law to take any specific action in response to the results of the vote. However, the Board of Directors strongly values feedback from the Company's stockholders and will take the results of an advisory vote into account when considering future actions.

PROPOSAL 1. ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Directors and Nominees

The Bylaws of the Company provide that the number of directors shall be fixed by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors has fixed the number of directors at eleven. All directors are elected for a term of one year or until their successors are elected and qualified. The Board of Directors, upon the recommendation of its Nominating and Governance Committee, has nominated Betsy Z. Cohen, Daniel G. Cohen, Walter T. Beach, Michael J. Bradley, Matthew Cohn, Leon A. Huff, William H. Lamb, Frank M. Mastrangelo, James J. McEntee III, Linda Schaeffer and Joan Specter for election at the Meeting for a term to expire at the 2012 annual meeting or until their successors are elected or appointed.

It is the intention of the persons named in the enclosed proxy, in the absence of a contrary direction, to vote for the election of all of the current directors. Should any of the nominees become unable or refuse to accept nomination or election as a director, the persons named as proxies intend to vote for the election of such other person as the Nominating and Governance Committee of the Board of Directors may recommend. The Board of Directors knows of no reason why any of the nominees might be unable or refuse to accept nomination or election.

Information is set forth below regarding the principal occupation of each nominee. There are no family relationships among the directors, nominees and executive officers of the Company, except that Daniel G. Cohen, who is currently the Chairman of the Board of Directors and the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors, is the son of Betsy Z. Cohen, a director and the Chief Executive Officer of the Company.

Following are summaries of the background, business experience and principal occupations of the nominees and current directors.

Betsy Z. Cohen, age 69, has been Chief Executive Officer of both the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiary, The Bancorp Bank (the "Bank"), since September 2000 and Chairman of the Bank since November 2003. She has served as the Chairman of the Board of Trustees and as a trustee of RAIT Financial Trust (NYSE: RAS), a real estate investment trust ("RAIT"), since its founding in August 1997, through her resignation as of December 31, 2010 and served as RAIT's Chief Executive Officer from 1997 to 2006. Mrs. Cohen served as a director of Hudson United Bancorp (a bank holding company), the successor to JeffBanks, Inc., from December 1999 until July 2000 and as the Chairman of the Jefferson Bank Division of Hudson United Bank (Hudson United Bancorp's banking subsidiary) from December 1999 through March 2000. Before the merger of JeffBanks, Inc. with Hudson United Bancorp in December 1999, Mrs. Cohen was Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of JeffBanks, Inc. from its inception in 1981 and also served as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of each of its subsidiaries, Jefferson Bank, which she founded in 1974, and Jefferson Bank New Jersey, which she founded in 1987. From 1985 until 1993, Mrs. Cohen was a director of First Union Corp. of Virginia (a bank holding company) and its predecessor, Dominion Bancshares, Inc. In 1969, Mrs. Cohen co-founded a commercial law firm and served as a senior partner until 1984. Mrs. Cohen is also a director of Aetna, Inc. (NYSE: AET), an insurance company. For information regarding the relationships between the Company, the Bank and RAIT, see "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions."

Daniel G. Cohen, age 41, has been the Chairman of the Company and Chairman of the Company's Executive Committee of the Board of Directors since its inception in 1999. From 1999 to September 2000 he served as the Company's Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Cohen is Vice-Chairman of the Bank's Board of Directors and Chairman of its Executive Committee. He had previously been Chairman of the Bank's Board of Directors from September 2000 to

November 2003 and, from July 2000 to September 2000, had been the Bank's Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Cohen has served as Chief Executive Officer and Chief Investment Officer of Institutional Financial Markets, Inc. (NYSE Amex: IFMI), f/k/a Cohen & Company Inc. and Alesco Financial Inc., an investment firm specializing in credit-related fixed income investments, since December 2009, as its Chairman of the Board of Directors since October 2006 and as Executive Chairman from October 2006 through December 2009. In addition, before its merger with and into Alesco Financial, Mr. Cohen served as the Chairman of the Board of Managers of Cohen Brothers LLC since 2001, as Chief Investment Officer since October 2008 and as Chief Executive Officer since December 2009. He previously served as Chief Executive Officer of RAIT from December 2006 when it merged with Taberna Realty Finance Trust to February 2009, and served as a trustee from the date RAIT acquired Taberna until his resignation from that position in February 2010. Mr. Cohen was Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Taberna Realty Finance Trust from its inception in March 2005 until December 2006 and its Chief Executive Officer from March 2005 to December 2006. Mr. Cohen is currently a director of Star Asia, a joint venture investing in Asian commercial real estate and a director of Muni Funding Company of America, LLC, a company investing in middle-market non-profit organizations. He also served as the Chairman of the Board of Dekania Acquisition Corp. (NYSE: DEK), a business combination company focused on acquiring businesses that operate within the insurance industry, from its inception in February 2006 until December 2006, and remained a director of Dekania Acquisition Corp until its liquidation in February 2009. Mr. Cohen served as a member of the board of directors of TRM Corporation (OTC: TRMM), a consumer services company, from 2000 to September 2006 and as its Chairman from 2003 to September 2006. For information regarding the relationships between the Company, Institutional Financial Markets, Inc. and RAIT, see "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions."

Walter T. Beach, age 44, has been a director of both the Company and the Bank since 1999. Mr. Beach has been the Managing Director of Beach Investment Counsel, Inc., an investment management firm, since 1997. From 1993 to 1997, Mr. Beach was a Senior Analyst and Director of Research at Widmann, Siff and Co., Inc., an investment management firm, where he was, beginning in 1994, responsible for the firm's investment decisions for its principal equity product. From 1992 to 1993, he was an associate and financial analyst at Essex Financial Group, a consulting and merchant banking firm. From 1991 to 1992 he was an analyst at Industry Analysis Group, an industry and economic consulting firm. Mr. Beach has served as a director of Resource Capital Corp. (NYSE:RSO), a real estate investment trust, since 2005. Mr. Beach has served as a director of Institutional Financial Markets, Inc. since December 2009.

Michael J. Bradley, age 66, has been a director of both the Company and the Bank since February 2005. Mr. Bradley has been a co-owner and Managing Director of BF Healthcare, Inc., a supplier of physician services to hospitals and assisted living facilities, since 1998. Mr. Bradley has served on the Board of Directors of Resource America, Inc. (NASDAQ: REXI), a specialized asset management company, since March 2005, and SourceCorp., a provider of business process outsourcing solutions, since 1996. Mr. Bradley has also served on the Managing Board of Atlas Pipeline Partners GP, LLC, the general partner of Atlas Pipeline Partners, L.P. (NYSE: APL), an oil and gas pipeline company, since 2004. From 1988 to 1998, Mr. Bradley served as Chairman of First Executive Bank, and from 1998 to 2003 he served as Vice Chairman of First Republic Bank.

Matthew Cohn, age 41, has been a director of both the Company and the Bank since 1999. Mr. Cohn was the founder, in 1998, and is the Vice Chairman of the ASI Show!, a producer of trade shows in Chicago, San Diego, Orlando, San Diego, New York, and Dallas. Under Mr. Cohn's leadership, the ASI Show received the prestigious INC 500 Award, recognizing the company as one of the fasting growing privately held companies in the US and ASI has been named a "Best Place to Work" by numerous journals and newspapers. In addition, since 1992, Mr. Cohn has been the CEO of the Medical Data Institute, a medical data base publisher, the Chairman of ASI Computer Systems, a company providing order management software, services, and support, and the Vice Chairman of the Advertising Specialty Institute, a media and internet development company. Mr. Cohn serves on the International board of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, was a past board member of The Society of Independent Show Organizers, and is active with The Young Presidents Organization, as a past board member and current member of the membership committee as well as the International Events Committee.

Leon A. Huff, age 68, has been a director of the Company since October 2004 and a director of the Bank since December 2003. Mr. Huff is the co-founder and Vice-Chairman of Gamble-Huff Music (Philadelphia International Records), a record production company. Mr. Huff is a nationally-known producer, songwriter and performer. He has won Grammy and BMI songwriter awards, has been inducted into the National Academy of Songwriters Hall of Fame and the Philadelphia Music Foundation's Walk of Fame, and has received the Trustees Award from the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences.

William H. Lamb, age 70, has been a director of both the Company and the Bank since January 2004. Mr. Lamb has been Chairman of Lamb McErlane, PC, a law firm, since January 2004 and from January 1971 to January 2003. From January 2003 through January 2004, Mr. Lamb served as a Justice of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. Mr. Lamb served as a director and corporate secretary of JeffBanks, Inc. and Jefferson Bank until their acquisition by Hudson United Bank in November 1999.

Frank M. Mastrangelo, age 43, has served as the President, Chief Operating Officer and a Director of both the Company and the Bank since 1999. From 1995 through 1999 he was the Senior Vice President and the Chief Technology Officer for Jefferson Bank. He currently serves on the board of St. Mary's Franciscan Shelter, a homeless shelter for families in Phoenixville, PA, as a Trustee and Chair of the Audit Committee of Montgomery School, a

kindergarten through eighth-grade independent school in Chester Springs, PA, and a board member of the Elite Companies Charitable Foundation, a private family charitable foundation in Exton, PA.

James J. McEntee III, age 53, has been a director of both the Company and the Bank since September 2000. Mr. McEntee was the Chief Executive Officer of Alesco Financial, Inc. from the date of its incorporation in 2006 until its merger with Cohen & Company in December 2009 and was the Chief Operating Officer of Cohen & Company from March 2003 until December 2009, and is currently a managing director of Institutional Financial Markets, Inc. Mr. McEntee was a principal in Harron Capital, L.P., a media and communications venture capital fund, from 1999 to September 2002. From 1990 through 1999, Mr. McEntee was a stockholder at Lamb McErlane, PC, and from 2000 until 2004 was of counsel to Lamb McErlane. Mr. McEntee was previously a director of Pegasus Communications Corporation, a publicly held provider of communications and other services, and of several other private companies. See "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions" regarding Cohen Bros.

Linda Schaeffer, age 47, has been a director of the Company since 1999 and of the Bank since 2005. Ms. Schaeffer has been a private investor in real estate through SLS Associates, LP. since 1997. She was a Certified Public Accountant from 1996 until 2008 and served as such in both private and public practice. From 1990 until 1997 she was President of JMLS Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Computertots a company specializing in computer education. From 2004 until 2008 she was President of MSKS Corporation, Inc d/b/a Abrakadoodle, a company specializing in art education.

Joan Specter, age 77, has been a director of both the Company and the Bank since 1999. Ms. Specter is a member of the boards of directors of numerous businesses, educational and charitable organizations, including Ridgeway Philips Company, a provider of home healthcare, Chestnut Hill College, University of the Arts, Medical College of Pennsylvania, the Reading Terminal, operator of the Reading Terminal Market, the Philadelphia Cultural Fund and the Greater Philadelphia Urban Affairs Coalition. From 1980 through 1996, she was city councilwoman at-large for the City of Philadelphia.

The Board of Directors has not adopted specific minimum qualifications for service on the board, but rather seeks a mixture of skills that are relevant to the Company's business as a bank and bank holding company. The following presents a brief summary of the attributes of each director that led to the conclusion that he or she should serve as such:

Mrs. Cohen has multiple decades of experience in banking and has served as Chief Executive Officer and in other capacities for several banking institutions since 1974. She has been directly involved in all aspects of financial institutions management.

Mr. Cohen has served as a director of, and in other significant management capacities with, a number of financial companies. In addition to experience in commercial real estate, he has considerable experience in securities, investment management and capital markets.

Mr. Beach has extensive experience in investment management, corporate finance and capital markets. He is deemed an audit committee financial expert which, among other factors, reflects the quantitative and analytical skills developed in his experience as a director of research for an investment management firm.

Mr. Bradley has served as chairman and in other significant capacities for financial institutions and served as Chief Executive Officer of several University hospitals, including Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center and Thomas Jefferson University Hospital. Within these capacities, he was involved in significant management functions with respect to business and financial matters.

Mr. Cohn has significant experience in founding, leading and having senior roles in a variety of companies, including mid-size businesses of the type that are the Bank's primary clients. In addition he has considerable experience with electronic distribution and technology based companies.

Mr. Huff provides business leadership experience and perspective as a successful business owner and has strong ties to the local Philadelphia community, which is one of the primary markets served by the Company.

Mr. Lamb has extensive experience as a director of public bank holding companies, beginning in 1974. Additionally, he has significant legal experience with respect to business and financial matters and has particular knowledge of the southeastern region of Pennsylvania, which is one of the primary markets served by the Company.

Mr. Mastrangelo has broad operational and managerial experience in the banking industry. Additionally, he has significant technology and systems infrastructure experience.

Mr. McEntee has extensive experience in corporate law and financial institution management, as well as significant managerial experience in investments and capital markets operations.

Ms. Schaeffer provides business experience and perspective as a successful business owner and was a certified public accountant.

Ms. Specter has significant managerial and legislative experience and provides knowledge and understanding of the Philadelphia region with strong ties to the local community.

Standard for Election of Directors

The number of votes required in order to be elected as a director is dependent on whether an election is contested or uncontested. An election is uncontested if no stockholder provides proper notice of an intention to nominate one or more candidates to compete with the Board of Directors' nominees in a director election, or if any such stockholders have withdrawn all such nominations at least five days prior to the mailing of notice of the meeting to stockholders. As no such notice has been provided, the director election described in this Proposal 1 is an uncontested election. In order to be elected as a director in an uncontested election, each director is elected by a majority of votes cast with respect to such director nominee. A "majority of votes cast" means that the number of shares voted "for" a director's election exceeds 50% of the total number of votes cast with respect to that director's election. Votes "cast" include votes "for", votes to withhold authority and votes "against" and "no" votes, but excludes abstentions with respect to a director's election or with respect to the election of directors in general. In the case of any contested election, directors shall be elected by a plurality of votes cast at a meeting of stockholders duly called and at which a quorum is present.

If an incumbent director nominated for election as a director receives a greater number of "withhold", "against" or "no" votes for his or her election than votes "for" such election, or a majority against vote, then that director, as a holdover director, shall tender an offer of his or her resignation to the Board of Directors for consideration promptly following certification of such vote. The Nominating and Governance Committee shall promptly consider any resignation offer so tendered and a range of possible responses, based on any facts or circumstances they consider relevant, and make a recommendation to the Board of Directors as to the response to the resignation offer. If each member of the Nominating and Governance Committee received a majority against vote at the same election, then the independent directors who did not receive a majority against vote shall appoint a committee among themselves to consider the resignation offers and to recommend to the Board of Directors a response to the resignation offers. The Board of Directors shall take action on the Nominating and Governance Committee's recommendation (or committee of independent directors' recommendation) within 90 days following certification of the stockholder vote. Any director whose resignation is under consideration shall abstain from participating in any board or committee deliberations regarding the acceptance of his or her offer of resignation or the offer of resignation of any other director tendered because that director received a majority against vote.

If an incumbent director's offer of resignation is accepted by the Board of Directors, then such director shall cease to be a member of the Board of Directors upon the effective date of acceptance by the Board of Directors of the offer of resignation. If an incumbent director's offer of resignation is not accepted by the Board of Directors, then such director shall continue to serve until the earlier of the next annual meeting and until his or her successor is elected and qualifies and his or her subsequent resignation or removal.

If any nominee for director who is not an incumbent fails in an uncontested election to receive a majority of votes cast at a meeting of stockholders duly called and at which a quorum is present, such nominee shall not be elected and shall not take office. All of the Board of Directors' nominees for election as a director at the Meeting are incumbents. If an incumbent director's offer of resignation is accepted by the board of directors, or if a non-incumbent nominee for director is not elected, the Board of Directors may fill any resulting vacancy or may decrease the size of the Board of Directors pursuant to the Company's bylaws.

The Board of Directors unanimously recommends a vote "FOR" the election of each nominee.

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STOCK OWNERSHIP AND SECTION 16 COMPLIANCE

The following table sets forth the number and percentage of the Company's Common Shares owned as of March 8, 2011 by each of the Company's directors and executive officers, all of the directors and executive officers as a group and other persons who beneficially own more than 5% of the Company's outstanding voting securities. This information is reported in accordance with the beneficial ownership rules of the SEC under which a person is deemed to be the beneficial owner of a security if that person has or shares voting power or investment power with respect to such security or has the right to acquire such ownership within 60 days. Shares issuable pursuant to options or warrants are deemed to be outstanding for purposes of computing the percentage of the person or group holding such options or warrants but are not deemed to be outstanding for purposes of computing the percentage of any other person.

Common