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ANNUAL REPORT OF PROXY VOTING RECORD OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY  
Investment Company Act file number: 811-00248

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THE ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

7 Saint Paul Street, Suite 1140, Baltimore, Maryland 21202

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(Address of principal executive offices)

Lawrence L. Hooper, Jr.  
The Adams Express Company  
7 Saint Paul Street  
Suite 1140  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

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(Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 410-752-5900

Date of fiscal year end: December 31, 2005

Date of reporting period: July 1, 2004 - June 30, 2005

Item 1. Proxy Voting Record

Description	Proposal Type	Voted	Vote	For/ Agnst Mgmt
Issuer: Abbott Laboratories				
Ticker: ABT				
CUSIP: 002824-10-0				
Meeting Date: 04/22/2005				
Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal on Executive Compensation	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal concerning Performance-Based Options	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal concerning In Vitro Testing	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal concerning Political Contributions	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR

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Proposal concerning HIV/AIDS-TB-Malaria Pandemics	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal on separating the Roles of Chair and CEO	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR

Issuer: Air Products and Chemicals, Inc.

Ticker: APD

CUSIP: 009158-10-6

Meeting Date: 01/27/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: Alltel Corporation

Ticker: AT

CUSIP: 020039-10-3

Meeting Date: 04/21/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: AMBAC Financial Group, Inc.

Ticker: ABK

CUSIP: 023139-10-8

Meeting Date: 05/03/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Approve amendments to 1997 Executive Incentive Plan	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: Aqua America, Inc.

Ticker: WTR

CUSIP: 03836W-20-3

Meeting Date: 05/19/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
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Issuer: Avaya

Ticker: AV

CUSIP: 053499-10-9

Meeting Date: 02/15/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
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Issuer: Bankatlantic Bancorp, Inc.

Ticker: BBX

CUSIP: 065408-50-1

Meeting Date: 05/17/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Approve Company's 2005 Restricted Stock and Option Plan	MGMT	YES	AGNST	AGNST

Issuer: Bank of America Corporation

Ticker: BAC

CUSIP: 060505-10-4

Meeting Date: 04/27/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal regarding political contributions	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal regarding nomination of	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR

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directors

Issuer: Bea Systems, Inc.

Ticker: BEAS

CUSIP: 073325-10-2

Meeting Date: 06/23/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal regarding director election by majority vote	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal regarding declassification of the Board of Directors	SHLDR	YES	FOR	AGNST

Issuer: Bellsouth Corporation

Ticker: BLS

CUSIP: 079860-10-2

Meeting Date: 04/25/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal regarding disclosure of political contributions	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR

Issuer: BJ's Wholesale Club, Inc.

Ticker: BJ

CUSIP: 05548J-10-6

Meeting Date: 05/26/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: Black Hills Corporation

Ticker: BKH

CUSIP: 092113-10-9

Meeting Date: 05/25/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Authorization of Company 2005 Omnibus Incentive Plan	MGMT	YES	AGNST	AGNST
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: BMC Software, Inc.

Ticker: BMC

CUSIP: 055921-10-0

Meeting Date: 08/24/2004

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: BP p.l.c.

Ticker: BP

CUSIP: 055622-10-4

Meeting Date: 04/14/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Directors' authority to allot shares (relevant securities)	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Directors' authority to allot shares (equity securities)	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal regarding Share buyback	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

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Approval of Directors' Remuneration Report	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Renewal of Executive Directors' Incentive Plan	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: Brinker International, Inc.

Ticker: EAT

CUSIP: 109641-10-0

Meeting Date: 11/4/2004

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Adoption of smoke-free policy for all company-owned restaurants	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR

Issuer: Bristol-Myers Squibb Company

Ticker: BMY

CUSIP: 110122-10-8

Meeting Date: 05/03/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Approval of Restated Certificate of Incorporation Effecting Amendment to Eliminate Certain Supermajority Vote Requirements	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal on Political Contributions	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal on HIV/AIDS-TB-Malaria	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal on Animal Testing	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal on Separation of Chairman and CEO Positions	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal on Restatement Situations	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal on Restricted Stock	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal on Director Vote Threshold	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR

Issuer: Bunge Limited

Ticker: BG

CUSIP: G16962-10-5

Meeting Date: 05/27/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal regarding number, tenure and election of directors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal regarding nomination of Directors by Shareholders	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal regarding requirements for Board Action	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal regarding Shareholder Proposals	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Approval of Common Share Issuances	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal regarding definition of Rights Agreement	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal regarding authorization of the Board to appoint additional directors from time to time in accordance with proposed by-law	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal regarding approval of Company limited annual incentive plan and material terms of executive officer performance measures	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

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Issuer: Canadian National Railway  
Company

Ticker: CNI

CUSIP: 136375-10-2

Meeting Date: 04/21/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Amendment to Management Long-Term Incentive Plan	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: Cinergy Corporation

Ticker: CIN

CUSIP: 172474-10-8

Meeting Date: 05/05/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: CISCO Systems, Inc.

Ticker: CSCO

CUSIP: 17275R-10-2

Meeting Date: 11/18/2004

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal requesting review of company executive compensation policies	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR

Issuer: Clear Channel  
Communications, Inc.

Ticker: CCU

CUSIP: 184502-10-2

Meeting Date: 04/26/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Approve adoption of 2005 Annual Incentive Plan	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: The Coca-Cola Company

Ticker: KO

CUSIP: 191216-10-0

Meeting Date: 04/19/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal regarding an Independent Delegation of Inquiry to Colombia	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal regarding restricted stock	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal Regarding Severance Agreements	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR

Issuer: Comcast Corporation

Ticker: CMCSA

CUSIP: 20030N101

Meeting Date: 06/01/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Approve 2002 Restricted Stock Plan,	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

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as amended and restated				
Proposal to disclose political contributions	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal to require that the Chairman of the Board not have managerial responsibilities	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal to eliminate Shareholder Rights Plan unless shareholder approval is received	SHLDR	YES	FOR	AGNST
Proposal to adopt a recapitalization plan	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR

Issuer: Compass Bancshares, Inc.

Ticker: CBSS

CUSIP: 20449H-10-9

Meeting Date: 04/18/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
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Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Issuer: Conocophillips

Ticker: COP

CUSIP: 20825C-10-4

Meeting Date: 05/05/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
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Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Proposal regarding Compensation Limitations	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
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Proposal regarding Director Election Vote Standard	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
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Issuer: Corning Incorporated

Ticker: GLW

CUSIP: 219350-10-5

Meeting Date: 04/28/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
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Approve adoption of 2005 Employee Equity Participation Program	MGMT	YES	AGNST	AGNST
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Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Issuer: Dean Foods Company

Ticker: DF

CUSIP: 242370-10-4

Meeting Date: 05/24/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
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Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Proposal to require Company to disclose its social, environmental and economic performance to the public by issuing annual sustainability reports	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
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Issuer: DELL Inc.

Ticker: DELL

CUSIP: 24702R-10-1

Meeting Date: 7/16/2004

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
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Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Proposal Relating to Expensing Stock Options	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
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Issuer: DiamondCluster International, Inc.  
 Ticker: DTPI  
 CUSIP: 25278P-10-6  
 Meeting Date: 09/14/2004

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
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Issuer: R. R. Donnelley & Sons Company

Ticker: RRD  
 CUSIP: 257867-10-1  
 Meeting Date: 05/26/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
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Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Proposal regarding Non-Deductible Executive Compensation	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
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Issuer: Duke Energy Corporation  
 Ticker: DUK

CUSIP: 264399-10-6  
 Meeting Date: 05/12/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
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Approval of amendments to Company's Restated Articles of Incorporation to eliminate classification of Company's Board of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Issuer: E. I. Du Pont De Nemours and Company

Ticker: DD  
 CUSIP: 263534-10-9  
 Meeting Date: 04/27/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
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Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Proposal on Government Service	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
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Proposal on International Workplace Standards	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
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Proposal on Executive Compensation	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
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Proposal on Animal Testing	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
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Proposal on Genetically Modified Food	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
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Proposal on Performance-Based Options	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
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Proposal on Disclosure of PFOA Costs	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
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Issuer: Emerson Electric Company  
 Ticker: EMR

CUSIP: 291011-10-4  
 Meeting Date: 02/01/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
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Approval of Restricted Stock Plan for Non-Mgmt. Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Re-Approve performance measures under the Company Annual Incentive Plan	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Proposal to Re-write Company Policy	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
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to bar sexual discrimination

Issuer: Enzon Pharmaceuticals

Ticker: ENZN

CUSIP: 293904-10-8

Meeting Date: 12/7/2004

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: Exxon Mobil Corporation

Ticker: XOM

CUSIP: 30231G-10-2

Meeting Date: 05/25/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal regarding Political Contributions	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal regarding Board Compensation	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal regarding Industry Experience	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal regarding ACEH Security Report	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal regarding Amendment of EEO Policy	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal regarding Biodiversity Impact Report	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal regarding Climate Science Report	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal regarding Kyoto Compliance Report	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR

Issuer: Fifth Third Bancorp

Ticker: FITB

CUSIP: 316773-10-0

Meeting Date: 03/22/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Reduce default number of directors & reduce the minimum number of directors that the Board may set without shareholder approval.	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: Gannett

Ticker: GCI

CUSIP: 364730-10-1

Meeting Date: 04/14/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Adopt policy stating that a significant portion of future stock option grants to senior executives be performance-based.	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Provide that director nominees shall be elected by the affirmative vote of the majority of votes cast at annual meeting of shareholders.	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR

Issuer: Genentech



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Ticker: DNA				
CUSIP: 368710-40-6				
Meeting Date: 04/14/2005				
Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Issuer: General Electric Company				
Ticker: GE				
CUSIP: 369604-10-3				
Meeting Date: 04/27/2005				
Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal regarding Cumulative Voting	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal regarding report on Nuclear Risk	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal regarding report on PCB Cleanup Costs	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal regarding Curbing Over-Extended Directors	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal regarding Report on Sustainability	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal regarding Disclosure of Political Contributions	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal regarding Animal Testing	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Issuer: HCA, Inc.				
Ticker: HCA				
CUSIP: 404119-10-9				
Meeting Date: 05/26/2005				
Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Consideration of Company 2005 Equity Incentive Plan	MGMT	YES	AGNST	AGNST
Issuer: Illinois Tool Works, Inc.				
Ticker: ITW				
CUSIP: 452308-10-9				
Meeting Date: 05/06/2005				
Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal regarding implementation of certain business principles for workers in China	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal requiring a majority vote for election of directors	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Issuer: Intel Corporation				
Ticker: INTC				
CUSIP: 458140-10-0				
Meeting Date: 05/18/2005				
Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Amendment and extension of the 2004 Equity Incentive Plan	MGMT	YES	AGNST	AGNST
Amendment and extension of the Executive Officer Incentive Plan	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

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Issuer: Investors Financial Services Corp.

Ticker: IFIN

CUSIP: 461915-10-0

Meeting Date: 04/14/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Approve 2005 Equity Incentive Plan	MGMT	YES	AGNST	AGNST
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: Johnson & Johnson

Ticker: JNJ

CUSIP: 478160-10-4

Meeting Date: 04/28/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Approve 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan	MGMT	YES	AGNST	AGNST
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: Keyspan Corporation

Ticker: KSE

CUSIP: 49337W-10-0

Meeting Date: 05/20/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: Laboratory Corp. of America Holdings

Ticker: LH

CUSIP: 50540R-40-9

Meeting Date: 05/18/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: Lucent Technologies

Ticker: LU

CUSIP: 549463-10-7

Meeting Date: 02/16/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Amend Restated Certificate of Incorporation authorizing Board of Directors to effect a reverse stock split	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal regarding Publication of Political Action Contributions	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal regarding Performance-Based Compensation Awards	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal to amend Company's Audit Services Pre-Approval Policy	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal to require Shareowner Approval of Future Golden Parachutes	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR

Issuer: Martin Marietta Materials, Inc.

Ticker: MLM

CUSIP: 573284-10-6

Meeting Date: 05/24/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

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Issuer: MDU Resources Group, Inc.

Ticker: MDU

CUSIP: 552690-10-9

Meeting Date: 04/26/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Re-approve the material terms of the performance goals under the 1997 Executive Long-Term Incentive Plan	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: MedImmune, Inc.

Ticker: MEDI

CUSIP: 584699-10-2

Meeting Date: 05/19/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Amendment to the 2004 Stock Incentive Plan	MGMT	YES	AGNST	AGNST
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: Medtronic, Inc.

Ticker: MDT

CUSIP: 585055-10-6

Meeting Date: 8/26/2004

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal regarding elimination of charitable contributions	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR

Issuer: Microsoft Corporation

Ticker: MSFT

CUSIP: 594918-10-4

Meeting Date: 11/9/2004

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Consider and vote on proposed amendments to 2001 Stock Plan and 1991 Stock Option Plan	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Consideration of proposed amendments to 1999 Stock Plan for Non-Employee Directors, Stock Option Plan for Non-Employee Directors and Stock Option Plan for Consultants & Advisors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Consideration of material terms of the performance criteria for awards under the 2001 Stock Plan	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Company (3M)

Ticker: MMM

CUSIP: 885794-10-1

Meeting Date: 05/10/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Approve Adoption of 2005 Management Stock Ownership Program	MGMT	YES	AGNST	AGNST
Proposal regarding animal testing	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR

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Proposal regarding commitment of SHLDR YES AGNST FOR  
company to a thorough set of human  
and labor rights standards for China

Issuer: Murphy Oil Corporation

Ticker: MUR

CUSIP: 626717-10-2

Meeting Date: 05/11/2005

Election of Directors MGMT YES FOR ALL FOR

Proposed amendment to Company's MGMT YES FOR FOR

Certificate of Incorporation to  
increase the number of authorized  
shares of Common Stock

Ratification of appt. of Ind. MGMT YES FOR FOR

Auditors

Issuer: Newell Rubbermaid Inc.

Ticker: NWL

CUSIP: 651229-10-6

Meeting Date: 05/11/2005

Election of Directors MGMT YES FOR ALL FOR

Ratification of appt. of Ind. MGMT YES FOR FOR

Auditors

Proposal regarding Declassification SHLDR YES FOR AGNST

of Board of Directors and  
establishment of annual elections of  
directors

Issuer: North Fork Bancorporation,  
Inc.

Ticker: NFB

CUSIP: 659424-10-5

Meeting Date: 05/03/2005

Election of Directors MGMT YES FOR ALL FOR

Amendment fo Certificate of MGMT YES FOR FOR

Incorporation to increase number of  
authorized shares of common stock

Ratification of appt. of Ind. MGMT YES FOR FOR

Auditors

Issuer: Oracle Corporation

Ticker: ORCL

CUSIP: 68389X-10-5

Meeting Date: 10/29/2004

Election of Directors MGMT YES FOR ALL FOR

Approve adoption of Fiscal Year 2005 MGMT YES FOR FOR

Executive Bonus Plan

Ratification of appt. of Ind. MGMT YES FOR FOR

Auditors

Approve Amended & Restated 2000 Long- MGMT YES AGNST AGNST

Term Equity Incentive Plan

Proposal on adoption of "China SHLDR YES AGNST FOR

Business Principles for Rights of  
Workers in China".

Issuer: Parker-Hannifin Corporation

Ticker: PH

CUSIP: 701094-10-4

Meeting Date: 10/27/2004

Election of Directors MGMT YES FOR ALL FOR

Ratification of appt. of Ind. MGMT YES FOR FOR

Auditors

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Approve 2004 Non-Employee Directors' Stock Incentive Plan	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Issuer: Pepsico, Inc.

Ticker: PEP

CUSIP: 713448-10-8

Meeting Date: 05/04/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
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Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Proposal regarding Political Contributions	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
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Issuer: Petroleum & Resources Corporation

Ticker: PEO

CUSIP: 716549-10-0

Meeting Date: 04/27/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
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Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Approve adoption of 2005 Equity Incentive Compensation Plan	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Issuer: Pfizer Inc.

Ticker: PFE

CUSIP: 717081-10-3

Meeting Date: 04/28/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
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Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Proposal relating to Term Limits for Directors	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
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Proposal requesting a report on Increasing access to Pfizer Products	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
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Proposal relating to importation of prescription drugs	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
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Proposal relating to political contributions	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
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Proposal relating to product availability in Canada	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
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Proposal relating to the separation of the roles of Chair and CEO and access to pharmaceutical products	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
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Issuer: Procter & Gamble

Ticker: PG

CUSIP: 742718-10-9

Meeting Date: 10/12/2004

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
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Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Proposal to amend the Company's amended Articles of Incorporation to increase authorized shares of common stock	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Proposal to amend the Company's Code of Regulations to reflect annual election of directors and eliminate staggered board.	MGMT	YES	FOR	AGNST
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Proposal from PETA to change P&G's research policies for IAMS brand	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
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Issuer: Procter & Gamble (Proposed  
merger with Gillette)  
Ticker: PG  
CUSIP: 742718-10-9  
Meeting Date: 07/12/2005  
Proposal to adopt the Agreement and  
Plan of Merger dated as of 01/27/2005

MGMT YES FOR FOR

Issuer: Provident Bankshares  
Corporation

Ticker: PBKS  
CUSIP: 743859-10-0  
Meeting Date: 05/18/2005

Election of Directors MGMT YES FOR ALL FOR  
Ratification of appt. of Ind. MGMT YES FOR FOR  
Auditors

Issuer: Rohm and Haas Company  
Ticker: ROH

CUSIP: 775371-10-7  
Meeting Date: 05/02/2005

Election of Directors MGMT YES FOR ALL FOR  
Adoption of 2005 Non-employee MGMT YES FOR FOR  
Directors' Stock Plan  
Adoption of 2005 Non-Qualified MGMT YES FOR FOR  
Savings Plan  
Ratification of appt. of Ind. MGMT YES FOR FOR  
Auditors

Issuer: The Ryland Group, Inc.  
Ticker: RYL

CUSIP: 783764-10-3  
Meeting Date: 04/20/2005

Election of Directors MGMT YES FOR ALL FOR  
Approve 2005 Equity Incentive Plan MGMT YES FOR FOR  
Proposal to increase total number of SHLDR YES FOR FOR  
authorized shares of common stock by  
120,000,000 for an aggregate of  
200,000,000 shares.  
Proposal regarding energy efficiency SHLDR YES AGNST FOR  
and reduction of greenhouse gas  
emissions.

Issuer: Safeway Inc.

Ticker: SWY  
CUSIP: 786514-20-8  
Meeting Date: 05/25/2005

Election of Directors MGMT YES FOR ALL FOR  
Ratification of appt. of Ind. MGMT YES FOR FOR  
Auditors  
Proposal regarding cumulative voting SHLDR YES AGNST FOR  
Proposal regarding sale of Safeway SHLDR YES AGNST FOR  
Proposal regarding independent SHLDR YES AGNST FOR  
director as chairman of the board  
Proposal regarding sustainability SHLDR YES AGNST FOR  
report  
Proposal regarding director SHLDR YES AGNST FOR  
compensation  
Proposal regarding director election SHLDR YES AGNST FOR  
majority vote  
Proposal regarding independent board SHLDR YES AGNST FOR

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committees  
 Proposal regarding office of the SHLDR YES AGNST FOR  
 board of directors

Issuer: Sapient Corporation

Ticker: SAPE

CUSIP: 803062-10-8

Meeting Date: 05/24/2005

Election of Directors MGMT YES FOR ALL FOR

Approval of Company's 2005 Employee MGMT YES FOR FOR

Stock Purchase Plan and reservation  
 of shares of Common Stock for  
 issuance thereunder

Ratification of appt. of Ind. MGMT YES FOR FOR

Auditors

Issuer: SBC Communications Inc.

Ticker: SBC

CUSIP: 78387G-10-3

Meeting Date: 04/29/2005

Election of Directors MGMT YES FOR ALL FOR

Ratification of appt. of Ind. MGMT YES FOR FOR

Auditors

Approval of Stock Purchase and MGMT YES FOR FOR  
 Deferral Plan

Request for the Company to provide a SHLDR YES AGNST FOR

report updated semi-annually  
 regarding political contributions

Proposal regarding opposition to SHLDR YES AGNST FOR

excessive pay packages for top  
 executives

Proposal regarding performance and SHLDR YES AGNST FOR

time-based restricted shares

Proposal regarding adoption of simple SHLDR YES AGNST FOR

majority vote

Issuer: Schlumberger Limited

Ticker: SLB

CUSIP: 806857-10-8

Meeting Date: 04/13/2005

Election of Directors MGMT YES FOR ALL FOR

Approval of Company's Consolidated MGMT YES FOR FOR

Balance Sheet, Consolidated Statement  
 of Income and Declaration of  
 Dividends

Adoption of amendments to the MGMT YES FOR FOR

Articles of Incorporation: (a)

revisions to comply with changes in  
 Netherlands Antilles law; (b)

revisions to take advantage of the  
 flexibility provided by Netherlands

Antilles law OR clarify or update  
 provisions of Company Articles of  
 Incorporation.

Adoption of 2005 Stock Option Plan MGMT YES AGNST AGNST

Approve adoption of amendment to MGMT YES FOR FOR

Discounted Stock Purchase Plan

Ratification of appt. of Ind. MGMT YES FOR FOR

Auditors

Issuer: Siebel Systems, Inc.

Ticker: SEBL

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CUSIP: 826170-10-2  
 Meeting Date: 06/08/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: Solectron Corporation  
 Ticker: 834182-10-7  
 CUSIP: SLR

Meeting Date: 01/13/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: Smurfit-Stone Container Corporation  
 Ticker: SSCC

CUSIP: 832727-10-1  
 Meeting Date: 05/11/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: Sun Microsystems  
 Ticker: SUNW

CUSIP: 866810-10-4  
 Meeting Date: 11/10/2004

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: Symantec  
 Ticker: SYMC

CUSIP: 871503-10-8  
 Meeting Date: 09/15/2004

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Approve the increase of authorized shares	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Approve adoption of 2004 Equity Incentive Plan & reservation of common stock for issuance	MGMT	YES	AGNST	AGNST
Approve amendments to 2000 Director Equity Incentive Plan	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: Symantec (Special Mtg.)  
 Ticker: SYMC

CUSIP: 871503-10-8  
 Meeting Date: 06/24/2005

Proposal to approve the issuance and reservation for issuance of shares of Symantec common stock to holders of VERITAS Software Corp. securities	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal to approve amendments to Symantec's certificate of incorporation to increase the authorized number of shares of common stock of Symantec	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: Target Corporation  
 Ticker: TGT



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CUSIP: 87612E-10-6

Meeting Date: 05/18/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: Unilever PLC

Ticker: UL

CUSIP: 904767-70-4

Meeting Date: 05/11/2005

Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2004	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Approval of the Remuneration Report for the year ended 31 December 2004	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Declaration of dividend	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Re-election of Executive Director: Mr P. J. Cescau	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
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Re-election of Executive Director: Mr. C. J. van der Graaf	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
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Re-election of Executive Director: Mr. R. H. P. Markham	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
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Election of Executive Director: Mr. R. D. Kugler	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
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Election of Non-Executive Director: Mr. A. Burgmans	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
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Re-election of Non-Executive Directors: The Rt Hon The Lord Brittan of Spennithorne QC DL	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
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Re-election of Non-Executive Directors: The Rt Hon The Baroness Chalker of Wallasey	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
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Re-election of Non-Executive Directors: Mr. B. Collomb	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
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Re-election of Non-Executive Directors: Professor W Dik	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
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Re-election of Non-Executive Directors: Mr. O. Fanjul	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
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Re-election of Non-Executive Directors: Mr. H. Kopper	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
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Re-election of Non-Executive Directors: The Lord Simon of Highbury CBE	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
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Re-election of Non-Executive Directors: Mr. J van der Veer	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Authorize Directors to fix the remuneration of the Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Directors' authority to issue shares	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Disapplication of pre-emption rights	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Company's authority to purchase its own shares	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Changes to Articles in relation to Group Chief Executive	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Changes to Articles in relation to Directors' Indemnification	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Company Global Performance Share Plan 2005	MGMT	YES	AGNST	AGNST
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Company PLC 2005 ShareSave Plan	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Issuer: United Parcel Service, Inc.

Ticker: UPS

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CUSIP: 911312-10-6

Meeting Date: 05/05/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: United Technologies Corporation

Ticker: UTX

CUSIP: 913017-10-9

Meeting Date: April 13, 2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Approval of 2005 Long Term Incentive Plan	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal concerning disclosure of Executive Compensation	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal concerning Ethical Criteria for Military Contracts	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal concerning CEO Compensation	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR

Issuer: Vodafone Group Plc

Ticker: VOD

CUSIP: 92857W-10-0

Meeting Date: 07/27/2004

Recpt. of rpt. of dirs. & financial statements for year ended 03/31/2004	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Approval of Remuneration Rpt. for year ended 03/31/04	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Retirement and re-election of director: Peter Bamford	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Retirement and re-election of director: Julian Horn-Smith	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Retirement and re-election of director: Sir David Scholey CBE	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Retirement and re-election of director: Luc Vandeveld	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Proposal regarding declaration of final dividend	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Auth. For Audit Committee to determine the remuneration of auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal to auth. Co. to make donations to EU Political Organizations or incur EU Political Expenditure	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal regarding authority to allot shares	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal regarding disapplication of pre-emption rights	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal regarding approval of market purchases of ordinary shares	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal regarding approval of contingent purchase contracts and off-market purchases by Company of ordinary shares	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: Wachovia Corporation (Merger)

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Ticker: WB

CUSIP: 929903-10-2

Meeting Date: 10/28/2004

Approve plan of merger between SouthTrust Corp. and Wachovia, pursuant to which SouthTrust will merge with and into Wachovia.	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
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Issuer: Wachovia Corporation

Ticker: WB

CUSIP: 929903-10-2

Meeting Date: 04/19/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR

Issuer: Wells Fargo & Company

Ticker: WFC

CUSIP: 949746-10-1

Meeting Date: 04/26/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Amended and restated Long-Term Incentive Compensation Plan	MGMT	YES	AGNST	AGNST
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal regarding payday lending	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal regarding executive compensation and predatory lending	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal regarding performance shares	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal regarding chief executive officer compensation	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal regarding separation of Board Chair and CEO positions	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR

Issuer: Wilmington Trust Corporation

Ticker: WL

CUSIP: 971807-10-2

Meeting Date: 04/21/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Approval of 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan	MGMT	YES	AGNST	AGNST

Issuer: Wyeth

Ticker: WYE

CUSIP: 983024-10-0

Meeting Date: 04/21/2005

Election of Directors	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Adoption of 2005 Stock Incentive Plan	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal regarding reimportation of prescription drugs	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal regarding separating the roles of Chairman & CEO	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal regarding the disclosure of political contributions	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR
Proposal regarding discontinuation of Premarin and protection of mares	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR

Issuer: Zimmer Holdings, Inc.

Ticker: ZMH

CUSIP: 98956P-10-2

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Meeting Date: 05/02/2005

Election of Director	MGMT	YES	FOR ALL	FOR
Proposal to amend TeamShare Stock Option Plan	MGMT	YES	AGNST	AGNST
Ratification of appt. of Ind. Auditors	MGMT	YES	FOR	FOR
Proposal relating to Auditor Independence	SHLDR	YES	AGNST	FOR

### SIGNATURES:

Pursuant to the requirements of the Investment Company Act of 1940, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

THE ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY

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(Registrant)

BY: /s/ Douglas G. Ober

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Douglas G. Ober  
Chief Executive Officer  
(Principal Executive Officer)

Date: July 20, 2005