

WHIRLPOOL CORP /DE/

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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 14A

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

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the  
Shareholder Meeting to Be Held on April 19, 2016

Meeting Information

Meeting Type: Annual Meeting

For holders as of: February 22, 2016

Date: April 19, 2016 Time: 8:00AM (Chicago  
Time)

Location: 120 E. Delaware Place

8th Floor

Chicago, IL 60611

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

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--- Before You Vote ---

How to Access the Proxy Materials

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How to View  
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- 2) BY TELEPHONE: 1-800-579-1639
- 3) BY E-MAIL\*: [sendmaterial@proxyvote.com](mailto:sendmaterial@proxyvote.com)

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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 April 5, 2016 to facilitate timely delivery.

--- How To Vote ---

Please Choose One of the Following Voting Methods

**Vote In Person:** Many stockholder 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](http://www.proxyvote.com).

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**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 Directors

Nominees:

1a. Samuel R. Allen

1b. Marc R. Bitzer

1c. Gary T.  
DiCamillo

1d. Diane M. Dietz

1e. Gerri T. Elliott

1f. Jeff M. Fetting

1g. Michael F.  
Johnston

1h. John D. Liu

1i. Harish Manwani

1j. William D. Perez

1k. Michael D.  
White

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

2. Advisory vote to approve Whirlpool's executive compensation.

3. Ratification of the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as Whirlpool's independent registered public accounting firm for 2016.

Note: I also authorize my proxies to vote in their discretion with regard to such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

