

CRYOLIFE INC  
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UNITED STATES  
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The following material may be provided to CryoLife shareholders in connection with solicitations regarding the proposal to approve CryoLife's executive compensation to be presented at its May 18, 2011 annual meeting of shareholders:

1. Glass Lewis recommended in favor of management's executive compensation recommendation while ISS recommended against the matter.
  
  2. ISS' methodology for calculating executive compensation is inconsistent with the SEC's guidelines on how executive compensation should be calculated. If you calculate our CEO's compensation under SEC guidelines, his compensation actually increased only 0.1% from 2008-2010, compared to the 4% increase from 2009 to 2010 utilizing ISS' methodology.
  
  3. ISS recommendations don't take into account the Company's recent steps taken to accelerate revenue and earnings growth.
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