

SYSCO CORP  
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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549  
SCHEDULE 14A**

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**IMPORTANT NOTICE Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Shareholder Meeting to be Held on November 18, 2009**  
**SYSCO CORPORATION**

*SYSCO CORPORATION*  
*1390 ENCLAVE PARKWAY*  
*HOUSTON, TX 77077-2099*  
*ATTN: LEGAL DEPT.*

**Meeting Information**

**MeetingType:** Annual  
**For holders as of:** September 21, 2009  
**Date:** November 18, 2009 **Time:** 10:00 AM  
**Location:** The St. Regis Hotel  
1919 Briar Oaks Lane  
Houston, Texas 77027

**Meeting Directions:** For meeting directions, please call 713-840-7600 or 877-787-3447

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**Before You Vote**

How to Access the Proxy Materials

**Proxy Materials Available to VIEW or RECEIVE:**

NOTICE AND PROXY STATEMENT      ANNUAL REPORT

**How to View Online:**

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- 1) *BY INTERNET:*                      *www.proxyvote.com*
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**Vote In Person:** Many shareholder 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*. Have the 12 Digit Control Number available and follow the instructions.

**Vote By Phone:** To vote by phone, go to *www.proxyvote.com* where the proxy materials and telephone voting instructions are available. You may also request a paper copy of the proxy materials and telephone voting instructions.

**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 a vote FOR each of the nominees for director, FOR proposals 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 and AGAINST proposal 7.**

1. Election of Directors to serve until the Annual Meeting of Stockholders in 2012

**Nominees:**

- 1a. Jonathan Golden
  - 1b. Joseph A. Hafner, Jr.
  - 1c. Nancy S. Newcomb
  - 1d. Kenneth F. Spitler
  2. To approve the 2009 Non-Employee Directors Stock Plan;
  3. To authorize amendments to Sysco's 2007 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended;
  4. To approve the material terms of, and the payment of compensation to certain executive officers pursuant to, the 2009 Management Incentive Plan, so that the deductibility of such compensation will not be limited by Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code;
  5. To ratify the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as Sysco's independent accountants for fiscal 2010;
  6. To consider and approve an advisory proposal relating to the company's executive compensation philosophy, policies and procedures;
  7. To consider a stockholder proposal, if presented at the meeting, requesting that the Board of Directors adopt certain principles for health care reform; and
  8. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.
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