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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

APRIL 12, 2012

Dear Stockholder:

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the Meeting) of Lightbridge Corporation, a Nevada corporation (the Company), will be held on Thursday, April 12, 2012, at 11:00 a.m., local time, at the offices of Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP located at 2300 N Street, N.W., Washington, DC, 20037, USA for the following purposes:

1. To elect five persons to the Board of Directors of the Company, each to serve until the next annual meeting of stockholders of the Company or until such person shall resign, be removed or otherwise leave office;
2. To ratify the selection by the Audit Committee of Child, Van Wagoner & Bradshaw PLLC as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2012;
3. To have an advisory vote on executive compensation;
4. To transact such other business as may properly come before the Meeting or any adjournment thereof.

If you owned our common stock at the close of business on February 13, 2012, you may attend and vote at the meeting.

A Proxy Statement describing the matters to be considered at the Meeting is attached to this Notice. Our 2011 Annual Report accompanies this Notice, but it is not deemed to be part of the Proxy Statement.

Your vote is important. Whether or not you plan to attend the meeting, I hope that you will vote as soon as possible. You may vote your shares by either completing, signing and returning the accompanying proxy card or casting your vote via a toll-free telephone number or over the Internet.

Sincerely,

/s/Thomas Graham, Jr.

Thomas Graham, Jr.
Chairman and Corporate Secretary

**IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING THE AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIALS FOR THE
STOCKHOLDER
MEETING TO BE HELD ON APRIL 12, 2012**

This Notice and Proxy Statement and our 2011 Annual Report are available online at <http://www.edocumentview.com/LTBR>.

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PROXY STATEMENT

The Board of Directors of Lightbridge Corporation, a Nevada corporation (the Company, Lightbridge or we) is furnishing this Proxy Statement and the accompanying proxy to you to solicit your proxy for the 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the Meeting). The Meeting will be held on Thursday, April 12, 2012, at 11:00 a.m., local time, at the offices of Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP located at 2300 N Street, N.W., Washington, DC, 20037, USA.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT THE ANNUAL MEETING

What is this proxy statement?

You have received this proxy statement and our annual report because our Board of Directors is soliciting your proxy to vote your shares at the annual meeting. This proxy statement includes information that we are required to provide to you under the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and that is designed to assist you in voting your shares.

What is the purpose of the annual meeting?

At the annual meeting, our stockholders will act upon the matters described in this proxy statement. These actions include the election of directors; ratification of the appointment of the independent registered public accounting firm (which we sometimes refer to as the independent auditors); and an advisory (that is, nonbinding) vote on executive compensation. An additional purpose of the annual meeting is to transact any other business that may properly come before the annual meeting and any and all adjournments or postponements of the annual meeting.

Who can attend the annual meeting?

All stockholders of record at the close of business on February 13, 2012, the record date, or their duly appointed proxies, may attend the annual meeting.

What proposals will be voted on at the annual meeting? Stockholders will vote on three proposals at the annual meeting:

- the election of directors;
- the ratification of Child, Van Wagoner & Bradshaw PLLC as the Company's independent auditors for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2012; and
- an advisory vote on executive compensation.

What are the Board's recommendations? Our Board recommends that you vote:

- **FOR** election of the nominated directors;
- **FOR** ratification of Child, Van Wagoner & Bradshaw PLLC as the Company's independent auditors for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2012;
- **FOR** approval of the compensation of our named executive officers.

Will there be any other business on the agenda?

The Board knows of no other matters that are likely to be brought before the annual meeting. If any other matters properly come before the annual meeting, however, the persons named in the enclosed proxy, or their duly appointed substitute acting at the annual meeting, will be authorized to vote or otherwise act on those matters in accordance with their judgment.

Who is entitled to vote?

Only stockholders of record at the close of business on February 13, 2012, which we refer to as the record date, are entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the annual meeting. As of the record date, there were 12,427,220 shares of our common stock outstanding. Holders of common stock as of the record date are entitled to one vote for each share held for each of the proposals.

What is the difference between holding shares as a stockholder of record and as a beneficial owner?

Stockholder of Record. If your shares are registered directly in your name with our transfer agent, Computershare Trust Company, you are considered, with respect to those shares, the stockholder of record. This proxy and our Annual Report has been sent directly to you by us.

Beneficial Owner. If your shares are held in a stock brokerage account or by a bank or other nominee, you are considered the beneficial owner of shares held in street name. This proxy and the Annual Report have been forwarded to you by your broker, bank or nominee who is considered, with respect to those shares, the stockholder of record. As the beneficial owner, you have the right to direct your broker, bank or nominee how to vote your shares by using the voting instructions included in with your proxy materials.

How do I vote my shares?

Stockholders can vote in person at the annual meeting or by proxy. There are three ways to vote by proxy:

- **By Telephone** Stockholders located in the United States can vote by telephone by calling the number listed on your enclosed proxy card and following the instructions;
- **By Internet** You can vote over the Internet going to the link provided on your enclosed proxy card and following the instructions; or
- **By Mail** You can vote by mail by signing, dating and mailing the enclosed proxy card.

Telephone and Internet voting facilities for stockholders of record will be available 24 hours a day and will close at 11:59 p.m. (EST) on April 11, 2012.

If your shares are held in the name of a bank, broker or other holder of record, you will receive instructions from the holder of record. You must follow the instructions of the holder of record in order for your shares to be voted. Telephone and Internet voting also will be offered to stockholders owning shares through certain banks and brokers. If your shares are not registered in your own name and you plan to vote your shares in person at the annual meeting, you should contact your broker or agent to obtain a legal proxy or broker's proxy card and bring it to the annual meeting in order to vote.

If you vote by proxy, the individuals named on the proxy card (your proxies) will vote your shares in the manner you indicate. You may specify how your shares should be voted for each of the proposals. If you grant a proxy without indicating your instructions, your shares will be voted as follows:

- **FOR** the election of the three nominees for director;
- **FOR** the ratification of Child, Van Wagoner & Bradshaw PLLC as the Company's independent auditors for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2012;
- **FOR** the approval of the compensation of our named executive officers.

You may revoke or change your proxy at any time before it is exercised by (1) delivering to us a signed proxy card with a date later than your previously delivered proxy, (2) voting in person at the Annual Meeting, (3) granting a subsequent proxy through the Internet or telephone, or (4) sending a written revocation to the Corporate Secretary. Your most current proxy card or telephone or Internet proxy is the one that is counted. Each share of common stock is entitled to one vote. The record date for determining stockholders entitled to notice of and to vote at the annual meeting is February 13, 2012. As of that date, there were 12,427,220 shares of our common stock outstanding.

What constitutes a quorum?

A quorum is the presence, in person or by proxy, of the holders of a majority of the shares of the common stock entitled to vote. Under Nevada law, an abstaining vote and a broker non-vote are counted as present and are, therefore, included for purposes of determining whether a quorum of shares is present at the annual meeting.

What is a broker non-vote and what is its effect on voting?

If you are a beneficial owner of shares held in street name and do not provide the organization that holds your shares with specific voting instructions, under the rules of various national and regional securities exchanges, the organization that holds your shares may generally vote on routine matters but cannot vote on non-routine matters. If the organization that holds your shares does not receive instructions from you on how to vote your shares on a non-routine matter, the organization that holds your shares does not have the authority to vote on the matter with

respect to those shares. This is generally referred to as a broker non-vote. Proposal 2 (ratification of auditors) involves a matter that we believe will be considered routine. All other proposals involve matters that we believe will be considered non-routine. We encourage you to provide voting instructions to the organization that holds your shares by carefully following the instructions provided on your proxy card.

What is required to approve each item?

- For Proposal No. 1 (election of directors), each director must be elected by a majority of votes cast with respect to such director (i.e., the number of shares voted for a director nominee must exceed the number of votes withheld from that nominee). Abstentions and broker non-votes are not counted for purposes of the election of directors.
- For Proposal No. 2 (ratification of independent auditors) and Proposal No. 3 (advisory vote on executive compensation), the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the stockholders' shares present in person or represented by proxy at the meeting and entitled to vote, is required.
- For any other matters on which stockholders are entitled to vote, the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the stockholders' shares present in person or represented by proxy at the meeting and entitled to vote, is required.

For the purpose of determining whether the stockholders have approved matters other than the election of directors, abstentions are treated as shares present or represented and voting, so abstaining has the same effect as a negative vote. If stockholders hold their shares through a broker, bank or other nominee and do not instruct them how to vote, the broker may have authority to vote the shares for routine matters.

Stockholders may not cumulate votes in the election of directors, which means that each stockholder may vote no more than the number of shares he or she owns for a single director candidate.

Our bylaws require that, in uncontested elections, each director be elected by the majority of votes cast with respect to such director. This means that the number of shares voted for a director nominee must exceed the number of votes withheld from that nominee in order for that nominee to be elected. Only votes for or withheld are counted as votes cast with respect to a director. Abstentions and broker non-votes will have no effect.

How will shares of common stock represented by properly executed proxies be voted?

All shares of common stock represented by proper proxies will, unless such proxies have previously been revoked, be voted in accordance with the instructions indicated in such proxies. If you do not provide voting instructions, your shares will be voted in accordance with the Board's recommendations as set forth herein. In addition, if any other matters properly come before the annual meeting, the persons named in the enclosed proxy, or their duly appointed substitute acting at the annual meeting, will be authorized to vote or otherwise act on those matters in accordance with their judgment.

Can I change my vote or revoke my proxy?

Any stockholder executing a proxy has the power to revoke such proxy at any time prior to its exercise. You may revoke your proxy prior to exercise by:

- filing with us a written notice of revocation of your proxy,
- submitting a properly signed proxy card bearing a later date,

- voting over the Internet or by telephone, or
- voting in person at the annual meeting.

What does it mean if I receive more than one Proxy?

If your shares are registered under different names or are in more than one account, you may receive more than one set of proxy materials. To ensure that all your shares are voted, please vote by telephone, through the Internet using each personal identification number you are provided, or complete, sign and date the multiple proxy cards relating to your multiple accounts. We encourage you whenever possible to have all accounts registered in the same name and address. You can accomplish this by contacting our transfer agent, Computershare Trust Company at (303) 262-0600.

Who paid for this proxy solicitation?

The cost of preparing, printing, assembling and mailing this proxy statement and other material furnished to stockholders in connection with the solicitation of proxies is borne by us.

How do I learn the results of the voting at the annual meeting?

Preliminary results will be announced at the annual meeting. Final results will be published in a Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC within four business days of the annual meeting.

How are proxies solicited?

In addition to the mail solicitation of proxies, our officers, directors, employees and agents may solicit proxies by written communication, telephone or personal call. These persons will receive no special compensation for any solicitation activities. We will reimburse banks, brokers and other persons holding common stock for their expenses in forwarding proxy solicitation materials to beneficial owners of our common stock.

What is householding?

Householding means that we deliver a single set of proxy materials when requested to households with multiple stockholders, provided certain conditions are met. Householding reduces our printing and mailing costs.

If you or another stockholder of record sharing your address would like to receive an additional copy of the proxy materials, we will promptly deliver it to you upon your request in one of the following manners:

- by sending a written request by mail to:

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Attention: Corporate Secretary

- by calling our Corporate Secretary, at 571-730-1200.

If you would like to opt out of householding in future mailings, or if you are currently receiving multiple mailings at one address and would like to request householded mailings, you may do so by contacting our Corporate Secretary as indicated above.

Can I receive future stockholder communications electronically through the Internet?

Yes. You may elect to receive future notices of meetings, proxy materials and annual reports electronically through the Internet. To consent to electronic delivery, vote your shares using the Internet. At the end of the Internet voting procedure, the on-screen Internet voting instructions will tell you how to request future stockholder communications be sent to you electronically.

Once you consent to electronic delivery, you must vote your shares using the Internet and your consent will remain in effect until withdrawn. You may withdraw this consent at any time during the voting process and resume receiving stockholder communications in print form.

Whom may I contact for further assistance?

If you have any questions about giving your proxy or require any assistance, please contact our Corporate Secretary:

- by mail, to:

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- by telephone, at 571-730-1200.

Directors and Executive Officers

Set forth below are the names of our current directors, officers and significant employees, their ages, all positions and offices that they hold with us, the period during which they have served as such, and their business experience during at least the last five years.

Name	Age	Position with the Company	Term as Director of Company
Seth Grae	49	President, CEO and Director	April 2006 Present
Thomas Graham, Jr.	78	Chairman and Corporate Secretary	April 2006 Present
Victor E. Alessi	72	Director	August 2006 Present
Jack. D. Ladd	62	Director	October 2006 Present
Daniel B. Magraw	65	Director	October 2006 Present
James Guerra	59	Chief Operating Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer	-
Andrey Mushakov	35	Executive Vice President International Nuclear Operations	-

Name	Position with the Company and Principal Occupations
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Seth Grae Mr. Grae was named the Chief Executive Officer and President of the Company on March 17, 2006, and effective April 2, 2006, became a director of the Company. Seth Grae has led the development and implementation of Lightbridge's business efforts to develop and deploy advanced nuclear fuel technologies and to provide comprehensive advisory services based on safety, non-proliferation, and transparency for emerging commercial nuclear power programs.

Mr. Grae is a member of the Civil Nuclear Trade Advisory Committee to the U.S. Secretary of Commerce and he is a member of the Nuclear Energy Institute's Suppliers Advisory Committee and Trade Advocacy Task Force. He is also a member of the Dean's Advisory Council at the Washington College of Law at American University. Mr. Grae has served as Vice Chair of the Governing Board of the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists and as Co-Chair of the American Bar Association's Arms Control and Disarmament Committee. He has also been a member of the Board of Directors of the Lawyers Alliance for World Security. Mr. Grae reviews the work of the Company's principal financial and accounting officers on significant matters related to the Company's financial position and results of operations, and the presentation of its financial statements.

Thomas Graham, Jr. Ambassador Graham became a director of the Company on April 2, 2006, and chairman of the board of directors on April 4, 2006. Ambassador Graham served as a member of the board of directors of Thorium Power, Inc., from 1997 until the merger with the Company. Ambassador Graham is one of the world's leading experts on nuclear non-proliferation. Ambassador Graham has served as a senior U.S. diplomat involved in the negotiation of every major international arms control and non-proliferation agreement involving the United States during the period from 1970 to 1997, including the Strategic Arms Limitations Talks (the Interim Agreement on Strategic Offensive Arms, the Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty, and the Salt II Treaty), Strategic Arms Reduction Talks (the Start I Treaty and the Start II Treaty), Intermediate Nuclear Forces Treaty, Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty Extension, Conventional Armed Forces in Europe Treaty, and the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty. In 1993, Ambassador Graham served as the Acting Director of the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency (ACDA), and for seven months in 1994 served as the Acting Deputy Director. From 1994 through 1997, he served as the Special Representative of the President of the United States for Arms Control, Non-Proliferation and Disarmament, and in this capacity successfully led U.S. government efforts to achieve the permanent extension of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty in 1995. He also served for 15 years as the general counsel of ACDA. Ambassador Graham worked on the negotiation of the Chemical Weapons Convention and the Biological Weapons Convention. He drafted the implementing legislation for the Biological Weapons Convention and managed the Senate approval of the ratification of the Geneva Protocol banning the use in war of chemical and biological weapons. In 2009, Mr. Graham was appointed as a member of the International Advisory Board for the nuclear program of the United Arab Emirates. He is also Chairman of the Board of CanAlaska Uranium Ltd. of Vancouver, Canada (Toronto: CVV: CN) a uranium exploration company. Ambassador Graham received an A.B. in 1955 from Princeton and a J.D. in 1961 from Harvard University. He is a member of the Kentucky, the District of Columbia and the New York Bars and is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. He chaired the Committee on Arms Control and Disarmament of the American Bar Association from 1986-1994. Ambassador Graham received the Trainor Award for Distinction in Diplomacy from Georgetown University in 1995 and the World Order Under Law award from the International Law Section of the American Bar Association in 2007.

Victor E. Alessi Dr. Alessi became a director of the Company on August 23, 2006. Dr. Victor E. Alessi, who holds a Ph.D. in nuclear physics, is President Emeritus of the United States Industry Coalition (USIC), an organization dedicated to facilitating the commercialization of technologies of the New Independent States (NIS) of the former Soviet Union through cooperation with its members. He has held such position since August 1, 2006; prior to becoming President Emeritus, Dr. Alessi held the positions of CEO and President of USIC since 1999. Previously, he was President of DynMeridian, a subsidiary of DynCorp, specializing in arms control, non-proliferation, and international security affairs. Before joining DynMeridian in early 1996, Dr. Alessi was the Executive Assistant to the Director, U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency (ACDA). At ACDA he resolved inter-bureau disputes, and advised the Director on all arms control and non-proliferation issues. Dr. Alessi served as Director of the Office of Arms Control and Non-proliferation in the Department of Energy (DOE) prior to his work at ACDA, overseeing all DOE arms control and non-proliferation activities. As a senior DOE representative, Dr. Alessi participated in U.S. efforts that led to successful conclusion of the Intermediate Nuclear Forces (INF), Conventional Forces in Europe, Threshold Test Ban, Peaceful Nuclear Explosions, Open Skies, Strategic Arms Reductions Talks Treaties and the Chemical Weapons Convention. In this role, he was instrumental in implementing the U.S. unilateral nuclear initiative in 1991 and was a member of the U.S. delegation discussing

nuclear disarmament with Russia and other states of the former Soviet Union. He was in charge of DOE's support to the U.N. Special Commission on Iraq, to the Nunn-Lugar Initiative, and represented DOE in discussions on the Comprehensive Test Ban (CTB) with the other nuclear weapons states before the CTB negotiations began in Geneva in 1994. Dr. Alessi served as the U.S. board member to the International Science and Technology Center in Moscow since its founding in 1992 until 2011. He is also the former U.S. board member to the Science and Technology Center in Ukraine. Dr. Alessi is a 1963 graduate of Fordham University, where he also earned a licentiate in Philosophy (Ph.L.) in 1964. He studied nuclear physics at Georgetown University, receiving his M.S. in 1968 and Ph.D. in 1969.

Jack D. Ladd

Mr. Ladd became a director of the Company on October 23, 2006. Mr. Ladd is the Dean of the School of Business of the University of Texas of the Permian Basin (UTPB), having been appointed to that position in July, 2007. Mr. Ladd was previously the Director of the John Ben Shepperd Leadership Institute of UTPB, having served as the head of that institution beginning in September, 2004. Earlier in his career Mr. Ladd was a practicing attorney with the law firm of Stubbeman, McRae, Sealy, Laughlin & Browder, Inc., in Midland, Texas. Mr. Ladd was appointed to the Texas State Securities Board in 2002 and two years later was designated its Chairman. Mr. Ladd has almost three decades of experience in public affairs, law, governance, and public service. As a practicing attorney, he has served on numerous civic, educational, religious and governmental boards and committees. He holds the Doctor of Jurisprudence degree from The University of Texas in Austin and a B.A. from the University of Texas in Austin.

Daniel B. Magraw

Mr. Magraw became a director of the Company on October 23, 2006. Mr. Magraw is a leading expert on international environmental law and policy. Mr. Magraw is a Fellow and Professorial Lecturer at the Foreign Policy Institute at Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) and President Emeritus of the Center for International Environmental Law (CIEL). Mr. Magraw was the President and CEO of CIEL from 2002-2010. From 1992-2001, he was Director of the International Environmental Law Office of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. He is a member of the Trade and Environment Policy Advisory Committee to the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative (TEPAC), chairs the American Bar Association (ABA) Section of International Law's Task Force on Magna Carta, serves as a consultant to the United Nations, was a former member of the U.S. Department of State Study Group on International Business Transactions and was Chair of the 15,000-member Section of International Law and Practice of the ABA. He practiced international law, constitutional law, and bankruptcy law at Covington & Burling in Washington, DC from 1978-1983. Mr. Magraw is a widely-published author in the field of international environmental law. He is a graduate of Harvard University and the University of California, Berkeley Law School. Since 1996, Mr. Magraw has been a member of the board of directors of Thorium Power, Inc., which is now a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company.

- James Guerra** Mr. Guerra became the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of the Company on October 29, 2007, and the Chief Operating Officer on November 14, 2008. A seasoned financial executive, Mr. Guerra's experience encompasses domestic and international markets as well as a diverse range of industries including nuclear energy. Most recently, he served as Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer of Exelon Business Services Company from 2002 to 2007. Exelon Business Services Company is the corporate services and operating company of Exelon, the largest producer of nuclear energy in the United States. From 2000-2002, Mr. Guerra served as Vice President of Business Operations and Controller of Exelon Nuclear. Prior to joining Exelon, Mr. Guerra was Vice President of Finance and Treasurer and Controller of Grupo Dina, the Mexico City-based manufacturer of trucks and the largest producer of motor coaches and bus spare parts in North America. Earlier in his career, Mr. Guerra served in senior financial management positions with AT&T, Citigroup, and Beatrice Companies. Mr. Guerra holds a B.A. in Economics from the University of Notre Dame, an M.M. in Accounting/Finance from the Kellogg School of Management of Northwestern University and is a licensed CPA in the State of Illinois.
- Andrey Mushakov** Dr. Mushakov became the Executive Vice President- International Nuclear Operations of the Company on July 27, 2006 and he oversees the nuclear fuel technology division of Lightbridge Corporation. Dr. Mushakov has been with Lightbridge since 2000, and he led Lightbridge's efforts to establish its Russian Branch Office in Moscow in 2009 and oversees its operations. He also acts as the primary liaison between Lightbridge Corporation and various Russian nuclear organizations, including Russian State Corporation Rosatom, TVEL, MSZ Electrostal, OKBM, Kurchatov Institute, and other Russian entities. Dr. Mushakov was instrumental in coordinating Lightbridge's collaborative agreements with AREVA, the world's largest nuclear energy firm, to investigate the use of thorium fuel in light water reactors and overseeing successful completion of work thereunder in 2009-2010. Dr. Mushakov has been a featured speaker at international conferences and panels on nuclear fuel technology, including the Wharton Energy Conference and the World Nuclear Fuel Cycle Conference. Before joining Lightbridge, Dr. Mushakov worked in commercial bank oversight and corporate finance in the banking and construction sectors. Dr. Mushakov earned a Ph.D. in economics from St. Petersburg State University of Economics and Finance, an M.S. in management from Hult International Business School, and a B.S. in banking and finance from the Finance Academy under the Government of Russia.

Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance

Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act requires directors, executive officers and stockholders who own more than ten percent of the outstanding Common Stock of the Company to file with the SEC and NASDAQ reports of ownership and changes in ownership of voting securities of the Company and to furnish copies of such reports to us.

Based solely on a review of the copies of such forms received by the Company, we believe that with respect to the year ended December 31, 2011, the Company's directors, officers and more than ten-percent stockholders timely filed all such required forms except as follows: Seth Grae and James Guerra filed Forms 4 for 12,568 and 7,912 shares of restricted stock and stock options for 42,604 and 26,819 shares respectively, which were granted March 19, 2011, on September 7, 2011. Andrey Mushakov filed Forms 4 for 2,726 shares of restricted stock and stock options for 9,232 shares respectively, which were granted April 11, 2011, on September 7, 2011. Thomas Graham, Jack Ladd, Victor Alessi and Daniel Magraw filed Forms 4 for 3,229 and 6,987 shares of restricted stock granted to each party on April 11, 2011 and May 5, 2011 respectively, on September 1, 2011.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Our current corporate governance practices and policies are designed to promote stockholder value and we are committed to the highest standards of corporate ethics and diligent compliance with financial accounting and reporting rules. Our Board provides independent leadership in the exercise of its responsibilities. Our management oversees a system of internal controls and compliance with corporate policies and applicable laws and regulations, and our employees operate in a climate of responsibility, candor and integrity.

Corporate Governance Guidelines

We and our Board are committed to high standards of corporate governance as an important component in building and maintaining stockholder value. To this end, we regularly review our corporate governance policies and practices to ensure that they are consistent with the high standards of other companies. We also closely monitor guidance issued or proposed by the SEC and the provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, as well as the emerging best practices of other companies. The current corporate governance guidelines are available on the Company's website www.ltbridge.com. Printed copies of our corporate governance guidelines may be obtained, without charge, by contacting the Corporate Secretary, Lightbridge Corporation, 1600 Tysons Boulevard, Suite 550, Tysons Corner, Virginia 22102 USA.

The Board and Committees of the Board

The Company is governed by the Board that currently consists of five members: Seth Grae, Thomas Graham, Victor Alessi, Jack Ladd and Daniel Magraw. The Board has established four Committees: the Audit Committee, the Compensation Committee, the Nominating and Governance Committee and the Executive Committee. Each of the Audit Committee, Compensation Committee and Nominating and Governance Committee are comprised entirely of independent directors. From time to time, the Board may establish other committees. The Board has adopted a written charter for each of the Committees which are available on the Company's website www.ltbridge.com. Printed copies of these charters may be obtained, without charge, by contacting the Corporate Secretary, Lightbridge Corporation, 1600 Tysons Boulevard, Suite 550, Tysons Corner, Virginia 22102 USA.

Governance Structure

The Company has chosen to separate the roles of the Chairman of the Board of Directors and the Chief Executive Officer, though our current Chairman, Thomas Graham, Jr., is a member of the Company's executive management. We have chosen to implement such a governance structure to allow our Chief Executive Officer the ability to focus the majority of his time and efforts on the day to day operations of the Company. We believe that this governance structure has served the Company's shareholders well over the years.

We encourage our shareholders to learn more about our Company's governance practices at our website, www.ltbridge.com.

The Board's Role in Risk Oversight

The Board oversees that the assets of the Company are properly safeguarded, that the appropriate financial and other controls are maintained, and that the Company's business is conducted wisely and in compliance with applicable laws and regulations and proper governance. Included in these responsibilities is the Board of Directors' oversight of the various risks facing the Company. In this regard, the Board seeks to understand and oversee critical business risks. The Board does not view risk in isolation. Risks are considered in virtually every business decision and as part of the Company's business strategy. The Board recognizes that it is neither possible nor prudent to eliminate all risk. Indeed, purposeful and appropriate risk-taking is essential for the Company to be competitive on a global basis and to achieve its objectives.

While the Board oversees risk management, Company management is charged with managing risk. The Company has robust internal processes and a strong internal control environment to identify and manage risks and to communicate with the Board. The Board and the Audit Committee monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of the internal controls and the risk management program at least annually. Management communicates routinely with the Board, Board Committees and individual Directors on the significant risks identified and how they are being managed. Directors are free to, and indeed often do, communicate directly with senior management.

The Board implements its risk oversight function both as a whole and through Committees. Much of the work is delegated to various Committees, which meet regularly and report back to the full Board. All Committees play significant roles in carrying out the risk oversight function. In particular:

- The Audit Committee oversees risks related to the Company's financial statements, the financial reporting process, accounting and legal matters. The Audit Committee oversees the internal audit function and the Company's ethics programs, including the Code of Business Conduct. The Audit Committee members meet separately with representatives of the independent auditing firm.
- The Compensation Committee evaluates the risks and rewards associated with the Company's compensation philosophy and programs. The Compensation Committee reviews and approves compensation programs with features that mitigate risk without diminishing the incentive nature of the compensation. Management discusses with the Compensation Committee the procedures that have been put in place to identify and mitigate potential risks in compensation.

Independent Directors

In considering and making decisions as to the independence of each of the directors of the Company, the Board considered transactions and relationships between the Company (and its subsidiaries) and each director (and each member of such director's immediate family and any entity with which the director or family member has an affiliation such that the director or family member may have a material indirect interest in a transaction or relationship with such entity). The Board has determined that the following members of the Board are independent as defined in applicable SEC and NASDAQ rules and regulations, and that each constitutes an Independent Director as defined in NASD Marketplace Rule 4200, and that such members constitute a majority of the entire Board: Mr. Alessi, Mr. Ladd and Mr. Magraw.

Audit Committee

Our Audit Committee consists of Messrs. Alessi, Ladd and Magraw, each of whom is independent as that term is defined under the Nasdaq listing standards. The Audit Committee oversees our accounting and financial reporting processes and the audits of the financial statements of our company. Mr. Ladd serves as our Audit Committee financial expert as that term is defined by the applicable SEC rules. The Audit Committee is responsible for, among other things:

- selecting our independent auditors and pre-approving all auditing and non-auditing services permitted to be performed by our independent auditors;
- reviewing with our independent auditors any audit problems or difficulties and management's response;
- reviewing and approving all proposed related-party transactions, as defined in Item 404 of Regulation S-K under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended;
- discussing the annual audited financial statements with management and our independent auditors;
- reviewing major issues as to the adequacy of our internal controls and any special audit steps adopted in light of significant internal control deficiencies;
- annually reviewing and reassessing the adequacy of our Audit Committee charter;
- meeting separately and periodically with management and our internal and independent auditors; and
- reporting regularly to the full board of directors; and
- such other matters that are specifically delegated to our Audit Committee by our board of directors from time to time.

All members of the Audit Committee met by telephone or in person 4 times during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011.

The Report of the Audit Committee regarding the audited financials statements of the Company for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011 is located on [Appendix A](#) to this Proxy Statement.

Compensation Committee

Our Compensation Committee consists of Messrs. Alessi, Ladd and Magraw, each of whom is independent as that term is defined under the Nasdaq listing standards. Our Compensation Committee assists the board in reviewing and approving the compensation structure of our directors and executive officers, including all forms of compensation to be provided to our directors and executive officers. Our chief executive officer, and our chief operating officer and chief financial officer, may not be present at any committee meeting during which his compensation is deliberated. The Compensation Committee is responsible for, among other things:

- approving and overseeing the compensation package for our executive officers;
- reviewing and making recommendations to the board with respect to the compensation of our directors;
- reviewing and approving corporate goals and objectives relevant to the compensation of our chief executive officer, evaluating the performance of our chief executive officer in light of those goals and objectives, and setting the compensation level of our chief executive officer based on this evaluation; and
- reviewing periodically and making recommendations to the board regarding any long-term incentive compensation or equity plans, programs or similar arrangements, annual bonuses, employee pension and welfare benefit plans.

The Compensation Committee has sole authority to retain and terminate outside counsel, compensation consultants retained to assist the Compensation Committee in determining the compensation of the Chief Executive Officer or senior executive officers, or other experts or consultants, as it deems appropriate, including sole authority to approve the firms' fees and other retention terms. The Compensation Committee may also form and delegate authority to subcommittees and may delegate authority to one or more designated members of the Compensation Committee. The Compensation Committee may from time to time seek recommendations from the executive officers of the Company regarding matters under the purview of the Compensation Committee, though the authority to act on such recommendations rests solely with the Compensation Committee.

Our Compensation Committee met two times during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011.

Governance and Nominating Committee

Our Governance and Nominating Committee consists of Messrs. Alessi, Ladd and Magraw, each of whom is independent as that term is defined under the Nasdaq listing standards. The Governance and Nominating Committee assists the board of directors in identifying individuals qualified to become our directors and in determining the composition of the board and its committees. The Governance and Nominating Committee is responsible for, among other things:

- identifying and recommending to the board nominees for election or re-election to the board, or for appointment to fill any vacancy;
- reviewing annually with the board the current composition of the board in light of the characteristics of independence, age, skills, experience and availability of service to us;
- identifying and recommending to the board the directors to serve as members of the board's committees; and
- monitoring compliance with our code of business conduct and ethics.

Our Governance and Nominating Committee met one time during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011.

Executive Committee

Our Executive Committee consists of Messrs. Alessi, Grae and Graham. The Executive Committee of the Company exercises the power of the board of directors between regular meetings of the board of directors and when timing is critical. The Executive Committee also assists the Board in fulfilling its oversight responsibility with respect to management-level staff, outside service providers and third party vendors.

Code of Ethics

The Board has adopted a Code of Conduct and Ethics that applies to the Company's directors, officers and employees. A copy of this policy is available via our website at www.ltbridge.com. Printed copies of our Code of Ethics may be obtained, without charge, by contacting the Corporate Secretary, Lightbridge Corporation, 1600 Tysons Boulevard, Suite 550, Tysons Corner, Virginia 22102 USA. During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011, there were no waivers of our Code of Ethics.

Stockholder Communication with the Board of Directors.

Stockholders may communicate with the Board, including non-management directors, by sending a letter to our board of directors, c/o Corporate Secretary, Lightbridge Corporation, 1600 Tysons Boulevard, Suite 550, Tysons Corner, Virginia 22102 USA for submission to the board or committee or to any specific director to whom the correspondence is directed. Stockholders communicating through this means should include with the correspondence evidence, such as documentation from a brokerage firm, that the sender is a current record or beneficial stockholder of the Company. All communications received as set forth above will be opened by the Corporate Secretary or his designee for the sole purpose of determining whether the contents contain a message to one or more of our directors. Any contents that are not advertising materials, promotions of a product or service, patently offensive materials or matters deemed, using reasonable judgment, inappropriate for the Board will be forwarded promptly to the chairman of the Board, the appropriate committee or the specific director, as applicable.

EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The following table sets forth information concerning all cash and non-cash compensation awarded to, earned by or paid to the named persons for services rendered in all capacities during the noted periods. No other named executive officers received total annual salary and bonus compensation in excess of \$100,000.

Summary Compensation Table

Name and Principal Position	Year	Salary (\$)	Bonus (\$)	Stock Awards (\$)⁽¹⁾	Option Awards (\$)⁽¹⁾	All Other Compensation (\$)⁽²⁾	Total (\$)
Seth Grae CEO, President and Director	2011	409,395	206,145	69,501	208,595	23,304	916,940
	2010	397,963	162,114 ⁽⁴⁾	191,873	519,523	23,233	1,294,706
Thomas Graham, Jr. Chairman ⁽³⁾	2011	178,833		52,500		2,261	233,594
	2010	177,375				2,180	179,555
James Guerra CFO and COO ⁽⁴⁾	2011	275,736	138,843	88,750	131,310	25,085	659,724
	2010	268,037	109,187 ⁽⁴⁾	88,750	151,628	24,521	642,123

- (1) The valuation of stock-based compensation is based in accordance with FASB Accounting Standards Codification Topic 718 Compensation- Stock Compensation , which requires the measurement of the cost of employee services received in exchange for an award of an equity instrument on the grant-date fair value of the award. . For additional information regarding the assumptions made in calculating these amounts, see the Notes to our audited, consolidated financial statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K (Note 11).
- (2) The heading "All Other Compensation" includes life insurance, disability insurance, medical insurance and dental insurance.
- (3) Though his official title is Chairman of the Board of Directors, Mr. Graham is considered to be an executive officer of the Company.
- (4) The annual bonus compensation for 2011 is an accrued bonus amount and the final calculated bonus will typically be paid during the first two quarters following the annual period during which the incentive bonus compensation was earned. Amounts reported for 2010 represent the final calculated bonuses earned in 2010 and paid in 2011.

Narrative disclosure to summary compensation table

On February 14, 2006, the Company entered into an employment agreement with Seth Grae. Mr. Grae is also eligible to receive raises and discretionary bonuses, as well as stock based compensation over the term of the agreement. As of March 17, 2010, Mr. Grae's annual salary was increased from \$389,000 to \$400,281 and he received a bonus in the amount of \$194,500 for his services in 2009 which was paid in 2010. As of March 16, 2011, Mr. Grae's salary was increased to an annual salary of \$412,290 and he received a bonus in the amount of \$162,114 for his services in 2010 which was paid in 2011.

On March 11, 2010, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors granted to Mr. Grae 22,169 shares of the Company's common stock as part of its annual equity compensation to employees, which vest 1/3 on each anniversary of the grant date, over three years. Additionally on March 11, 2010, the Compensation Committee granted to Mr. Grae a non-qualified stock option for the purchase of 66,638 shares of the common stock of the Company, at an exercise price of \$8.65 per share.

On March 19, 2011, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors granted to Mr. Grae 12,568 shares of the Company's common stock as part of its annual equity compensation to employees, which vest 1/3 on each anniversary of the grant date, over three years. Additionally on March 19, 2011, the Compensation Committee granted to Mr. Grae a non-qualified stock option for the purchase of 42,604 shares of the common stock of the Company, at an exercise price of \$5.53 per share.

On August 1, 2007, the Company entered into an employment agreement with Mr. Graham. Pursuant to the agreement, Mr. Graham earns an annual salary in the amount of \$178,833 and is eligible to receive compensation in the form of annual restricted stock grants with a fair market value of \$35,000, valued at the closing price of our stock on the trading day preceding the date of grant.

On April 11, 2011, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors granted to Mr. Graham 3,229 shares of the Company's common stock with a fair market value of \$17,500, which vested over six months and on May 5, 2011, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors granted to Mr. Graham 6,987 shares of the Company's common stock with a fair market value of \$35,000, which vest over one year.

On October 23, 2007, the Company entered into an employment agreement with Mr. Guerra. Mr. Guerra is also eligible to receive raises and discretionary bonuses, as well as stock based compensation over the term of the agreement. On March 17, 2010, Mr. Guerra's salary was increased from \$262,000 to \$269,598, and on March 16, 2011, Mr. Guerra's salary was increased to \$277,686.

On March 11, 2010, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors granted to Mr. Guerra 6,470 shares of the Company's common stock as part of its annual equity compensation to employees, which vest 1/3 on each anniversary of the grant date, over three years. Additionally on March 11, 2010, the Compensation Committee granted to Mr. Guerra a non-qualified stock option for the purchase of 19,449 shares of the common stock of the Company, at an exercise price of \$8.65 per share.

On March 19, 2011, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors granted to Mr. Guerra 7,912 shares of the Company's common stock as part of its annual equity compensation to employees, which vest 1/3 on each anniversary of the grant date, over three years. Additionally on March 19, 2011, the Compensation Committee granted to Mr. Guerra a non-qualified stock option for the purchase of 26,819 shares of the common stock of the Company, at an exercise price of \$5.53 per share.

Outstanding Equity Awards at Fiscal Year End

The following table sets forth all outstanding equity awards to our named executive officers as of December 31, 2011. The market value of all restricted stock awards is based on the closing price of our common stock as of December 31, 2011 (\$2.04).

Name	Option Awards					Stock Awards				
	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#) Exercisable	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#) Unexercisable ⁽¹⁾	Equity Incentive Plan Awards: Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#)	Option Exercise Price (\$)	Option Expiration Date	Number of Shares or Units of Stock That Have Not Vested	Market Value of Shares or Units of Stock That Have Not Vested (\$)	Equity Incentive Plan Awards: Number of Unearned Shares, Units or Rights That Have Not Vested	Equity Incentive Plan Awards: Number of Unearned Shares, Units or Rights That Have Not Vested	
Seth Grae, President, CEO and Director	240,000			\$ 23.85	02/14/16					
	36,311			\$ 10.50	12/05/17					
	166,667			\$ 13.50	12/05/15					
	75,245	37,623		\$ 5.70	07/14/19	11,221	\$ 22,891			
	44,425	22,213		\$ 8.65	03/11/20	7,390	\$ 15,076			
	14,201	28,403		5.53	03/19/21	8,379	\$ 17,093			
Thomas Graham, Chairman and Corporate Secretary	50,000			\$ 14.70	07/27/16					
	9,615			\$ 10.50	12/05/17					
	50,000			\$ 8.10	07/05/17	6,987	\$ 14,253			
James Guerra, CFO, COO	33,334			\$ 7.05	10/29/17					
	1,863			\$ 10.50	12/05/17					
	21,961	10,981		\$ 5.70	07/14/19	3,275	\$ 6,681			
	12,966	6,483		\$ 8.65	03/11/20	2,157	\$ 4,400			
	8,940	17,879		\$ 5.53	03/19/2021	5,275	\$ 10,761			

Narrative to outstanding equity awards table

This information is located in the narrative to the summary compensation table above.

Director Compensation

The following table sets forth certain information concerning the compensation paid to our directors for services rendered to us during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2011. Neither Mr. Grae nor Mr. Graham were compensated for their service as directors in 2011.

Name	Fees Earned or Paid in Cash (\$)	Stock Awards (\$)	Option Awards (\$)	Total (\$)
Victor Alessi	\$38,000	\$52,500		\$90,500
Jack Ladd	\$20,000	\$72,500		\$92,500
Daniel Magraw	\$19,000	\$71,500		\$90,500

- (1) Each of Messrs. Alessi, Ladd and Magraw individually had an aggregate of 19,461 option awards outstanding as of December 31, 2011.

Narrative to director compensation table

We currently have three independent directors: Victor Alessi, Jack Ladd and Daniel Magraw. Mr. Alessi became a director of the Company on August 21, 2006. Pursuant to the Independent Director Contract between Mr. Alessi and the Company, Mr. Alessi receives \$38,000 in cash per year for acting as a director of the Company. Messrs. Ladd and Magraw became directors of the Company on October 23, 2006. Pursuant to their respective Independent Director Contracts with the Company, Mr. Ladd receives \$20,000 in cash per year and \$20,000 worth of the Company's common stock per year for serving on the board of directors of the Company. Mr. Magraw receives \$19,000 in cash per year and \$19,000 worth of the Company's common stock per year for serving on the board of directors of the Company.

Except for Messrs. Alessi, Ladd and Magraw, all of our current directors are also our officers and are compensated for the services that they provide to us in their capacity as officers. Other than Messrs. Alessi, Ladd and Magraw, our current directors do not receive any additional compensation for the services they provide to us as directors. Directors are reimbursed for out of pocket expenses incurred as a result of their participation on our board.

On April 11, 2011, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors granted to each of Messrs. Alessi, Ladd and Magraw 3,229 shares of restricted stock, which vested over six months. On May 5, 2011, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors granted to each of Messrs. Alessi, Ladd and Magraw 6,987 shares of restricted stock, which vested over one year.

Changes in Control

There are currently no arrangements which may result in a change in control of the Company.

**SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN
BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT**

The following table sets forth information known to us with respect to the beneficial ownership of our Common Stock as of February 23, 2012 for: (i) each person known by us to beneficially own more than 5% of our voting securities, (ii) each executive officer, (iii) each of our directors and nominees, and (iv) all of our executive officers and directors as a group.

Unless otherwise specified, the address of each of the persons set forth below is in care of Lightbridge Corporation, 1600 Tysons Boulevard, Suite 550, Tysons Corner, Virginia, 22102 USA.

Name and Address of Beneficial Owner ⁽¹⁾	Title	Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership ^{(1) (2)}	Percent of Common Stock ⁽³⁾
Officers and Directors			
Seth Grae	President, CEO and Director	1,166,769	8.74%
Thomas Graham, Jr.	Chairman	187,030	1.48%
James Guerra	COO and CFO Executive VP International	159,759	1.27%
Andrey Mushakov	Nuclear Operations	184,009	1.47%
Dan Magraw			