

SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY CO
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Washington, D.C. 20549

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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 May 23, 2017**

SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY COMPANY

Meeting Information

— **Meeting Type:** Annual Meeting
— **For holders as of:** March 29, 2017
— **Date:** May 23, 2017 **Time:** 9:00 AM CDT
— **Location:** Company's Headquarters
— 10000 Energy Drive
— Spring, Texas 77389

You are receiving this communication because you hold shares in the above named company.

This is not a ballot. You cannot use this notice to vote these shares. This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet. You may view the proxy materials online at www.proxyvote.com or easily request a paper copy (see reverse side).

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

Before You Vote

How to Access the Proxy Materials

Proxy Materials Available to VIEW or RECEIVE:

1. Annual Report 2. Notice & Proxy Statement

How to View Online:

Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow XXXX XXXX XXXX XXXX (located on the following page) and visit: www.proxyvote.com.

How to Request and Receive a PAPER or E-MAIL Copy:

If you want to receive a paper or e-mail copy of these documents, you must request one. There is NO charge for requesting a copy. Please choose one of the following methods to make your request:

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| 1) BY INTERNET: | www.proxyvote.com |
| 2) BY TELEPHONE: | 1-800-579-1639 |
| 3) BY E-MAIL*: | sendmaterial@proxyvote.com |

* If requesting materials by e-mail, please send a blank e-mail with the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow XXXX XXXX XXXX XXXX (located on the following page) in the subject line.

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 May 09, 2017 to facilitate timely delivery.

How To Vote

Please Choose One of the Following Voting Methods

Vote In Person: If you choose to vote these shares in person at the meeting, you must request a "legal proxy." To do so, please follow the instructions at www.proxyvote.com or request a paper copy of the materials, which will contain the appropriate instructions. 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.

Vote By Internet: To vote now by Internet, go to www.proxyvote.com. Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow XXXX XXXX XXXX XXXX available and follow the instructions.

Vote By Mail: You can vote by mail by requesting a paper copy of the materials, which will include a voting instruction form.

Voting items

The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following proposal(s):

1. Election of Directors

Nominees

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|----|-------------------|
| 1A | John D. Gass |
| 1B | Catherine A. Kehr |
| 1C | Greg D. Kerley |
| 1D | Jon A. Marshall |
| 1E | Elliott Pew |
| 1F | Terry W. Rathert |
| 1G | Alan H. Stevens |
| 1H | William J. Way |

The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following proposal(s):

2 Advisory vote to approve named executive officer compensation.

The Board of Directors recommends you vote 1 YEAR on the following proposal:

3 Advisory vote to approve the frequency of future Say-on-Pay votes.

The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following proposal(s):

4 Proposal to approve an amendment to the Southwestern Energy Company 2013 Incentive Plan to increase the number of shares authorized for issuance.

5 Proposal to ratify the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP to serve as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for 2017.

Voting items Continued

The Board of Directors recommends you vote AGAINST the following proposal(s):

6 Advisory vote on a stockholder proposal regarding voting standards.

NOTE: To vote upon such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournments thereof.

Voting Instructions
