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## Transocean At a Glance



#### Global Leader in Offshore Drilling

#### Leader in offshore contract drilling services:

- Significant presence in deepwater and harsh environment drilling
- Technical leader in the expansion of ultra-deepwater drilling
  - Achieved numerous water-depth drilling records over the years

#### World's most capable and best positioned fleet

- Believe we have the most capable fleet of highspecification rigs
- Technological advancements led by engineering and operations expertise of our people
- Operates in most major markets worldwide
- Significant relationships across the customer

#### Well positioned to capture global opportunities in an improving market

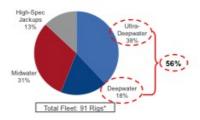
- Leading position in ultra-deepwater market segment
- Size and technical capabilities create reinvestment opportunities
- Large backlog provides long-term visibility

Note \*Includes 8 rigs under construction as of April 18, 2013 Fleet Status Report

#### Strategy to Lead



#### World's Most Capable and Best Positioned Fleet



# High-Spec Driller with Global Footprint and Diversified Customer Base







- ...presence in every major market
- ...access to and the ability to better serve a vast array of customers
- ...lower dependency on specific regions



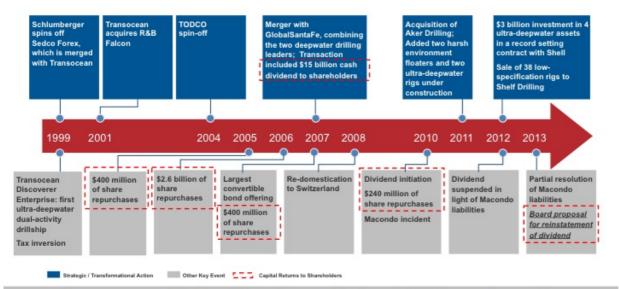
#### Diverse customer base...

- ...with access to Integrated and National Oil Companies leading to higher exposure to longer term contracts
- ...reduces customer concentration risk

Transocean's portfolio and diversified customer base provide an ideal platform for continued industry leadership

## History of Strategic and Transformational Actions





Transocean and its Board have been active in establishing and executing strategic and transformational action plans

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## Our Asset Classes



#### Ultra-Deepwater ("UDW")\*



- Capable of drilling in water depths of 7,500 feet or greater
- Significant market demand due to level of new field volume discoveries
- Higher utilization and longer term contracts than other asset classes

Deepwater Champion

#### Midwater



- · Comprised of non-highspecification semisubmersibles that have a water depth capacity of less than 4,500 feet
- Strong presence in the UK and Norway sectors of the North Sea

Other High-Specification Floaters\*\*



- · Other semisubmersible rigs and drillships capable of drilling in water depths between 4,500 and 7,500 feet or in harsh environment
- Strong market demand due to level of new field volume discoveries

#### **High-Specification Jackups**



- High-specification jackups have greater operational capabilities and deeper drilling depth capacity than standard jackups
- · High utilization and improving dayrates in the medium term

GSF Constellation II

### Transocean continues to increase its exposure to high-specification assets

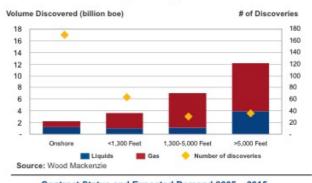
- Note
  "Youngest class of assets with average age of 10 years
  "Includes deepwater ("DW") and harsh environment floaters

## Transocean Positioned for **UDW Market Demand**



### New Field Resources Discovered in 2012 (by Water Depth)

- Robust deepwater exploration performance in 2012 provides strong pipeline for future demand
  - 28% of volume discovered in conventional deepwater (1,300 - 5,000 feet)\*
  - 49% of volume discovered in ultra-deepwater (>5,000 feet)\*
- · Ultra-deepwater rig market remains tight
  - Believe Transocean has the world's most capable fleet of ultra-deepwater rigs
- Inquiries from customers beginning to shift from generic to specific
  - Transocean has a highly capable fleet of highspecification rigs
  - We have the ability to offer various highspecification solutions
  - We have customer confidence and vast experience to deploy our assets to new frontiers
- Transocean's disciplined, high-return investment strategy will be primarily focused on UDW market





Note
\* Represents deepwater and ultra-deepwater as classified by Wood Mackenzie

### **Transformation Towards Global** Leader in Offshore Drilling

2006 vs. Now



	2006	Now
Rigs*	81	91
% High-Spec	46	73
% of UDW	20	38
Contract Backlog	\$20.2 billion	\$28.5 billion
Revenue	\$3.9 billion	\$9.2 billion

Transocean has improved its fleet mix through newbuilds and M&A to focus on its core, strategic asset portfolio

2007 GSF Merger

- Combination of leading deepwater portfolios establishes high-specification leadership

2011 Aker Drilling Acquisition

- Contributed 2 harsh environment semisubmersibles and 2 ultradeepwater drillships under construction

3 2012 Shelf Drilling Transaction

- Sale of 38 low-specification jackups

2011 - YTD 2013 Single Asset Transactions

- Divested 18 additional non-core assets

Newbuilds

- Post GSF merger, 12 newbuilds delivered representing more than \$7.4 billion in total investment value

Continued portfolio transformation towards increased exposure to high-spec assets

Source: Company Website, Company Filings, Capital IQ, Factiva, Fleet Status Reports
Note
\* Includes rigs under construction; Excludes rigs held for sale, barges, mobile offshore production units and coring drillships

# Successful Transformation Through M&A

Key Transactions Since 2007



Transaction

#### Rationale

#### Operational Impact

GSF Merger (2007)

- Exposure to accelerating dayrate environment across asset classes and growing deepwater market
- Combined ~\$32 billion in backlog enabling unrivalled platform for investment
- Additional growth opportunities through broader asset base, services and clients
- Providing \$15 billion return of capital following investor desire for return of capital and more optimal capital structure
- Acquired 17 high-specification
- Enhanced backlog by ~\$9 billion
- Strengthened presence in North Sea, Middle East, Asia, West Africa, and U.S. GoM

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Aker Acquisition (2011)

- Added two high-specification harsh environment semis and two UDW drillships under construction
- Strengthened position in Norway, one of the key harsh environment markets
- Provided growth and upside potential
- Immediate \$1 billion backlog increase (\$2 billion contribution to current backlog for the four rigs)
- High revenue efficiency (95%+) of harsh environment semis
- Contracted UDW drillships at attractive dayrates (up to \$600kpd)
- Based on current outlook, expected return on capital to exceed cost of capital (10%)

Shelf Drilling Divestiture (2012)

- Re-initiated fleet portfolio optimization after the hiatus caused by Macondo and global financial crisis
- · Increased focus on high-specification, younger assets
- Improved long-term competitiveness in an attractive deepwater and high-specification drilling environment
- Enhanced high-specification asset composition to 71% from 47%
- Proceeds used to delever and improve financial flexibility

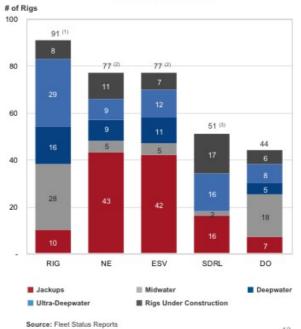
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## Positioned for Future Success



- · Favorably positioned to take advantage of positive industry outlook
  - Believe we have world's most capable fleet of high-specification floaters
  - Operates in most major markets worldwide
  - Significant relationships across the customer spectrum
  - Leading position in ultra-deepwater market segment
  - Size and technical capabilities create reinvestment opportunities
- · However, to continue to position Transocean for future success, investments are required to ensure long-term competitiveness
  - Fleet renewal in accordance with our approach of disciplined, high-return investments

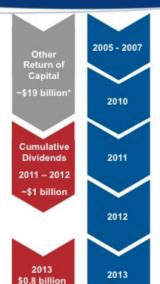
#### A Company Built to Last



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## Significant Capital Returned to Shareholders Since 2005





- Transocean and GlobalSantaFe merge to become what we believe is the world's most capable offshore driller
- Announced initiation of dividend of \$1 billion
- Macondo incident occurs
- Acquisition of four high-specification rigs (Aker Drilling)
- Transocean's performance reflects deteriorating industry operating conditions in 2H 2011, along with significant weakening of credit markets (e.g., U.S. downgrade, Euro crisis, etc.)
- Dividend suspended in light of Macondo liabilities and need to maintain financial flexibility to invest in fleet for long-term competitiveness and future returns of capital
- Significant reduction in some Macondo uncertainties
- Proposed reinstatement of dividend of \$800 million (\$2.24/share)

Consistent with historical capital distribution practices, the Board is focused on increasing returns to its shareholders

Note 
\*Includes \$5 billion distributed to GlobalSantaFe shareholders and share repurchases during that period

### Reinstated Attractive Dividend



- · Operational and litigation successes permit reinstatement of dividend
  - Proposed dividend of \$2.24 per share, or approximately \$800 million
- · Robust but responsible dividend with goal of maximizing long-term value creation and, importantly, establishes a basis that is sustainable and supports future dividend increases
  - In the future, increases in annual distributions may be appropriate once litigation uncertainties are further resolved
  - Represents one of the industry's largest payout ratios and implied yields
  - Consistent with history of returning cash to shareholders
  - Including currently proposed dividend, since 2000 Transocean will have returned approximately \$21 billion\* in cash to shareholders through distributions and share repurchases

Disciplined strategy that balances return of capital with financial flexibility required to maintain long-term competitiveness and ability to deliver future increases in return of capital

Note \*Includes \$5 billion distributed to GlobalSantaFe shareholders

## Strong Leadership



#### Management



Steven L. Newman President and CEO

- Long-time company leader, managed through Macondo
- Unique perspective on industry and competitive matters
- 22 years of oil and gas / offshore drilling experience



Esa Ikäheimonen **CFO and Executive Vice President** 

- Extensive professional experience in the finance area of the oilfield services industry Significant financial acumen and experience
- 23 years of oil and gas / offshore drilling experience



John B. Stobart COO and Executive Vice President

- Extensive engineering and drilling experience
- 35 years of oil and gas / offshore drilling experience



**Ihab Toma** Chief of Staff and Executive Vice President

- Extensive senior executive experience in supply chain, information technology, marketing and planning
- 25+ years of oil and gas / offshore drilling experience

Significant oil & gas experience across all functions with ideal mix of Transocean experience and fresh perspectives provided by newer executives

# Fresh Perspectives Added To An Experienced and Knowledgeable Board



#### **Board of Directors**

2	Glyn Barker Former Vice Chairman - UK PricewaterhouseCoopers	Significant financial acumen and experience     30 years of finance experience	Martin B. McNamara Former Partner - Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher, LLP	Extensive management experience with energy companies and experience as a lawyer representing energy clients     25+ years of oil and gas / offshore drilling experience
2	Jagjeet S. Bindra Retired President - Chevron Global Manufacturing	<ul> <li>Significant knowledge of engineering and strategic planning</li> <li>35 years of international experience in all segments of the energy industry</li> </ul>	Edward R. Muller Former Chairman and Chief Executive Officer - GenOn Energy, Inc.	Varied energy industry experience from both corporate and board roles     Significant financial acumen and experience
Q	Thomas W. Cason Former Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer - Baker Hughes Incorporated	Extensive professional experience in the finance area of the offield services industry     Significant financial acumen and experience     14 years of oil and gas / offshore drilling experience	Steven L. Newman President and CEO - Transocean Ltd.	Long-time company leader, managed through Maccondo     Unique perspective in inclustry and competitive matters     22 years of oil and gas / offshore drilling experience
9	Vanessa C.L. Chang Director - EL & EL Investments	Significant financial acumen and experience     38 years of finance experience	Robert M. Sprague Former Executive - Royal Dutch/Shell	Significant technical knowledge and experience as a customer     Provides substantial international perspective and experience     36 years of oil and gas / offshore drilling experience
2	Chad Deaton Executive Chairman - Baker Hughes	Significant technical knowledge and experience     27 years of oil and gas / offshore drilling experience	lan C. Strachan Former Chairman – Instinet Group	Extensive senior leadership experience, including experience in a major strategic restructuring     33 years of oil and gas / offshore drilling experience.
9	Tan Ek Kia Retired Vice President, Ventures and Developments, Asia Pacific and Middle East Region - Shell Chemicals	Significant technical knowledge and experience     Provides substantial international perspective and experience     304 years of oil and gas / offshore drilling experience	J. Michael Talbert Chairman of the Board - Transocean	Deep knowledge of the industry, customers and Transocean     Extensive senior executive experience in the energy sector     32 years of oil and gas / offshore drilling experience.
9	Steve Lucas Retired Group Finance Director - National Grid	Extensive professional experience in the finance area of the energy industry     Provides substantial international perspective and experience	Frederico F. Curado President and CEO – Embraer	Significant senior management experience operating an international corporation     In-depth knowledge of Brazil, an important operating region for the company

Directors Added to Board in Last Two Years



### **Board Continues to Lead**



### Transocean's Board of Directors provides strategic guidance and leadership

- Encouraged the company's focus on technological innovation and training, resulting in and sustaining Transocean's industry leadership position
- · Advised management's decisions through various industry cycles
- Actively implemented a high-specification-focused asset strategy, repositioning the company to compete for the long term
- · Guided management through an extraordinary crisis following the Macondo incident
- Fully engaged in the development and implementation of successful operational imperatives
- Strategy to regularly infuse fresh perspectives into an already experienced Board; six of the 13 directors have been added to the Board in the last two years. All but one director (CEO) is independent

## Icahn's Misguided Agenda



#### We firmly believe:

- Icahn has failed to invest the appropriate time and analysis necessary to understand Transocean's business and industry
- Icahn has focused on potential short-term gains at the expense of the company's future and that of stakeholders
- Icahn has nominated Board nominees who are closely tied to him and who lack relevant industry and financial experience
- Distributing additional capital, above the \$800 million Board proposal, in the context of current uncertainties would be detrimental to long-term shareholder value
  - In the future, increases in the proposed \$2.24 per share distribution may be appropriate once litigation uncertainties diminish

Transocean's Board is focused on a balanced capital allocation strategy and it does not intend to take steps that will threaten the company's financial flexibility, long-term competitiveness and ability to deliver future increases in return of capital



II. Key Strategic and Operational Imperatives To Drive Improved Future Performance

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## Strategic Objectives

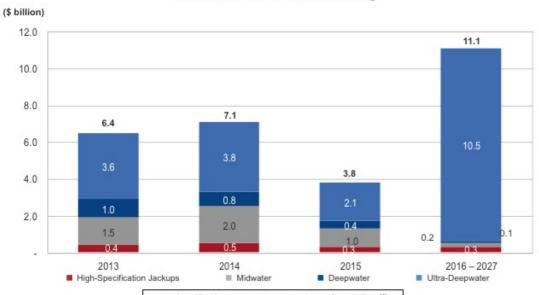


- · Capitalize on industry expansion through well-positioned rig portfolio
- Continue to improve operational performance
  - Revenue efficiency we believe historic levels ~95% are achievable and sustainable
    - · Technical improvements
    - · Contractual enhancements
  - Reduce out-of-service time
    - · Planning, executing to plan, collaboration with vendors
  - Reduce costs
    - · Initiatives focused on shorebased costs and rig operating costs
- · Continue to execute asset strategy
  - Grow leadership position in high-capability assets floaters and jackups
  - All options evaluated build, acquire and/or divest
- · Further reduction of litigation exposures

# Backlog Provides Foundation For Growth



### Transocean's Contract Backlog



Total Backlog from Continuing Operations – \$28.5 billion (4)

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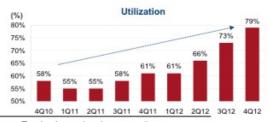
## Continued Operational Improvement



- · Focus on execution and operations have led to:
  - Increased revenue efficiency and utilization
  - Captured \$16.8 billion in contract backlog
  - Cash flow from operations up ~50% to \$2.7 billion from 2011

#### Transocean is Delivering On Its Promise of Operational Improvement





- Technical improvements
- Improved contract terms
- Historic levels believed achievable and sustainable; progress will be gradual, non-linear
- Emphasis on planning, execution, collaboration with vendors
- "Unit exchange" versus "inspect and repair"

Transocean successfully navigated through a period of tremendous uncertainty and the company is prepared for future growth

Source: Company Filings

## Margin Expansion Initiatives



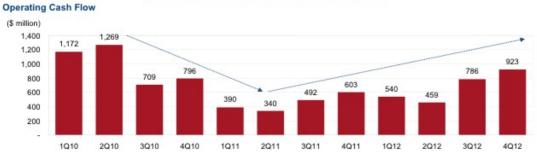
- · Margin expansion initiatives separated into two key areas
  - Shorebased costs organizational efficiency
  - Rig operating costs execution efficiency
- · Initiative currently focuses primarily on organizational efficiency
  - Emphasis on delivering the most efficient and appropriate support to operations
  - Streamline support functions, e.g., finance, human resources, supply chain
  - Cost reduction initiatives have executive sponsorship
- Organizational changes should begin to take effect in late 2013; permanent reductions expected 2014 and beyond
  - Any 2013 cost reduction benefits likely offset by severance and restructuring costs
- · Margin expansion initiatives related to offshore operations underway
- · We will provide periodic updates on savings expectations, progress and timetables

## Improved Cash Flow Generation



- Operating cash flow started to deteriorate in 2010 as fleet utilization declined following the Macondo incident due to idling of rigs, significantly higher out-of-service days for maintenance, recertification and repair projects, and deteriorating revenue efficiency of operating rigs
- Significant improvement in revenue efficiency and utilization throughout 2012 reflected accordingly in recent operating cash flow profile
- · Improvements in the cost structure expected to further enhance cash flow conversion

#### **Cash Conversion Continues to Improve**



Source: Company Filings 24

## Asset Strategy



- Grow our leadership position in high-specification assets
  - Build, acquire, divest and / or spin-off
- · Core, strategic asset portfolio
  - Ultra-deepwater
  - Harsh environment
  - High-specification jackups
  - High-quality floaters





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## Asset Strategy – Fleet Expansion



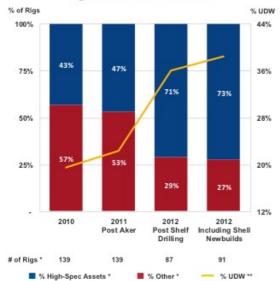
#### Fleet expansion

- · Four dynamically-positioned ultra-deepwater drillships
- · 10-year contracts (\$7.6 billion of long-dated backlog) with Shell
- ~\$3.0 billion investment with attractive terms
- · Net cash flow generated over the contracts of ~\$4.2 billion, a simple payback of 140%
- · Expect to return well in excess of our cost of capital over the 35-year life of the assets
- · Ships have advanced capabilities: Dual activity, industry-leading hoisting capacity
- · Second blow-out preventer system
- · 12,000 ft water depth, 40,000 ft drilling depth
- Outfitted to accommodate a future upgrade to a 20,000 psi BOP

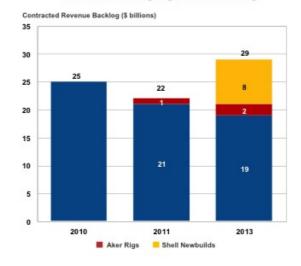
## High Grading Asset Portfolio



#### Recent Transactions Consistently Focused on High-Grade Transformation...



#### ...While Providing Significant Backlog



Note
\* Includes rigs under construction; Excludes rigs held for sale, barges, mobile offshore production units and coring drillships
\*\* Includes rigs with water depth capacity of 7,500 feet or higher, in service or under construction

## Asset Strategy - Divestitures



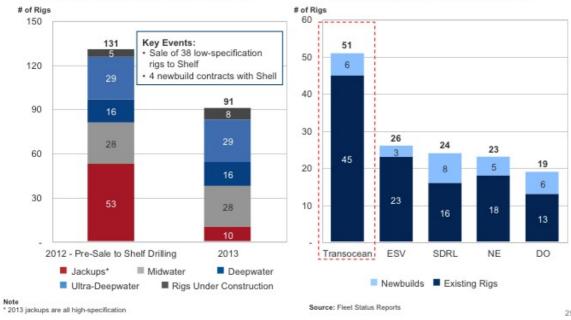
- · Sold 38 low-specification rig package to Shelf Drilling
  - Buyer group has deep industry experience
  - Transocean will provide support to facilitate a successful transition
  - A significant step forward in execution of asset strategy
- Divested 18 additional non-core rigs in single-asset transactions (2011 YTD 2013)
- · Renewed emphasis on high-specification assets both floaters and jackups
- · Provides opportunities for efficiency improvement
- · Focus improves Transocean's long-term competitiveness

## Accelerating Portfolio Transformation



#### Transocean's Portfolio Transformation

#### ~2x UDW and DW Rigs vs. Closest Peer





III. Balanced Capital Allocation To Maximize Long-Term Shareholder Returns

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## Maximizing Shareholder Value Through Balanced Capital Allocation





## Financial Flexibility Drives Long-Term Value



- · Financial flexibility is essential in a capital-intensive and cyclical business
- · Future capital requirements include:
  - Remaining litigation uncertainties
    - · Progress made in reducing litigation exposure, but some uncertainty remains
  - Future return of capital
    - · Goal of increasing distributions in the future
  - Disciplined, high-return investments
    - · Needed to upgrade fleet to ensure long-term competitiveness

Transocean believes that the loss of financial flexibility would have a detrimental impact on long-term shareholder value

## Litigation Update



#### Macondo Incident

- Civil and criminal settlement agreements reached with Department of Justice comprising \$1.4 billion paid over five years
  - Phase 1 of trial concluded 4/17/13; Parties to prepare and submit post-trial briefing over next 3 months
  - Phase 2 of trial scheduled to start in September 2013

#### Brazil - Frade Field Incident

- Preliminary injunction served on Transocean 9/27/12; lifted by Court of Appeals 11/27/12
- Criminal case against Transocean and employees dismissed by Court 3/15/13
- · Vigorously pursuing final and comprehensive resolution of underlying litigation
  - Currently no restrictions on Transocean in Brazil

#### **Norway Tax Case**

- Trial commenced December 2012; decisions anticipated early 2014
- · Norwegian Court overturned Arcade civil tax assessment; State filed appeal
- Believe our tax returns are materially correct as filed and continue to vigorously contest assertions to the contrary

Recent reduction in litigation exposure; however, uncertainties remain

# Actions to Enhance Financial Flexibility



- · Continued resolution of outstanding litigation
- · Reinstated highly attractive, but responsible, dividend
  - Allows for future increases in distributions as litigation uncertainties diminish
- · Prudent investment in the fleet resulting in the following deliveries:
  - 2011 Three high-specification floaters
  - 2012 One premium jackup
  - 2013 Three premium jackups
  - 2014 and beyond Six ultra-deepwater drillships, including the Shell newbuilds
- · Maintained investment grade rating through challenging period
  - Accelerated retirement of debt
- · Continue to divest select non-core assets
- · Maintain flexibility through renewal of company's authorized share capital
  - The Board currently has no plans to exercise this authority

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## Importance of Investment Grade (IG) Rating



#### A downgrade would have real, adverse implications for Transocean:

- · Access non-IG market is subject to significant market dislocation in periods of instability
- · More restrictive covenants for non-IG bonds
- It takes approximately three years to have an investment grade rating reinstated after a downgrade
  - Long period of limited financing options
- Increased cost of new debt financing (significant value at risk with \$12.5 billion debt balance)
- · Possible impact on contract and/or payment terms
- Potential consequences resulting from National Oil Companies (NOC) evaluation of financial and operational "substance" of Transocean as counterparty

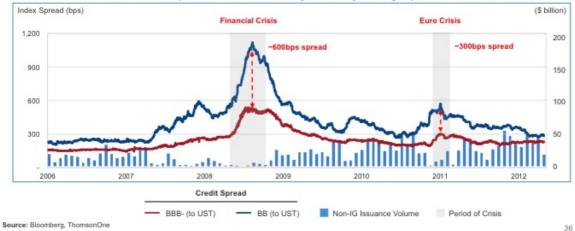
Strength and resilience of Transocean's balance sheet is reflected in its investment grade rating – in our view a downgrade would have a real, negative impact on long-term shareholder value

## Access and Cost of Capital



- · Continued access to low cost capital is important in a cyclical, asset-intensive industry to preserve shareholder value
- · IG market is bigger and more liquid than the non-IG market
- During periods of financial crises (as recently as 2011), spreads widened significantly between IG and non-IG debt, with non-IG markets becoming inaccessible at times

### Non-IG Market Can Experience Periods of Volatility, Potentially Limiting Capital Market Access



## Financial Flexibility -**Downgrade Impact**



- · Although there is currently significant demand for high yield credit, over the past five years there have been periods of significant market dislocation
- · While the current spread between investment grade and non-investment grade is only ~54bps, it has averaged ~178bps since 2007 and has been as high as ~294bps during the Euro crisis in the summer of

## Illustrative Impact of Downgrade on Transocean's Share Price

Based on \$12.5 billion of Total Transocean Debt (5)

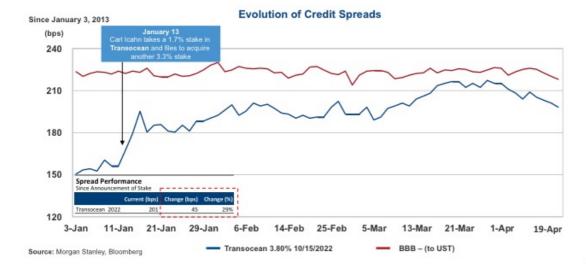
	Period			
	Current	2007 - Current Avg	Euro Crisis (6)	
BBB- vs BB Spread (bps)	53.5	177.6	294.3	
Additional Annual Interest (\$MM)	66.7	221.3	366.7	
Impact on EPS (\$) (7)	(0.15)	(0.49)	(0.82)	
P / E Multiple (x) (8)	10.5	10.5	10.5	
Impact on Share Price (\$)	(1.56)	(5.18)	(8.59)	
Discount to Current (%) <sup>(8)</sup>	(3.2)	(10.7)	(17.7)	

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# Detrimental Impact on Cost of Capital



- · Since the Icahn announcement, Transocean spreads have widened 45bps
- The widening in spreads occurred following the announcement of Mr. Icahn's stake, highlighting the credit market's concerns about his short-term focus and higher-risk proposals



## Rating Agency Support For Board's Proposals



#### Moody's Commentary

"[S]hould the activist shareholder proposal for a larger dividend receive...approval, a downgrade cannot be ruled out as it is unlikely that leverage targets can be achieved with this amount of cash being diverted from debt repayment and prepayment." – Moody's (March 13, 2013)

"[The] proposal to prepay \$1 billion in debt signals that the company is trying to balance short-term shareholder interests with longer-term financial flexibility in this highly cyclical business...[the] risk of additional shareholder-friendly actions justifies a continuation of our negative outlook." – Moody's (March 5, 2013)

"At some point the offshore drilling market will enter into a cyclical downturn. A higher dividend than what is being proposed could put Transocean on the defensive and impact their ability to buy rigs and win business from weaker competitors. The question is whether the company will be the hunter or the hunted." — Moody's (March 5, 2013)

#### S&P Commentary

"[Transocean's] credit ratios, though improving, remain weak for the rating." - S&P (January 8, 2013)

"We view the company's financial risk profile as "significant." As of Sept. 30, 2012, Transocean had about \$14.8 billion of total debt, including our standard adjustments for operating leases, pension and postretirement obligations, and accrued interest." – S&P (December 28, 2012)

## Capital Investment



- High-return additions of new, state-of-the-art drilling rigs are essential for the long-term competitiveness of the company
  - Represents primary source of growth and future operating income
  - A lack of investment in high-return assets would compromise the company's long-term viability
- · Prefer to not add incremental capacity to market
  - Will buy existing capacity, with or without contract
  - Strong preference to build to contract
- · Disciplined economic criteria (buy or build)
  - Must fit high-specification strategy
  - Economic returns must exceed cost of capital
  - Prefer significant, simple payback during initial contract period → 80% target
  - Strong, flexible balance sheet necessary if company is to act opportunistically

## Return of Capital -History of Delivering (2000 - Present)



GlobalSantaFe Merger

~\$15 Billion\*

· Cumulative Share Repurchases



~\$4 Billion

· Cumulative Dividends



~\$1 Billion

Proposed Dividend



~\$0.8 Billion

Total Capital Returned

~\$21 Billion

Note \*Includes \$5 billion distributed to GlobalSantaFe shareholders

## Board Focused on Return of Capital



- · Proposed dividend:
  - Represents one of the industry's highest implied payout ratios and dividend yields
  - Supported by many Transocean shareholders and members of the equity research community
  - Provides basis for increased return of capital in the future, while allowing Transocean to maintain a strong and flexible balance sheet and the ability to invest to ensure competitiveness
- · Although progress has been made in resolving legal uncertainties, distributing capital in excess of proposed dividend in the context of remaining uncertainties could be detrimental to long-term shareholder value

## Additional returns of capital may be appropriate once litigation uncertainties diminish

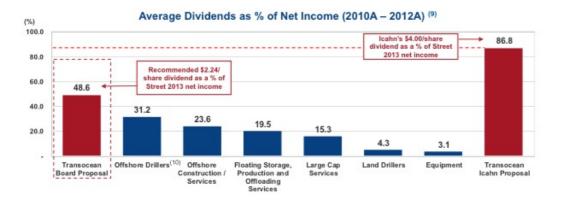
Note
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## Return of Capital -Substantial Payout



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- Transocean's recommended dividend ranks favorably when viewed as a percentage of Street consensus 2013 net income
- · In our opinion, payout ratios significantly higher than this level will threaten the company's operating flexibility and investment grade credit rating - putting its long-term performance at risk



Source: Capital IQ (April 19, 2013), Company Filings

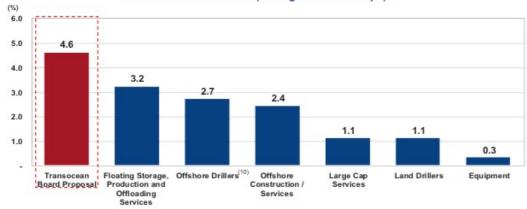
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# Return of Capital – Compelling Yield



 Transocean's dividend yield of 4.6% (based on \$2.24 dividend/share) ranks favorably among other offshore drilling companies and other oilfield services sectors

## Indicated Dividend Yield (Average of Peer Groups) (11)



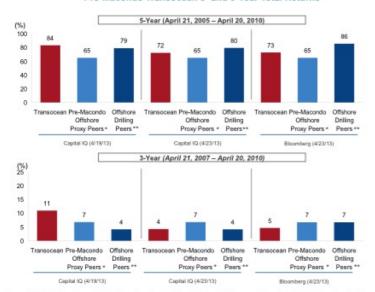
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## Transocean Total Return Performance vs. Peers

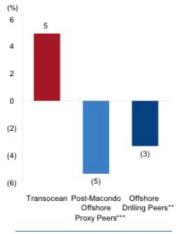


#### Pre-Macondo Transocean 5- and 3-Year Total Returns



#### Macondo Settlement Has Been a Catalyst for Transocean

Total Return Since Macondo Settlement (January 2, 2013 – April 19, 2013)



Capital IQ and Bloomberg (4/19/13 and 4/23/13)

Source: Capital IQ, Bloomberg. Capital IQ made a change in its methodology for the computation of total shareholder return for Transocean on April 23, 2013 following questions from Transocean representatives. The column entitled "Capital IQ (4/23/13)" reflects this update. For the sake of completeness, this chart also reflects the calculation based upon the original Capital IQ methodology under the heading "Capital IQ (4/19/13)" and total shareholder return data from Bloomberg under the heading "Bloomberg (4/23/13)"

Notes

\* Peers include offshore drilling companies (that are still publicly traded today) included in 2006 to 2010 Transocean definitive proxy filings (Diamond, Ensoc, Noble and Rowan)

\*\* Broader set of offshore drilling peers include Diamond, Ensoc, Noble, Rowan, Seadrill, Alwood and Hercules; Pacific Drilling included in analysis post-IPO (November 2011) only

\*\*\* Peers include offshore drilling companies included in 2011 to 2012 Transocean definitive proxy filings (Diamond, Ensoc, Noble, Rowan and Seadrill)

## Analysts Agree with Our Approach



"At this point, we believe Icahn has an uphill battle heading into the shareholder vote on May 17 as we think it is undisputed that Transocean needs to high-grade its fleet, and handcuffing the company into such a high initial yield would put the company at a disadvantage" – Megan Repine, FBR (4/16/13)

"We think <u>Transocean's dividend proposal of \$2.24 per share strikes a more reasonable balance</u> between capital reinvestment in the fleet and return of capital to shareholders. <u>If we compare Transocean's proposed payout with the rest of the industry's payouts, we think Transocean looks very reasonable." – **Stephen Ellis, Morningstar (4/5/13)**</u>

"We believe it is in RIG shareholders' long term interests to re-stimulate growth instead of simply paying dividends (we agree with management's proposal of a ~4% yield dividend...)." – Brad Handler, Jefferies (3/15/13)

"The real risk with being downgraded is that if the sector turns, it is much more difficult to raise capital if you are a highyield company with a constrained balance sheet." – Harry Mateer, Barclays Credit Research (3/7/13)

"While a higher dividend would be nice - we agree with management's decision to focus on both a dividend and a fleet renewal." - Credit Suisse (3/21/13)

"The announcement of \$2.24/share dividend struck the right balance between fiscal prudence and shareholder return." – Mike Urban, Deutsche Bank (3/5/13)

"A dividend of \$2.24 per share...equates to a healthy dividend yield of 4%. The \$4-per share dividend...is unreasonably high and could put the company's debt rating at risk with rating agencies." – Robert MacKenzie, FBR (3/5/13)

"We believe the correct dividend [proposed by the Board] is reasonable and achieves goals of growth, return of capital and financial flexibility." – Angie Sedita, UBS (3/4/13)

## Corporate and Financing Structures



- In the interest of maximizing long-term value, the company continuously evaluates alternative corporate and financing structures with the goal of optimizing Transocean's cost of capital
- Transocean has a proven track record of executing value-enhancing corporate and financing structures
  - Tax inversion
  - Re-domestication to Switzerland
  - Largest-ever convertible bond offering
  - Secured revolver and asset-backed financing
- All financial and structural alternatives, including an MLP or MLP-like structure, require rigorous, in-depth analysis
  - We will continue to keep Transocean's shareholders informed of our progress



## IV. Independent and Experienced Board

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## Strong Corporate Governance and Board



Example		Performance / Action
Board Renewal	1	Six independent directors added in last two years
Diverse Board Experience	✓	Proven business leaders with a broad and deep range of international leadership experience in oilfield and offshore drilling services, finance, manufacturing, law, health, safety and environment, and other areas crucial to the company's business
Commitment to Return of Capital	1	Proposed dividend yield and payout ratio exceeds peer averages
Independent Chairman	1	Separate CEO and Chairman roles
Executive Compensation In Line with Peers	1	Executive compensation cited as low concern for proxy advisory firms

Transocean's approach to corporate governance is to regularly infuse fresh perspectives into an experienced and knowledgeable Board that has overseen significant progress during a uniquely challenging period in the company's history

## Frequent and Dynamic Board Discussions



#### · Monthly Reports

 CEO formally reports to Board monthly providing updates on the business, key decisions, etc., offering Board an opportunity to respond and discuss

#### · Board and Committee Meetings

- Board interactions required to be outside of US
- Frequent Board conference calls
- Meet quarterly, at a minimum (Audit Committee meets eight times / year)

#### · Independent Directors

Meet in executive session

#### Annual Self-Evaluation

- Effectiveness of the Board and its Committees
- Structure and composition
- Review of the responsibilities of the Committees
- Frequency of Board and Committee meetings

## · Significant Board and Management Engagement

- Ongoing dialogue between management and Committee chairs
- Frequent informal conference calls
- Open communication with General Counsel

#### Continuous Infusion of Fresh Transocean Perspectives 6 Board members added in last 2 years Jagjeet S. Bindra Steven L. Newman Glyn Barker Frederico Curado **Joining** Tan Ek Kia Vanessa C.L. Chang Board Chad Deaton Steve Lucas Member Year 2010 2011 2012 2013 Robert L. Long Robert E. Rose Departing Kristian Siem W. Richard Anderson Board John L. Whitmire Victor E. Grijalva Member Richard L. George

# Strength of Transocean Nominees



Frederico F. Curado President and CEO - Embraer	Significant senior management experience operating an international corporation     In-depth knowledge of Brazil, an important operating region for the company
Thomas W. Cason Former Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer - Baker Hughes	Extensive professional experience in the finance area of the oilfield services industry     Significant financial acumen and experience     14 years of oil and gas / offshore drilling experience
Steven L. Newman President and CEO - Transocean	Long-time company leader, managed through Macondo     Unique perspective in industry and competitive matters     22 years of oil and gas / offshore drilling experience
Robert M. Sprague Former Executive - Royal Dutch/Shell	Significant technical knowledge and experience as a customer     Provides substantial international perspective and experience     36 years of oil and gas / offshore drilling experience
J. Michael Talbert Chairman of the Board - Transocean	Deep knowledge of the industry, customers and Transocean     Extensive senior executive experience in the energy sector     32 years of oil and gas / offshore drilling experience



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## We firmly believe:

- Icahn has failed to invest the appropriate time and analysis necessary to understand Transocean's business and industry
- Icahn has focused on potential short-term gains at the expense of the company's future and that of stakeholders
- Icahn has nominated Board nominees who are closely tied to him and who lack relevant industry and financial experience
- Distributing additional capital, above the \$800 million Board proposal, in the context of current uncertainties would be detrimental to long-term shareholder value
  - In the future, increases in the proposed \$2.24 per share distribution may be appropriate once litigation uncertainties diminish

Transocean's Board is focused on a balanced capital allocation strategy and it does not intend to take steps that will threaten the company's financial flexibility, long-term competitiveness and ability to deliver future increases in return of capital

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## **Analyst Commentary**



"\$4/share dividend plan would be financially feasible for the company but would significantly reduce flexibility to pursue newbuild opportunities and could jeopardize RIG's investment grade credit ratings, which are important during downturns in the contract drilling sector."

- Harry Mateer, Barclays (4/17/13)

"What's galling, in our view, is the unreasonable nature of Icahn's demands, which show a poor understanding of the offshore drilling business and threatens to derail a series of balance sheet and operational improvements during the next few years that we believe will create significant long-term shareholder value....None of his proposed nominees have any offshore drilling experience, two out of three lack any oil and gas background, and all have been or are now associated with current or past Icahn entities."

- Stephen Ellis, Morningstar (4/5/13)

"We do not agree with Mr. Icahn's proposals due to the potential impact on the longer-term competitive standing of the fleet," - Trey Stolz, Iberia (3/18/13)

"[W]e do not rule out a USD 4/s annual dividend as possible, but timing is not today. RIG's balance sheet is too soft as we see it, with too many loose end[s] needing to be tied up. Internally (operations, fleet growth) and externally (e.g., Macondo, Frade)."

- Truls Olsen, Fearnley Securities (3/18/13)

"We believe it is in RIG shareholders' long term interests to re-stimulate growth instead of simply paying dividends (we agree with management's proposal of a ~4% yield dividend vs. more aggressive calls for a 7%+ yield)."

- Brad Handler, Jefferies (3/15/13)

Handpicked Nominees to Pursue Icahn's Misguided Agenda



- · We believe nominees are closely tied to Icahn through current and past associations
- In our view, Icahn's Board nominees lack industry experience and are handpicked nominees to pursue Icahn's misguided agenda
  - Two of three have no oil and gas experience
  - None have experience in the offshore drilling industry
  - Limited international exposure
  - General lack of financial and corporate structuring experience
  - Very little experience in a service-oriented industry
  - Limited experience with operator contractor business models
  - Little exposure to complex international tax treaties and networks

Hand-Picked Slate that is Captive to Misguided Agenda



## John J. Lipinski

- · During his contentious takeover of CVR, Icahn said that Lipinski
  - Trying to fool shareholders
  - A CEO with a "dismal" performance and that CVR Energy was being mismanaged
  - More interested in empire building than increasing value
- · No offshore drilling experience

### Samuel Merksamer

- · Long-time employee of lcahn; lack of independence from Icahn that stakeholders and corporate governance experts demand
- No oil and gas operating experience and no experience in the offshore drilling industry
- · Little operational experience in any industry

## Jose Maria Alapont

- · Limited experience as a director of a public company
- · No known oil and gas experience and no offshore drilling experience
- · Shareholder return performance of Federal-Mogul Corp. under his leadership was (75%)\*
- · Closely tied with Icahn; relationship since 2005

Notes
"Based on Capital IQ Dividend-Adjusted Total Return for the period April 23, 2008 (relisting date) to April 19, 2013

## Transocean's Progress on Its Strategy



- Operational Turnaround
  - Utilization improved from 58% to 79% from Q4 2010 to Q4 2012
  - Revenue efficiency has increased from 89% to 95% from Q4 2010 to Q4 2012
  - Future margin improvement opportunities identified and execution plan in place

#### 2 Manage Fleet of High-Quality Assets

- Percent of high-specification assets increased 30% in last 2 years (19% increase in UDW)
- Portfolio today more geared toward high-specification assets
- 3 Progress on Litigation Uncertainties
  - Significant reduction in Macondo-related uncertainties
  - Also, Frade and Norway litigation uncertainties reduced
  - Strengthening Balance Sheet and Increasing Financial Flexibility
    - \$1.0 billion of early debt retirement to support investment grade rating (on track to achieve \$7 billion to \$9 billion debt target)
    - Financial flexibility allows Transocean to make necessary high-return investments for long-term success and increased future returns of capital
  - Return of Capital to Shareholders
    - Proposed reinstatement of \$2.24/share dividend (\$800 million) with goal of future increases as uncertainties diminish
    - Payout ratio and dividend yield well above peer averages
    - Assemble and Leverage Best-in-Class Management and Board
    - Addition of Esa Ikäheimonen as CFO in 2012; relevant experience as Seadrill CFO
    - Six new Board members added in the last 2 years (plus Frederico Curado this year)



















## VI. Appendix

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## Capital Investment – Shell Newbuilds



## Strategic Rationale

- · Long-term (10-year) contracts for each of the four newbuilds
- · Profitable growth opportunity and asset portfolio improvement
- · Strategic placement of state-of-the-art unit with a major international customer
- · Expands market position in ultra-deepwater

#### **Financial Rationale**

- · \$7.6 billion increase in backlog; long-dated
- Expect to return approximately ~\$4.2 billion or 140% simple payback over the initial contract period
- · Significant free cash flow contribution

### **Illustrative Shell Newbuild Timeline**

- Four Shell newbuilds phased in over a 15-18 month period estimated to begin in Q4 2015
- · Estimated rig life based on timeline illustrated below



# Current and Past Board Composition



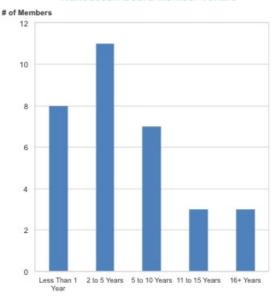
### Commitment

- Average tenure of 6.3 years across all past and present members
- Average tenure of current board is 6.5 years

## Expertise

- Extensive industry knowledge in oil & gas and offshore drilling
- Current and past members include former CEOs, CFOs and Business Unit Leaders

### Transocean Board Member Tenure



Why Icahn Is Really Attacking the Equity Raise



 We believe the real reasons as to why Icahn has attacked the Board for the equity raise are because of his misguided views:

## Icahn's Misguided Views

### Transocean Views

Investment Grade Credit Rating Doesn't Matter

- Board authorized the equity issuance in order to ensure financial flexibility
  - Investment grade rating is important component of financial flexibility and access to capital
- Loss of investment grade rating would have a real, negative impact on shareholder value
- Icahn confusing concept that "rating doesn't matter" with "investment grade doesn't matter"

Transocean Doesn't Need to Invest Significant Capital Back in the Business

- Financial flexibility is needed in order to make disciplined, high-return investments in the fleet to ensure long-term competitiveness
- Icahn dismisses the need to maintain financial flexibility and access to capital because he doesn't understand the need for investments such as Aker
  - Revenue efficiency for existing Aker rigs has exceeded expectations
  - Contract for both newbuilds have exceeded expectations as well
  - Based on our current outlook, we expect return on capital (above 10%) to exceed our cost of capital





	Frederico F. Curado	Thomas W. Cason	Steven L. Newman	Robert M. Sprague	J. Michael Talbert
Oil and gas / offshore drilling experience	0	14	22	36	32
Number of current board seats (outside Transocean)	1	0	0	0	0
CEO / CFO experience	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>
International exposure to key RIG markets	✓	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>	~
Financial and corporate structure expertise	✓	✓	✓	✓	~
Experience working in a service-oriented industry	~	✓	<b>✓</b>		~
Worked with operator / contractor business model	~	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>	✓
International experience	✓	✓	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>
Independent	V	1		1	~

## Appendix RIG Nominee – Frederico Curado



### Frederico F. Curado, President and CEO - Embraer

Frederico F. Curado has served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Embraer S.A. (NYSE: ERJ) since 2008. Mr. Curado joined Embraer in 1984 and has served in a variety of management positions during his career, including Executive Vice President, Airline Market from 1998 to 2007 and Executive Vice President, Planning and Organizational Development from 1997 to 1998. Mr. Curado is also the President of the Brazilian Chapter of the Brazil-United States Business Counsel and a member of Brazil's National Council for Industrial Development. Mr. Curado received his Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical-Aeronautical Engineering from the Instituto Tecnólogico de Aeronáutica in Brazil, a post-graduate degree in foreign trade from the Getúlio Vargas Foundation, Brazil and an executive Masters in Business Administration from the University of São Paulo, Brazil.



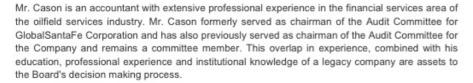
The Board of Directors believes Mr. Curado's significant senior management experience operating an international corporation, including experience with Brazilian business and governmental sectors will benefit the Board's decision-making process.

## Appendix RIG Nominee – Thomas Cason



## Thomas W. Cason, Former Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer - Baker Hughes

Thomas W. Cason has served as a director of the Company since 2007. He served as a director of GlobalSantaFe Corporation from 2001 until 2007 and of Global Marine, Inc. from 1995 to 2001. Mr. Cason owned and managed five agricultural equipment dealerships until his retirement in 2006. He served as interim President and Chief Operating Officer of Key Tronic Corporation during 1994 and 1995 and was a partner in Hiller Key Tronic Partners, L.P. Mr. Cason previously held various financial and operating positions with Baker Hughes Incorporated, including senior executive positions with Baker Hughes' Drilling Group, serving most recently as Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Baker Hughes Incorporated. Mr. Cason started his career as a public accountant with Arthur Young & Company. Mr. Cason served as a member of the Board of Directors of Mirant Corporation from 2006 until December 2010 and was chairman of its Audit Committee from 2006 until 2009. Mr. Cason received his Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting in 1970 from Louisiana State University.



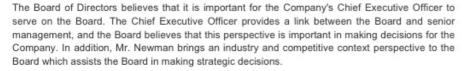


## Appendix RIG Nominee – Steven Newman



#### Steven L. Newman, President and Chief Executive Officer - Transocean

Steven L. Newman is President and Chief Executive Officer, and a member of the Board of the Company since 2010. Before being named as Chief Executive Officer in March 2010, Mr. Newman served as President and Chief Operating Officer from 2008 to 2009 and subsequently as President. Mr. Newman's prior senior management roles included Executive Vice President, Performance (2007 to 2008), Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer (2006 to 2007), Senior Vice President of Human Resources and Information Process Solutions (2006 to 2006), Senior Vice President of Human Resources, Information Process Solutions and Treasury (2005 to 2006), and Vice President of Performance and Technology (2003 to 2005). He also has served as Regional Manager for the Asia and Australia Region and in international field and operations management positions, including Project Engineer, Rig Manager, Division Manager, Region Marketing Manager and Region Operations Manager. Mr. Newman joined the Company in 1994 in the Corporate Planning Department. Mr. Newman received his Bachelor of Science degree in Petroleum Engineering in 1989 from the Colorado School of Mines and his MBA in 1992 from the Harvard University Graduate School of Business. Mr. Newman is also a member of the Society of Petroleum Engineers.





## Appendix RIG Nominee – Robert Sprague



### Robert M. Sprague, Former Executive - Royal Dutch/Shell

Robert M. Sprague has served as a director of the Company since 2004. Mr. Sprague is the retired Regional Business Director of Shell EP International BV, a position in which he served from 1997 until 2003. Mr. Sprague served as Director of Strategy & Business Services for Shell EP International BV from 1996 until 1997 and as Exploration & Production Coordinator of Shell International Petroleum BV from 1994 to 1995. Mr. Sprague joined the Royal Dutch/Shell group of companies in 1967 and served in a variety of positions in the United States and Europe during his career, including as a director of Shell Canada Limited, a publicly traded company, from 2000 to 2003. Mr. Sprague received his Bachelor of Science degree in 1966 and his Masters in Electrical Engineering degree in 1967 from Cornell University.



Mr. Sprague is an engineer by education and spent many years serving in senior management in the energy business with one of the Company's customers and thus brings a helpful perspective to the Board. In addition, most of his professional career was spent serving in the oil and gas industry outside the United States, thus bringing an important international perspective to the Board.

## Appendix RIG Nominee – J. Michael Talbert



#### J. Michael Talbert, Chairman of the Board - Transocean

J. Michael Talbert has served as a director of the Company since 1994. He has served as the non-executive Chairman of the Board since 2011 and previously served as non-executive Vice Chairman of the Board from 2010 to 2011, non-executive Chairman of the Board from 2004 to 2007 and executive Chairman of the Board from 2002 to 2004. Mr. Talbert also served as Chief Executive Officer from 1994 until 2002, Chairman of the Board of Directors from 1994 until 1999, and as President from 1999 until 2001. Prior to assuming his duties with us, Mr. Talbert was President and Chief Executive Officer of Lone Star Gas Company, a natural gas distribution company and a division of Ensearch Corporation. He was a director of El Paso Corporation from 2003 to 2012, when that company was acquired by Kinder Morgan, Inc. Within the past ten years, Mr. Talbert was also a director and the chairman of TODCO. Mr. Talbert received his Bachelor of Science degree in chemical engineering in 1970 from the University of Akron and his MBA in 1975 from Loyola of the South.



Mr. Talbert holds an engineering degree and an MBA and has extensive executive experience in the energy sector including serving as a senior executive in exploration and production and as the former CEO of Transocean. As a result, he brings a valuable perspective to the Board based upon his in-depth knowledge of the Company and understanding of the business. His knowledge from the customer perspective and his knowledge of the culture of the Company are helpful in analyzing the future direction of the Company. Mr. Talbert also has relevant experience in merger and acquisition activity, including negotiating transactions as well as the integration of combined companies and boards.

# Appendix Comparable Companies



Symbol	Company	
Large Cap Services		
SLB	Schlumberger	
HAL	Halliburton	
BHI	Baker Hughes	
WFT	Weatherford	
Offshore Construction / Services		
SPM	Saipem	
TEC	Technip	
SUBC	Subsea 7	
OII	Oceaneering	
Floating Storage, Production and Offloading Services		
SBMO	SBM Offshore	
MODEC	MODEC	
BWO	BW Offshore	
Equipment		
NOV	National Oilwell Varco	
CAM	Cameron International	
FTI	FMC Technologies	
Land Drillers		
HP	Helmerich & Payne	
NBR	Nabors Industries	
Offshore Drillers		
RIG	Transocean	
SDRL	Seadrill	
ESV	Ensco	
DO	Diamond Offshore	
NE	Noble	
RDC	Rowan Companies	
ATW	Atwood	
PACD	Pacific Drilling	
HERO	Hercules Offshore	