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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS May 23, 2014

To Our Stockholders:

The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of Lumber Liquidators Holdings, Inc. will be held on Friday, May 23, 2014, at 10:00 a.m., at our headquarters located at 3000 John Deere Road, Toano, Virginia, for the following purposes:

- To elect three directors, Robert M. Lynch, Peter B. Robinson and Martin F. Roper, to hold office until the 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and until their successors are elected and qualified (Proposal One);
- 2. To ratify the selection of Ernst & Young LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2014 (Proposal Two);
 - 3. To approve, in an advisory (non-binding) vote, our executive compensation (Proposal Three); and
 - 4. To consider and act upon any other business which may properly come before the Annual Meeting.

 Only stockholders of record at the close of business on March 28, 2014 are entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the Annual Meeting.

The foregoing items of business are more fully described in the Proxy Statement accompanying this notice.

Whether or not you plan to attend the Annual Meeting, your vote is very important. Please vote. There are four ways that you can cast your vote by Internet, by telephone, by mail or in person at the Annual Meeting. Voting by the Internet or telephone is fast, convenient and your vote is immediately confirmed and tabulated. By using the Internet or telephone, you help us reduce postage and proxy tabulation costs. Please do not return the enclosed paper ballot if you are voting over the Internet or by telephone.

Any stockholder who later finds that he or she can be present at the Annual Meeting, or for any reason desires to do so, may revoke the proxy at any time before it is voted.

By order of the Board of Directors,

E. Livingston B. Haskell Secretary

Toano, Virginia April 10, 2014

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING THE AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIALS FOR THE STOCKHOLDER MEETING TO BE HELD ON MAY 23, 2014.

The proxy statement and the 2013 Annual Report to Stockholders on Form 10-K are available at www.investors.lumberliquidators.com/proxy.

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PROXY STATEMENT

This Proxy Statement is furnished in connection with the solicitation of proxies by the Board of Directors (the Board) of Lumber Liquidators Holdings, Inc. (the Company, us or we) for use at the 2014 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the Annual Meeting) to be held on Friday, May 23, 2014, at the time and place set forth in the notice of the meeting, and at any adjournments or postponements thereof.

We are providing access to our proxy materials, including this Proxy Statement, our annual report on Form 10-K and an electronic form of proxy card, primarily over the Internet rather than mailing paper copies of those materials to each shareholder. On or about April 10, 2014, we will mail to our shareholders a Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials (the Notice), which provides website and other information for the purpose of accessing our proxy materials. You may access the proxy materials on the website referred to in the Notice or request a printed or electronic set of the proxy materials. Instructions on how to access the proxy materials through the Internet or to request a printed or electronic copy may be found in the Notice.

Shareholders may vote in any of the following four ways by Internet, by telephone, in person at the Annual Meeting or, if you requested printed copies of the proxy materials, by signing, dating and mailing the proxy card you receive in the envelope provided.

A properly executed proxy will be voted in the manner directed by the stockholder. If no instructions are specified, proxies will be voted for the directors listed in Proposal One and in favor of Proposals Two and Three. In addition, if other matters properly come before the Annual Meeting or any adjournments or postponements thereof, the persons named in the accompanying proxy and acting thereunder will have discretion to vote on such matters in accordance with their best judgment. Any person has the power to revoke a proxy by submitting a subsequent vote using any of the methods described above, by voting in person at the Annual Meeting, or by giving written notice of revocation to our corporate secretary at any time before the proxy is exercised. Please note, however, that if your shares are held of record by a broker, bank or nominee and you wish to vote at the Annual Meeting, you will not be permitted to vote in person unless you first obtain a legal proxy issued in your name from the record holder.

A quorum is necessary for the transaction of business at the Annual Meeting. A quorum exists when a majority of the common stock entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting is present either in person or by proxy. Abstentions, broker non-votes and votes withheld for director nominees will count as shares present at the Annual Meeting for purposes of determining whether a quorum exists. With respect to the election of directors, such election will be decided by plurality vote of the votes cast at the Annual Meeting, either in person or by proxy. Brokers may not vote on the election of directors without instructions from the beneficial owners of the shares. The three nominees for director receiving the highest number of votes cast in person or by proxy at the Annual Meeting will be elected. For approval of the ratification of auditors and advisory vote on executive compensation, the votes cast at the Annual Meeting in favor of each proposal, either in person or by proxy, must exceed the votes cast opposing the action. Brokers have discretionary authority to vote on the ratification of auditors, but may not vote on the advisory vote on executive compensation without instructions from the beneficial owners of the shares. Abstentions and broker non-votes will not affect the outcome of the votes. Our inspector of elections will tabulate the votes cast by each proxy and in person at the Annual Meeting.

We will bear the cost of the solicitation. In addition to mailing this material to stockholders, we have asked banks and brokers to forward copies to persons for whom they hold our stock and request authority for execution of the proxies. We will reimburse the banks and brokers for their reasonable out-of-pocket expenses in doing so. Our officers and regular employees, without being additionally compensated, may solicit proxies by mail, telephone, telegram,

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facsimile or personal contact. All reasonable proxy soliciting expenses will be paid by us in connection with the solicitation of votes for the Annual Meeting.

Our principal executive offices are located at 3000 John Deere Road, Toano, Virginia 23168, telephone number (757) 259-4280.

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Record Date and Voting Securities

Only stockholders of record at the close of business on March 28, 2014 are entitled to notice of and to vote at the Annual Meeting. On that date, we had outstanding and entitled to vote 27,510,400 shares of common stock, \$0.001 par value per share. Each outstanding share of our common stock entitles the record holder to one (1) vote on each matter.

PROPOSAL ONE

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors is currently fixed at nine (9) members divided into three classes, with each class having one-third of the total number of directors. The three-year terms of each class are staggered so that the term of one class expires at each annual meeting. The term of office of our Class II directors will end at this year s Annual Meeting of Stockholders. Our Class III directors terms will end at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders in 2015. Our Class I directors terms will end at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders in 2016. Each director serves a three-year term and will continue in office until a successor has been elected and qualified, subject to earlier resignation, retirement or removal from office. The Board, upon the recommendation of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, has nominated Robert M. Lynch, Peter B. Robinson and Martin F. Roper for reelection to the Board as Class II directors for three-year terms ending in 2017. The following pages set forth information concerning the nominees and the directors whose terms of office will continue after the Annual Meeting including certain experiences, qualifications, attributes and/or skills that led us to conclude that each of them should serve as a director.

If any nominee is unable to serve as a director, the persons named in the enclosed proxy reserve the right to vote for a lesser number of directors or for a substitute nominee designated by the Board, to the extent consistent with our Certificate of Incorporation and our Bylaws. All of the nominees listed above have consented to be nominated and to serve if elected. We do not expect that any nominee will be unable to serve.

Nominees for Election for Terms Expiring in 2017 (Class II)

Robert M. Lynch, 48, has been a director since January 2012. He currently serves as our president and chief executive officer, and from January 2011 to January 2012, served as our president and chief operating officer. Prior to joining the Company in January 2011, Mr. Lynch was the president and chief executive officer of Orchard Supply Hardware, a member of the Sears Holdings Corporation family of companies, from 2004 to 2010. Previously, Mr. Lynch worked at The Home Depot, Inc., from 1998 to 2004, in various store operations and business development positions. Mr. Lynch has also held positions at Accenture Consulting and at Ernst & Young in the National Consumer Products & Retail Consulting Practice. Mr. Lynch began his career with Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. He currently serves on the board of directors of Dorman Products, Inc. and is a member of its Audit Committee, Compensation Committee, and Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee. Mr. Lynch holds an M.B.A. from The Amos Tuck School of Business Administration at Dartmouth College and a B.S. in psychology with an emphasis on human resource management from Brigham Young University.

As our president and chief executive officer (and formerly our chief operating officer), Mr. Lynch has experience with and knowledge of, among other things, our business plans, personnel, risks and financial results. Since joining the Company, he has been directly involved in our merchandising initiatives, international expansion and employee development initiatives. Further, Mr. Lynch possesses senior management experience and retail finance and operations expertise. He has an acute understanding of our business model, value proposition and market.

Peter B. Robinson, 65, has been a director since April 2010. Mr. Robinson served as an executive vice president of Burger King Corporation responsible for Burger King s global marketing and strategy functions until his retirement in

December 2010. Prior to assuming that role in December 2009, Mr. Robinson was an executive vice president and president of Burger King s Europe, Middle East and Africa business segment. Before joining Burger King, Mr. Robinson worked for General Mills, Inc. as president of Pillsbury USA, and senior vice president of General Mills Inc. from 2001 to 2006. Earlier in his career, Mr. Robinson held positions of increasing responsibility at The Pillsbury Company, PepsiCo, Kraft General Foods, and Procter & Gamble, Ltd. UK. Mr. Robinson holds a B.A. in economics from Newcastle University. He also serves on the board of directors of First Niagara Financial Group, Inc.

Mr. Robinson has more than 30 years of experience in the consumer foods industry in the United States, Europe, Middle East and Africa. Through this experience, he has acquired and developed leadership, operations and risk assessment skills. In addition, he possesses strategic development abilities, senior management experience and consumer marketing knowledge. Mr. Robinson has served on our Board since

April 2010 and has been a member of our Compensation Committee since May 2010. Through his service as a director, Mr. Robinson has gained insight, perspective and knowledge regarding our business, growth, operations and personnel.

Martin F. Roper, 51, has been a director since April 2006. Mr. Roper is the president and chief executive officer of The Boston Beer Company, Inc., where he has worked since 1994. Prior to assuming his current positions in January 2001, he had served as the president and chief operating officer of that company since December 1999. Mr. Roper has served on the board of directors of Boston Beer since 1999. He holds a B.A. in engineering and M.Eng. from Cambridge University and an M.B.A. from Harvard Business School.

As a director and chief executive officer of a publicly traded company, Mr. Roper has senior management, strategic development and financial experience. In addition, Mr. Roper possesses experience in public relations, consumer marketing, investor relations, product development and risk management. Mr. Roper has served on our Board for nearly eight years and has been Chairman of the Compensation Committee and a member of the Audit Committee since our initial public offering in November 2007 (IPO). His experience as a director has provided him with insight, perspective and knowledge regarding our business, growth, operations and personnel.

The Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR the election of Messrs. Lynch, Robinson and Roper.

Incumbent Directors Whose Terms Expire in 2015 (Class III)

Douglas T. Moore, 57, has been a director since April 2006. He currently serves as the President and Chief Executive Officer of Med-Air Homecare, and Principal of First Street Consulting, LLC, a retail consulting firm, where he has worked since June 2012. From February 2012 through June 2012, Mr. Moore served as the chief merchandising and marketing officer at hhgregg, Inc. From December 2010 through February 2012, Mr. Moore served as vice president operations for Safelite Group, a subsidiary of Belron, and as the principal of First Street Consulting, LLC. Prior to December 2010, Mr. Moore served as senior vice president, president appliances for Sears Holdings Corporation. From 2007 to 2008, Mr. Moore served as senior vice president, hardlines merchandising for Sears where he was the chief merchant for the appliance, lawn and garden, tools, home electronics and sporting goods businesses. Prior to joining Sears, Mr. Moore served for 17 years as a senior executive of Circuit City Stores, Inc., with his last position as executive vice president, chief merchandising officer. Circuit City filed a petition for relief under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code in November 2008. Mr. Moore has also held operational and consumer marketing positions at AMF Bowling, Inc., A.H. Robins Company, Inc. and the Carnation Company. He received his undergraduate degree and M.B.A. from the University of Virginia.

Through his more than 20 years of retail experience, Mr. Moore has developed an understanding of strategic and tactical business issues that include store operations, merchandising, supply chain, sourcing and human resource planning. He also possesses senior management, marketing, risk assessment and retail knowledge. He has served on our Board for nearly eight years and has been Chairman of our Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and a member of our Audit Committee since our IPO. Through his service as a director, Mr. Moore has gained insight, perspective and knowledge regarding our business, growth, operations and personnel.

Nancy M. Taylor, 54, has been a director since April 1, 2014. Ms. Taylor is the president and chief executive officer of Tredegar Corporation, serving in such roles since January 2010, and is a member of Tredegar s board of directors.

Prior to assuming her current positions, she was executive vice president of Tredegar responsible for corporate business development in addition to her role as president of Tredegar Film Products. Previously, she served in roles of increasing responsibility at Tredegar since she joined the company in 1991. Before joining Tredegar, she was an associate at the law firm of Hunton & Williams. Ms. Taylor received a B.A. from the College of the Holy Cross and a law degree from Catholic University of America.

Ms. Taylor has significant experience as a chief executive officer and director of a publicly traded international manufacturer. Through her experience, she has gained and developed extensive business, finance and leadership skills. Further, she possesses an understanding of strategic planning, risk assessment and international operations.

Jimmie L. Wade, 60, has been a director since September 2011. Mr. Wade currently provides strategic leadership to Advance Auto Parts, Inc. and serves on its board of directors and Finance Committee, and as chairman of Autopart International, a subsidiary of Advance. Mr. Wade joined Advance in February 1994 and served as president from October 1999 through May 2005 and from January 2009 until December 2011. He also held several other key senior executive roles with Advance at various times including executive vice president, from May 2005 to December 2008, and chief financial officer. Before joining Advance, Mr. Wade worked for S.H. Heironimus, Inc., a regional department store, as vice president, finance and operations. Earlier in his career, Mr. Wade held positions with American Motor Inns, Inc. and KPMG LLP. He also serves on numerous non-profit boards. Mr. Wade holds a B.S. in accounting from Virginia Tech and is a Certified Public Accountant.

Mr. Wade has extensive experience as a senior executive and director of a leading publicly traded specialty retailer that has achieved significant growth during his tenure. Through his experience, he has gained and developed extensive business, finance, distribution, marketing and leadership skills. Further, he possesses an understanding of strategic business planning, risk assessment and store operations. Mr. Wade has served on our Board since September 2011 and has been a member of our Audit Committee since November 2011. Through his service as a director, Mr. Wade has gained insight, perspective and knowledge regarding our business, growth, operations and personnel.

Incumbent Directors Whose Terms Expire in 2016 (Class I)

Macon F. Brock, Jr., 71, has been a director since November 2007. Mr. Brock is a founder and chairman of the board of Dollar Tree, Inc. He served as the president of Dollar Tree from 1986 until 2001 and as chief executive officer from 1993 until 2003. He has been a director of Dollar Tree since 1986 and chairman of the board since 2001. Until 1991, Mr. Brock was an officer and director of K&K Toys, Inc. He also serves on the board of directors of several privately held companies and non-profit organizations and previously served on the board of directors of rue21, Inc. Mr. Brock earned his B.A. from Randolph-Macon College and served as a Captain in the U.S. Marine Corps.

As a founder and former chief executive officer of a nationwide retail company, Mr. Brock has experience with strategic business development, store operations, logistics, procurement, risk management, sales, marketing and other matters. In addition, he has experience serving as a director of a public company. Since joining our Board in 2007, Mr. Brock has served on both our Compensation Committee and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee. Through his service as a director, Mr. Brock has gained insight, perspective and knowledge regarding our business, growth, operations and personnel.

John M. Presley, 53, has been a director since April 2006. Mr. Presley is the managing director and chief executive officer of First Capital Bancorp in Glen Allen, Virginia. Prior to March 2008, he was head of strategic initiatives at Fifth Third Bancorp, where he was responsible for executing banking strategies in existing and emerging markets. He served as chief financial officer for Marshall & Ilsley Corp. from 2004 to 2006. Earlier in his career, Mr. Presley was chief financial officer of National Commerce Financial Corp. in Memphis, Tennessee, and president and chief executive officer of First Market Bank in Richmond, Virginia. Mr. Presley holds a B.A. in economics and business administration from Rhodes College.

Mr. Presley possesses business, financial, risk management and banking industry expertise, as a chief executive officer and chief financial officer. He has thorough knowledge of generally accepted accounting principles and an understanding of internal control over financial reporting. Further, he has experience in preparing, auditing and analyzing financial statements. Mr. Presley has served on our Board for nearly eight years and has been Chairman of our Audit Committee, our audit committee financial expert, a member of our Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and our lead outside director since our IPO. His service as a director has provided him with insight, perspective and knowledge regarding our business, growth, operations and personnel.

Thomas D. Sullivan, 54, is our founder and has been the chairman of our Board since our inception in 1994. Prior to September 2006, Mr. Sullivan also served as our president and chief executive officer since our incorporation in 1994. He currently advises and supports our marketing and advertising departments and is active in our sourcing initiatives. He is involved with employee development initiatives and plays a key role

in setting and maintaining our corporate culture. In addition, he appears in some of our advertising materials and participates in public relations events on our behalf. Mr. Sullivan serves on the board of directors of several privately held companies.

As our founder and former president and chief executive officer, Mr. Sullivan has an intimate understanding of our business, customers, employees, risks and culture. Furthermore, he has an in-depth knowledge of our industry, suppliers and competitors. He possesses an entrepreneurial mindset and acumen for sales and marketing that have been valuable to the growth of the Company.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

We are committed to having sound corporate governance principles. Our Code of Business Conduct and Ethics, which applies to our directors, officers and employees, our Corporate Governance Guidelines and the charters of the Audit, Compensation and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committees are available on our website, www.lumberliquidators.com, and are also available in print, free of charge, to any stockholder who requests them. Such requests should be directed to Corporate Secretary, Lumber Liquidators Holdings, Inc., 3000 John Deere Road, Toano, Virginia 23168.

Independence

The Board, in its business judgment, has determined that the following seven of its nine members are independent from us, including under the independence standards contained in rules of the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE): Macon F. Brock, Jr., Douglas T. Moore, John M. Presley, Peter B. Robinson, Martin F. Roper, Nancy M. Taylor and Jimmie L. Wade. In reaching this conclusion, the Board considered whether we conduct business and have other relationships with organizations of which certain members of the Board or members of their immediate families are or were directors or officers. Our non-management directors had no transactions, arrangements or relationships with us, other than as directors and stockholders.

Lead Outside Director

Our Corporate Governance Guidelines provide for a lead outside director to be elected by vote of the outside directors to serve in that role either until the expiration of his or her then-current term as a director or until the outside directors otherwise choose to elect a new lead outside director. The lead outside director is responsible for coordinating the activities of the other outside directors, including the establishment of the agenda for executive sessions of the outside directors, with or without the presence of management. Currently, Mr. Presley serves as our lead outside director.

Board Leadership Structure

The Board does not have a policy on whether or not the roles of chief executive officer and chairman of the Board should be separate and, if they are to be separate, whether the chairman of the Board should be selected from the non-employee directors or be an employee. The offices of chief executive officer and chairman of the Board have been at times combined and at times separated, and the Board considers such combination or separation in conjunction with, among other things, its succession planning processes. Our Board believes that it should be free to make a choice regarding the leadership structure from time to time in any manner that is in our and our stockholders best interests.

We currently have separate individuals serving as chairman of the Board and as chief executive officer. Under the current structure, both the chairman and chief executive officer have responsibility for our business strategy and financial performance. Our chairman focuses on strategic matters relating to our marketing efforts and certain merchandising opportunities, while the chief executive officer is responsible for our operations and day-to-day management direction and execution. We believe that this separation of the positions represents the appropriate structure for us at this time.

Committees of the Board

The Board has established three standing committees: the Audit Committee, the Compensation Committee and the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, each composed of directors the Board has determined to be independent. Each committee operates pursuant to a written charter adopted by the Board that sets forth its roles and responsibilities and provides for an annual evaluation of its performance. The charters of all three committees are available at the investor relations page of our website at www.lumberliquidators.com and will be provided to any stockholder without charge upon the stockholder s written request to our corporate secretary. Each year, committee and committee chair assignments are made at the Board meeting immediately following the Annual Meeting of Stockholders. The current composition of each committee is as follows:

Audit	Compensation	Nominating and Corporate Governance
John M. Presley*	Martin F. Roper*	Douglas T. Moore*
Douglas T. Moore	Macon F. Brock, Jr.	Macon F. Brock, Jr.
Martin F. Roper	Peter B. Robinson	John M. Presley
Jimmie L. Wade		

^{*} Indicates chairperson of the committee.

The Board may establish such other committees as it deems appropriate, in accordance with applicable law and regulations and our Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws.

Audit Committee. The Audit Committee assists the Board in fulfilling the oversight responsibility of the Board to the stockholders relating to the integrity of our financial statements, compliance with legal and regulatory requirements, the qualifications, independence and performance of our independent registered public accounting firm and the performance of the internal audit function. The Committee is directly responsible for the appointment, compensation, retention and oversight of the work of our independent registered public accounting firm. The Audit Committee approves procedures for the pre-approval of audit and non-audit services provided to us by any independent auditors. It is also responsible for establishing, publishing, maintaining and overseeing our whistleblower procedures and our compliance and ethics program.

The Board, in its business judgment, has determined that all of the members of the Audit Committee are independent, as determined in accordance with the rules of the NYSE and any relevant federal securities laws and regulations. The Board also has determined that all of the Committee members are financially literate as defined by the rules of the NYSE and that Mr. Presley qualifies as an audit committee financial expert as defined by regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC).

No member of the Audit Committee served on any audit or similar committee of any other publicly held company in 2013.

Compensation Committee. The Compensation Committee has overall responsibility for evaluating and approving our executive officer incentive compensation, benefit, severance, equity-based or other compensation plans, policies and programs. The Compensation Committee may, in its discretion, engage outside consultants to assist in evaluating and determining appropriate compensation levels for our executives. The Compensation Committee has produced an annual report on executive compensation that is included in this Proxy Statement. The Board, in its business

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judgment, has determined that all of the members of the Compensation Committee are independent, as determined in accordance with the rules of the NYSE.

Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee assists the Board in implementing sound corporate governance principles and practices. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee also is charged with considering and recruiting individuals qualified to become Board members, conducting inquiries into the background, independence and qualifications of any candidates and recommending to the Board the director nominees. In performing these duties, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee uses its network of contacts to compile potential candidates, but may also engage, if it deems appropriate, a professional search firm. It also reviews the qualifications and independence of the members of the Board and its various committees on a regular basis

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and makes any recommendations the committee members may deem appropriate from time to time concerning any recommended changes in the composition of the Board. The Board, in its business judgment, has determined that all of the members of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee are independent, as determined in accordance with the rules of the NYSE.

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee will consider timely stockholder recommendations for candidates to serve on the Board. Such recommendations shall be sent to our corporate secretary and shall include (1) all information relating to the recommended person that is required to be disclosed in solicitations of proxies for election of directors in an election contest and such other information as we may require pursuant to any policy governing the selection of directors, and (2) a written consent from the recommended individual to being named in the proxy statement as a nominee and to serving as a director if elected. If the recommendation is not timely and in proper form, the nominee will not be considered by the committee. To be timely for the 2015 Annual Meeting, the recommendation must be received within the time frame set forth in Deadlines for Submission of Stockholder Proposals below. Nominees for director are selected in the context of an assessment of the perceived needs of the Board at the time and on the basis of, among other things, the following:

strength of character specific areas of expertise

judgment understanding of our business

skill principles of diversity

education reputation

business experience other personal attributes or special talents

Nominees should also be willing to spend the time necessary to discharge their responsibilities appropriately and to ensure that other existing or future commitments do not materially interfere with their responsibilities as members of the Board.

In determining the composition of the Board, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee seeks to include a diverse and complimentary range of skills and experience among our directors. Although it does not have a formal diversity policy, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee believes that the presence of differing viewpoints on the Board is a benefit to us. Accordingly, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee considers principles of diversity, which include, among other things, diversity in backgrounds, perspectives, expertise and qualifications, when assessing the Board as a whole, and individual director candidates.

Risk Management

We have designed and implemented processes to manage risk in our business. The Board s role in risk management is primarily one of oversight with the day-to-day responsibility for risk management implemented by our management

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team. The Board regularly reviews information provided by management regarding our business strategy, financial position and operations, and considers associated risks. In addition, the Board executes its oversight role through its Audit Committee and other committees which report regularly to the Board on their activities.

With regard to those committee activities, the Audit Committee has principal responsibility for implementing the Board's risk management oversight role. The Audit Committee reviews management is assessment of the key risks that we face, including the main controls upon which we rely to mitigate those risks. In particular, the Audit Committee focuses on financial and enterprise risk, including internal controls, and assesses our risk profile with our management and internal auditors. The internal control risk profile drives our internal audit plan. The Audit Committee also handles violations of our Code of Ethics and related corporate policies. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee assists in risk management by overseeing our compliance with legal and regulatory requirements and risks relating to our governance structure. The Compensation Committee reviews risks relating to our incentive compensation policies and arrangements.

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Board and Committee Attendance and Executive Sessions

During fiscal year 2013, the Board held a total of five meetings and took additional actions by unanimous written consent; the Audit Committee held six meetings and took additional actions by unanimous written consent; the Compensation Committee held three meetings and took additional actions by unanimous written consent; and the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee held one meeting and took additional actions by unanimous written consent. At the meetings of the Board, it is the practice of the Board to hold an executive session without management present, as well as a separate executive session with just the independent directors. During fiscal year 2013, each director attended 100% of the meetings of the Board and committees on which he served.

We strongly encourage all directors to attend Annual Meetings of Stockholders. All of our directors serving at the time attended the 2013 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, and it is expected that all current directors will attend the 2014 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

Communications to the Board

Stockholders, employees and other interested parties may contact an individual director, the Board as a group, the Lead Outside Director or a specified Board committee or group, including the non-employee directors as a group, at the following address: Corporate Secretary, Lumber Liquidators Holdings, Inc., 3000 John Deere Road, Toano, Virginia 23168, Attn: Board of Directors. We will receive and process communications before forwarding them to the addressee. Directors generally will not be forwarded communications that are primarily commercial in nature, relate to improper or irrelevant topics, or request general information about us, including inquiries regarding employment opportunities.

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

The following sets forth biographical information for our executive officers. Such information with respect to our founder and chairman, Thomas D. Sullivan, and our president and chief executive officer, Robert M. Lynch, is set forth above in the Proposal One Election of Directors section.

Carl R. Daniels, 60, has been our senior vice president, supply chain since October 2011. From 2009 to 2011, Mr. Daniels served as senior vice president of supply chain and operations at Harbor Freight Tools, Inc. Prior to assuming this position, he served as vice president of logistics for Michaels, Inc. from 2008 to 2009 and senior vice president of logistics for Retail Ventures Services, Inc. from 2002 to 2008. Earlier in his career, he held executive level logistics positions at Midas International, Inc. and certain regional department stores and retailers. He holds a B.S. in business administration and industrial management from Youngstown State University.

James L. Davis, 44, has been our senior vice president, sales since January 2014. Prior to assuming this position, Mr. Davis served us as a vice president, sales from March 2011 and a regional manager from 2009 to 2011. Prior to joining us, he held various dire

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