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## **SCHEDULE 14A**

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# MARCHEX, INC.

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## NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

#### 413 Pine Street, Suite 500

#### Seattle, Washington 98101

Dear holders of Class A common stock and Class B common stock of Marchex, Inc. ( Marchex or the Company ):

You are cordially invited to attend the annual meeting of stockholders of Marchex to be held at the Grand Hyatt Seattle, 721 Pine Street, Seattle, Washington 98101 on Friday, May 8, 2009, at 10:00 a.m. local time. The annual meeting is being held for the following purposes:

- (1) To elect seven individuals to serve on the Company s Board of Directors for the ensuing year and until their successors are elected;
- (2) To ratify the appointment of the independent registered public accounting firm KPMG LLP (KPMG) as the Company s independent accountants for the current fiscal year; and

(3) To transact any other business that may properly come before the annual meeting and any adjournment or postponement thereof. These items are fully discussed in the following pages, which are made part of this notice. Our board of directors recommends a vote FOR items 1 and 2. Only holders of record of the Company s Class A common stock and Class B common stock on the books of the Company at the close of business on April 1, 2009, are entitled to vote at the annual meeting. A list of stockholders entitled to vote will be available for inspection by any stockholder for any purpose germane to the meeting at the offices of Marchex, Inc., 413 Pine Street, Suite 500, Seattle, Washington, during ordinary business hours for the 10 days prior to the annual meeting.

Whether or not you plan to attend, please promptly complete, sign, date and return your proxy card in the enclosed envelope, so that we may vote your shares in accordance with your wishes and so that enough shares are represented to allow us to conduct the business of the annual meeting. If you hold shares in street name, you may be able to vote over the internet or by telephone by following the instructions on your proxy card. Mailing your proxy(ies) or voting over the internet or by telephone does not affect your right to vote in person if you attend the annual meeting. You may still vote in person if you are a stockholder entitled to vote and you attend the meeting, even if you have returned your proxy, provided that you affirmatively indicate your intention to vote your shares in person. Please note, however, that if a brokerage firm or bank holds your shares of record and you wish to vote at the meeting, you must obtain from the record holder a valid legal proxy issued in your name.

A copy of Marchex s annual report to stockholders for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008 is enclosed with this notice.

By order of the Board of Directors, Russell C. Horowitz

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

April 10, 2009

Your vote is very important. Even if you plan to attend the meeting,

#### PLEASE SIGN, DATE AND RETURN THE ENCLOSED PROXY PROMPTLY.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING THE AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIALS FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING OF

**STOCKHOLDERS TO BE HELD ON MAY 8, 2009:** Our proxy statement is attached. Financial and other information concerning Marchex is contained in our annual report to stockholders for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008. A complete set of proxy materials relating to our annual meeting is available on the internet. These materials, consisting of the notice of annual meeting, proxy statement, proxy card and annual report to stockholders, may be viewed at https://www.sendd.com/EZProxy/?project\_id=170.

#### PROXY STATEMENT

#### FOR THE

#### ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

413 Pine Street, Suite 500

Seattle, Washington 98101

#### INFORMATION ABOUT SOLICITATION AND VOTING

#### General

The enclosed proxy is solicited by the Board of Directors of Marchex for use in voting at the annual meeting of stockholders to be held at 10:00 a.m., local time, on Friday, May 8, 2009, at the Grand Hyatt Seattle located at 721 Pine Street, Seattle, Washington 98101, and any postponement or adjournment of that meeting. The Company s telephone number is (206) 331-3300. The purpose of the annual meeting is to consider and vote upon the proposals outlined in this proxy statement and the attached notice.

Marchex s Class B common stock is traded on the Nasdaq Global Market.

These proxy solicitation materials were mailed on or about April 10, 2009, together with the Company s annual report, to all holders of Class A common stock and Class B common stock entitled to vote at the meeting.

#### **Record Date and Outstanding Shares**

Only holders of record of shares of Class A common stock and Class B common stock on the books of the Company at the close of business on the record date, April 1, 2009, will be entitled to vote at the annual meeting. As of the close of business on the record date, there were 10,869,216 shares of Class A common stock outstanding and held of record by 4 stockholders and 25,170,510 shares of Class B common stock outstanding and held of record by 4 stockholders.

#### Proxies

The Board of Directors has selected Michael Arends, Chief Financial Officer, and Ethan Caldwell, General Counsel and Secretary, as proxies for the annual meeting. By submitting your proxy, you will authorize Mr. Arends and Mr. Caldwell to represent you and vote your shares at the meeting in accordance with your instructions. They may also vote your shares to adjourn the meeting and will be authorized to vote your shares at any adjournments or postponements of the meeting.

#### Meeting Attendance and Admission

You are entitled to attend the annual meeting only if you are a stockholder of record or a beneficial owner as of April 1, 2009. Since seating is limited, admission to the meeting will be on a first-come, first-served basis. You should be prepared to present a photo identification and proof of your stockholder status or beneficial ownership prior to being admitted to the annual meeting. If you are the stockholder of record, you will need to provide proof of status in the form of your proxy card. If you hold your shares in street name, you must provide proof of beneficial ownership on the record date, such as a brokerage account statement showing that you owned Marchex stock as of the record date, a copy of the voting instruction card provided by your broker, bank or other nominee, or other similar evidence of ownership as of the record date. If you do not present photo identification or comply with the other procedures outlined above upon request, you will not be admitted to the annual meeting.

#### Voting and Solicitation

Each stockholder entitled to vote at the meeting may vote in person at the annual meeting or by proxy. If you are the record holder of your shares and attend the meeting in person, you may deliver your completed proxy card to us at the meeting. If your shares are held in street name, please check your proxy card or contact your broker or nominee to determine whether you will be able to vote by telephone or on the internet. Internet and telephone voting procedures are designed to authenticate the stockholder s identity and to allow the stockholder to vote his or her shares and confirm that his or her voting instructions have been properly recorded. If you wish to vote in person at the annual meeting, you must obtain a legal proxy from the bank or brokerage firm that holds your shares.

When proxies are properly dated, executed and returned, the shares they represent will be voted at the annual meeting in accordance with the instructions of the stockholder. If no specific instructions are given, the shares will be voted FOR the election of the nominees for directors set forth herein and FOR ratification of the appointment of accountants. In addition, if other matters come before the annual meeting, the persons named in the accompanying form of proxy will vote in accordance with their best judgment with respect to such matters. Each holder of shares of Class A common stock is entitled to 25 votes for each share of Class A common stock held as of the record date, and each holder of shares of Class B common stock is entitled to 1 vote for each share of Class B common stock held as of the record date. The Class A common stock and Class B common stock will vote together as a single class on all matters described in these proxy materials for which your vote is being solicited.

The Company is paying all costs of the solicitation of proxies, including the expenses of printing and mailing to its stockholders the proxy, this proxy statement and the accompanying notice of annual meeting of stockholders. The Company will also reimburse brokerage houses and other custodians, nominees and fiduciaries for their expenses, in accordance with the regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), in sending proxies and proxy materials to the beneficial owners of the voting stock. Proxies may be solicited by the Company's officers, directors and regular employees, without compensation, personally or by telephone or facsimile.

#### **Required Vote**

A quorum is required for the transaction of business during the annual meeting. A quorum is present when a majority of stockholder votes are present in person or by proxy. Shares that are voted FOR, AGAINST or WITHHELD on a matter are treated as being present at the meeting for purposes of establishing a quorum and are also treated as votes cast by the Class A common stock and Class B common stock present in person or represented by proxy at the annual meeting and entitled to vote on the subject matter.

The candidates for election as directors at the annual meeting who receives the highest number of affirmative votes present or represented by proxy and entitled to vote at the annual meeting, will be elected. The ratification of the independent registered public accounting firm for the Company for the current year requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the shares of the Company s Class A common stock and Class B common stock present or represented by proxy and entitled to vote at the annual meeting.

#### **Revocability of Proxies**

A proxy given pursuant to this solicitation may be revoked at any time before its use by delivering a written revocation to the Secretary of the Company, delivering a duly executed proxy bearing a later date or attending and voting in person at the annual meeting. If you hold your shares through a broker or custodian, you will need to contact them to revoke your proxy.

#### Abstentions; Broker Non-Votes

The Company will count abstentions for purposes of determining both (i) the presence or absence of a quorum for the transaction of business and (ii) the total number of votes cast with respect to a proposal (other than the election of directors). A broker non-vote occurs when a broker or other nominee does not have discretion to vote shares with respect to a particular proposal and has not received instructions from the beneficial owner of the shares. Generally, brokers have discretion to vote shares on what are deemed to be routine matters. Broker non-votes will be counted for purposes of determining the presence or absence of a quorum for the transaction of business. Broker non-votes will not be counted for purposes of determining the number of votes cast with respect to a proposal.

For Proposal One (election of directors), which requires a plurality of the votes cast, abstentions and broker non-votes will have no effect on determining the number of votes cast nor on whether the director is elected. For Proposal Two (the ratification of the appointment of the independent registered public accounting firm), which requires the affirmative approval of a majority of the votes present or represented and entitled to vote, broker non-votes will have no effect on the number of votes cast nor on whether the appointment is ratified, but abstentions will have the same effect as a vote against Proposal Two because they will be counted as a vote cast with respect to the proposal but not counted as a vote for ratification.

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

To the Company s knowledge, the following table sets forth information regarding the beneficial ownership of our Class A common stock and Class B common stock as of April 1, 2009 by:

each person (or group of affiliated persons) who is known by us to own beneficially more than 5% of the outstanding shares of our Class A common stock or Class B common stock;

each of our directors and nominees for director;

each of our executive officers listed in the Summary Compensation Table ( NEOs ); and

#### all of our directors, nominees for director and executive officers as a group.

Percentage of beneficial ownership is based on 10,869,216 shares of our Class A common stock and 25,170,510 shares of our Class B common stock outstanding as of April 1, 2009. In computing the number of shares beneficially owned by a person and the percentage ownership of that person, shares of common stock subject to options held by that person that are currently exercisable or exercisable within 60 days of April 1, 2009, are deemed outstanding. These shares are not, however, deemed outstanding for the purposes of computing the percentage ownership of any other person. Except as otherwise noted below, the address for each beneficial owner listed below is c/o Marchex, Inc., 413 Pine Street, Suite 500, Seattle, Washington 98101.

|  | Shai                 | res Benefici | ially Owned          |       |                      |
|--|----------------------|--------------|----------------------|-------|----------------------|
|  | Class A Com<br>Stock | nmon         | Class B Cor<br>Stock |       | % Total<br>Voting    |
| Name and, as appropriate, address of Beneficial Owner                        | Shares               | %            | Shares               | %     | Power <sup>(1)</sup> |
| 5% Security Holders  |                      |              |                      |       |                      |
| Wells Fargo & Company <sup>(2)</sup>   |                      |              | 3,310,441            | 13.2% | 1.1%                 |
|  |                      |              |                      |       |                      |
| 420 Montgomery Street  |                      |              |                      |       |                      |
|  |                      |              |                      |       |                      |
| San Francisco, CA 94104  |                      |              |                      |       |                      |
| PAR Investment Partners, L.P. <sup>(3)</sup>                                 |                      |              | 1,806,182            | 7.2%  | *                    |
|  |                      |              |                      |       |                      |
| One International Place, Suite 2401  |                      |              |                      |       |                      |
|  |                      |              |                      |       |                      |
| Boston, MA 02110   |                      |              |                      |       |                      |
| Named Executive Officers and Directors                                       |                      |              |                      |       |                      |
| Russell C. Horowitz <sup>(4)</sup>   | 7,953,423            | 73.2%        | 1,514,333            | 6.0%  | 67.5%                |
| Michael Arends <sup>(5)</sup>  |                      |              | 769,750              | 3.1%  | *                    |
| Ethan Caldwell <sup>(6)</sup>  | 590,313              | 5.4%         | 300,000              | 1.2%  | 5.1%                 |
| Peter Christothoulou <sup>(7)</sup>  | 325,313              | 3.0%         | 225,000              | *     | 2.8%                 |
| John Keister <sup>(8)</sup>  | 2,000,167            | 18.4%        | 621,858              | 2.5%  | 17.1%                |
| Dennis Cline <sup>(9)</sup>  |                      |              | 129,900              | *     | *                    |
| Anne Devereux <sup>(10)</sup>  |                      |              | 32,900               | *     | *                    |
| Jonathan Fram <sup>(11)</sup>  |                      |              | 55,546               | *     | *                    |
| Nicolas Hanauer <sup>(12)</sup>  |                      |              | 2,309,450            | 9.2%  | *                    |
| M. Wayne Wisehart <sup>(13)</sup>  |                      |              | 30,200               | *     | *                    |
| All directors and executive officers as a group (10 persons) <sup>(14)</sup> | 10,869,216           | 100%         | 5,988,937            | 23.8% | 92.6%                |

Except as indicated in the footnotes below and except as subject to community property laws where applicable, the persons named in the table above have sole voting and investment power with respect to all shares of common stock shown as beneficially owned by them.

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\* Beneficial ownership or total voting power, as the case may be, representing less than one percent.

(1) Percentage of voting power represents voting power with respect to shares of our Class A common stock and Class B common stock, as a single class. Each holder of Class A common stock shall be entitled to 25 votes per share of Class A common stock and each holder of Class B common stock shall be entitled to 1 vote per share of Class B common stock on all matters submitted to a vote of stockholders, except as may

otherwise be required by law. The Class A common stock is convertible at any time by the holder into shares of Class B common stock on a share-for-share basis.

- (2) Based on the most recently available Schedule 13G/A filed with the SEC on January 19, 2009 by Wells Fargo & Company (Wells Fargo), a parent holding company/control person with an address at 420 Montgomery Street, San Francisco, CA 94104, on its behalf and on behalf of the following wholly-owned Wells Fargo subsidiaries: Wells Capital Management Incorporated, an investment advisor; Wells Fargo Funds Management, LLC, an investment advisor; Wells Fargo Investments, LLC, a broker dealer; and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, a bank. Pursuant to such Schedule 13G/A, Wells Fargo is the beneficial owner of 3,310,441 shares of our Class B common stock, has sole voting power as to 2,393,431 shares of our Class B common stock, sole dispositive power as to 3,309,672 shares of our Class B common stock and shared dispositive power with respect to 769 shares of our Class B common stock.
- (3) Based on the most recently available Schedule 13G/A filed jointly with the SEC on February 17, 2009 by PAR Investment Partners L.P., a Delaware partnership, PAR Group, L.P., a Delaware partnership and PAR Capital Management, Inc., a Delaware corporation (collectively PAR), each with an address at One International Place, Suite 2401, Boston, MA 02110. Pursuant to such Schedule 13G/A, PAR is the beneficial owner of 1,806,182 shares of our Class B common stock, has sole voting power as to 1,806,182 shares of our Class B common stock.
- (4) Includes: (1) 7,953,423 shares of our Class A common stock held by MARRCH Investments, LLC; (2) 620,000 shares of our Class B common stock held by MARRCH Investments, LLC; (3) 600,000 shares of restricted stock subject to vesting; and (4) 83,333 shares of our Class B common stock held by Pemrose, LLC. Mr. Horowitz is the managing member of these entities and, as such, may be deemed to exercise voting and investment power over the shares held by all of these entities. It also includes 5,000 shares of our Class B common stock held in an Individual Retirement Account for the benefit of Mr. Horowitz.
- (5) Includes: (1) 456,250 shares of our Class B common stock subject to options that are currently exercisable or exercisable within 60 days of April 1, 2009; (2) 225,000 shares of restricted stock subject to vesting; (3) 10,500 shares of our Class B common stock held by the Nicole Marie Arends 2003 Trust for the benefit of Nicole Marie Arends, the daughter of Mr. Arends, for which shares Mr. Arends disclaims beneficial ownership; (4) 15,000 shares of Class B common stock held in an Individual Retirement Account for the benefit of Mr. Arends; and (5) 6,500 shares of Class B common stock held in an Individual Retirement Account for the benefit of Diana Arends, Mr. Arends wife.
- <sup>(6)</sup> Includes 225,000 shares of restricted stock subject to vesting.
- <sup>(7)</sup> Includes 225,000 shares of restricted stock subject to vesting.
- <sup>(8)</sup> Includes: (1) 300,000 shares of restricted stock subject to vesting; (2) 6,160 shares of our Class B common stock held in an Individual Retirement Account for the benefit of Mr. Keister; and (3) 50,129 shares of our Class B common stock held in a Grantor Retained Annuity Trust, of which Mr. Keister is the grantor.
- <sup>(9)</sup> Includes: (1) 5,900 shares of restricted stock subject to vesting; (2) 77,000 shares of our Class B common stock held by DMC Investments, LLC, a limited liability company of which Mr. Cline is the managing member; (3) 35,000 shares of Class B common stock subject to options that are currently exercisable or exercisable within 60 days of April 1, 2009; and (4) 10,000 shares in the aggregate of our Class B common stock held by four different trusts for the benefit of his children, for which shares Mr. Cline disclaims beneficial ownership.
- <sup>(10)</sup> Includes (1) 5,900 shares of restricted stock subject to vesting; and (2) 25,000 shares of Class B common stock subject to options that are currently exercisable or exercisable within 60 days of April 1, 2009.
- (11) Includes: (1) 6,350 shares of restricted stock subject to vesting; (2) 5,596 shares of our Class B common stock held by the Jonathan and Leslie Fram Trust for the benefit of Mr. Fram and Leslie Fram, Stanford Fram, Timothy Fram and Sarah Fram, Mr. Fram s wife and children; and (3) 33,600 shares of Class B common stock subject to options that are currently exercisable or exercisable within 60 days of April 1, 2009.
- <sup>(12)</sup> Includes: (1) 5,450 shares of restricted stock subject to vesting, and (2) 112,500 shares of Class B common stock subject to options that are currently exercisable or exercisable within 60 days of April 1, 2009.
- <sup>(13)</sup> Includes 3,700 shares of restricted stock subject to vesting.
- (14) Includes an aggregate of: (1) 10,869,216 shares of our Class A common stock; (2) 5,988,937 shares of our Class B common stock (including 20,500 shares for which beneficial ownership has been disclaimed); and (3) 662,350 shares of our Class B common stock subject to options that are currently exercisable or exercisable within 60 days of April 1, 2009.

#### PROPOSAL ONE ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

#### (Item 1 on Proxy Card)

The Board of Directors currently consists of seven (7) individuals, all of whom have been nominated for election at the annual meeting. Directors are to be elected to hold office until the next Annual Meeting of Stockholders and until their respective successors have been elected and qualified. The names and the respective ages of the seven (7) nominees as of April 1, 2009 are set forth below:

| Name                              | Age | Position(s)                               | Director Since |
|-----------------------------------|-----|---|----------------|
| Russell C. Horowitz               | 42  | Chairman of the Board of Directors, Chief | January 2003   |
|                                   |     | Executive Officer and Treasurer           |                |
| John Keister                      | 42  | President and Director                    | January 2003   |
| Dennis Cline <sup>(1)(2)(3)</sup> | 48  | Director                                  | May 2003       |
| Anne Devereux <sup>(2)</sup>      | 47  | Director                                  | October 2006   |
| Jonathan Fram <sup>(1)(3)</sup>   | 52  | Director                                  | May 2003       |
| Nicolas Hanauer <sup>(2)(3)</sup> | 49  | Director and Vice Chairman                | October 2007   |
| M. Wayne Wisehart <sup>(1)</sup>  | 63  | Director                                  | November 2008  |

<sup>(1)</sup> Member of the Audit Committee.

- <sup>(2)</sup> Member of the Nominating and Governance Committee.
- <sup>(3)</sup> Member of the Compensation Committee.

*Russell C. Horowitz*. Mr. Horowitz is a founding executive officer and has served as the Chairman of our Board of Directors, Chief Executive Officer and Treasurer since our inception in January 2003. Mr. Horowitz was previously a founder of Go2Net, a provider of online services to merchants and consumers, including online payment authorization technology, Web search and directory services and merchant Web hosting, and served as its Chairman and Chief Executive Officer from its inception in February 1996 until its merger into InfoSpace, a provider of online services focused on Web search, online payment solutions for merchants, mobile infrastructure applications and content for wireless carriers, in October 2000, at which time Mr. Horowitz served as the Vice Chairman and President of the combined company through the merger integration process until January 2001. Additionally, Mr. Horowitz served as the Chief Financial Officer of Go2Net from its inception until May 2000. Prior to Go2Net, Mr. Horowitz served as the Chief Executive Officer and a director of Xanthus Management, LLC, the general partner of Xanthus Capital, a merchant bank focused on investments in early-stage companies, and was a founder and Chief Financial Officer of Active Apparel Group, now Everlast Worldwide. Mr. Horowitz received a B.A. in Economics from Columbia College of Columbia University.

*John Keister*. Mr. Keister is a founding executive officer and has served as a member of our Board of Directors since our inception in January 2003, as our Chief Operating Officer since our inception in January 2003 through February 2009 and as our President since December 2003. Mr. Keister was previously a founder of Go2Net and served as its President from 1999 until its merger into InfoSpace in October 2000, at which time he served as Executive Vice President of the Consumer Division of the combined company through the merger integration process until January 2001. He also served as a member of the Board of Directors of Go2Net and as its Chief Operating Officer from 1996 to 1999. Mr. Keister received B.A. degrees in Philosophy and in Diplomacy & World Affairs from Occidental College.

*Dennis Cline*. Mr. Cline has served as a member of our Board of Directors since May 2003. Mr. Cline is currently the Executive Chairman of the Board of Directors of netForensics, Inc., a provider of security information management solutions. Mr. Cline previously served as Chief Executive Officer of netForensics. Prior to joining netForensics as its Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Cline was Managing Partner of DMC Investments, a firm he founded in 2000, which provides capital and consulting services to technology companies. From 1998 to 2000, Mr. Cline was the Chief Executive Officer of DirectWeb, a provider of a bundled solution of computer hardware and Internet access for consumers. Prior to DirectWeb, Mr. Cline was a senior executive at Network Associates, a provider of computer security solutions. Mr. Cline received his J.D. from Rutgers School of Law and his B.A. from Rutgers University.

Anne Devereux. Ms. Devereux has served as a member of our Board of Directors since October 2006. Ms. Devereux has more than 20 years of experience in marketing and advertising. Ms. Devereux currently serves as Chairman and CEO of TBWA\WorldHealth and also Chairman and CEO of LyonHeart, both of which are divisions of Omnicom Group Inc. (NYSE: OMC). TBWA\WorldHealth is one of the largest global marketing services networks dedicated to healthcare and lifestyle brands and LyonHeart is a leading healthcare communications agency. Prior to these roles, Ms. Devereux was the Chief Integration Officer as well as Managing Director of all health-related assignments within BBDO New York, an advertising agency. Before joining BBDO New York, Ms. Devereux was President and Founder of Consumer Healthworks, an advertising agency and one of the first agencies to specialize in direct-to-consumer advertising for healthcare brands. Ms. Devereux received a B.A. degree from Wellesley College.

*Jonathan Fram*. Mr. Fram has served as a member of our Board of Directors since May 2003. Mr. Fram currently serves as a Managing Partner of Maveron LLC, a venture capital firm. Prior to Maveron, Mr. Fram was an Entrepreneur in Residence for Doll Capital Management from June 2005 through March 2006. From May 2002 through December 2003, Mr. Fram was the Chief Executive Officer for Envivio, a privately-held company and a provider of MPEG-4 broadcast and streaming video systems. From October 2001 to May 2002, Mr. Fram was the Acting Chief Executive Officer of Envivio while he was a consultant to France Telecom, Envivio s majority shareholder at that time. From August 2000 to July 2001, Mr. Fram was the President and Chief Executive Officer of eVoice, an online voicemail and unified messaging provider, until its sale to America Online in July 2001. Prior to eVoice from July 1999 to August 2000, Mr. Fram was the President of Net2Phone, a provider of voice services over IP networks, until AT&T acquired a controlling interest in the company. Prior to Net2Phone, from 1991 to 1999, Mr. Fram was a General Manager at Bloomberg, responsible for the Television, Internet and Radio divisions. Mr. Fram received a B.S. degree in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science from Princeton University.

*Nicolas Hanauer*. Mr. Hanauer has served as Vice Chairman of our Board of Directors since October 2007. Mr. Hanauer is currently a partner at Second Avenue Partners, a Seattle-based venture capital firm he co-founded in 2000. Mr. Hanauer founded aQuantive, Inc. (formerly Avenue A Media, Inc.), a leading global digital marketing company, in 1996 and served as its Chief Executive Officer from June 1998 to September 1999 and Chairman of the Board from June 1998 until its acquisition by Microsoft in July 2007. In 1998, Mr. Hanauer co-founded Gear.com, which was later purchased by Overstock.com. In 1995, Mr. Hanauer became a founding investor in Amazon.com and served as a board advisor until 2000. Mr. Hanauer began his professional career at the Pacific Coast Feather Company in Seattle where he held a number of executive positions, including Chief Executive Officer and co-chairman. Mr. Hanauer received a B.A. degree in Philosophy from the University of Washington.

*M. Wayne Wisehart*. Mr. Wisehart has served as a member of our Board of Directors since November 2008. Mr. Wisehart has more than thirty years of experience in finance and operation, with more than fifteen years in the telecommunications industry. Mr. Wisehart most recently served as the Chief Financial Officer of aQuantive, Inc. (formerly Avenue A Media, Inc.), a leading global digital marketing company, which was acquired by Microsoft in July 2007. Prior to aQuantive, Mr. Wisehart served as Chief Financial Officer of Western Wireless Corporation, a cellular phone service provider, which was acquired by Alltel in August 2005. Mr. Wisehart also served as the Chief Financial Officer from 2000 to 2002 of iNNERHOST, Inc., a Web hosting service s company, as President and Chief Executive Officer from 1999 to 2000 of TeleDirect International Inc., a company that provide customer interaction systems, and as the President and Chief Executive Officer from 1997 to 1998 of Price Communications Wireless. Mr. Wisehart also serves on the Board of Directors of Earthlink, Inc. Mr. Wisehart received a B.S. degree in Business from the University of Missouri-St. Louis.

# THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR THE ELECTION OF THE NOMINEES LISTED ABOVE TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

#### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

#### **Board Independence**

The Board of Directors determined that, other than Messrs. Horowitz and Keister, each of the members of the board is an independent director in accordance with NASDAQ standards.

#### **Committees and Meeting Attendance**

The Board of Directors has an Audit Committee, a Compensation Committee and a Nominating and Governance Committee. Each of these committees operates under a written charter adopted by the board. Copies of these charters are available on our website at *www.marchex.com*. The Board of Directors held six meetings and took action by written consent on eight occasions during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008. Each of the standing committees of the board held the number of meetings indicated below. During the last fiscal year (except in the case of Mr. Wisehart only for the period he was a director during 2008), each of our directors attended at least 75% of the total number of meetings of the board and all of the committees of the board on which such director served held during that period. Directors are encouraged to attend our annual meetings of stockholders. All of our directors, who then comprised the Board of Directors, attended last year s annual meeting.

The following table sets forth the three standing committees of the board, the members of each committee, the number of meetings held by each committee and committee action taken by written consent during the 2008 fiscal period:

| Name of Director          | Audit <sup>(1)</sup> | Compensation | Nominating and<br>Governance |
|---------------------------|----------------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| Dennis Cline              | Member               | Member       | Member                       |
| Anne Devereux             |                      |              | Chair                        |
| Jonathan Fram             | Member               | Member       |                              |
| Nicolas Hanauer           |                      | Chair        | Member                       |
| M. Wayne Wisehart         | Chair                |              |                              |
| Number of Meetings        | 8                    | 4            | 4                            |
| Action by Written Consent | 0                    | 2            | 1                            |

(1) From January 1, 2008 through November 16, 2008, the members of the Audit Committee were Messrs. Cline and Fram (Chair) and Ms. Devereux. Effective November 17, 2008, in connection with Mr. Wisehart s appointment to the Board of Directors and appointment as Chairman of the Audit Committee, the continuing members of the Audit Committee are Messrs. Cline and Fram.

#### Audit Committee

The Audit Committee is currently comprised of Messrs. Cline, Fram and Wisehart (Chair). Each of the members of the Audit Committee is independent for purposes of the NASDAQ listing standards as they apply to Audit Committee members. Messrs. Cline, Fram and Wisehart are Audit Committee financial experts, as defined in the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Audit Committee operates under a charter that is available on our website at *www.marchex.com*. The functions of the Audit Committee include reviewing, with the Company s independent accountants, the scope and timing of the independent accountants services, the independent accountants report on the Company s consolidated financial statements following completion of the Company s audits, and the Company s internal accounting and financial control policies and procedures, and making annual recommendations to the Board of Directors for the appointment of independent accountants for the ensuing year. The Audit Committee held eight meetings during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008. Additional information regarding the Audit Committee is set forth in the Report of the Audit Committee immediately following Proposal Two.

#### **Compensation Committee**

The Compensation Committee is currently comprised of Messrs. Cline, Fram and Hanauer (Chair). Each of the members of the Compensation Committee is independent for purposes of the NASDAQ listing standards. The Compensation Committee operates under a charter that is available on our website at *www.marchex.com*. The Compensation Committee held four meetings and took action by written consent on two occasions during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008.

The purpose of the Compensation Committee is to assist the Board of Directors in carrying out its responsibilities with respect to: (i) overseeing the Company s compensation policies and practices; (ii) reviewing and approving annual compensation and compensation procedures for the Company s executive officers; and (iii) overseeing and recommending director compensation to the Board of Directors. More specifically, the Compensation Committee s responsibilities include: overseeing the Company s general compensation structure, policies and programs, and assessing whether the Company s compensation structure establishes appropriate incentives for management and employees; making recommendations to the Board of Directors with respect to, and administering, the Company s incentive compensation and equity-based compensation plans, including the Company s stock option plan and employee stock purchase plan; reviewing and approving compensation procedures for the Company s executive officers; recommending to the independent directors for approval the compensation of the Chief Executive Officer based on relevant corporate goals and objectives and the Board of Directors performance evaluation of the Chief Executive Officer; and reviewing and recommending to the Board of Directors for approval the compensation of executive officers other than the Chief Executive Officer; reviewing and recommending to the Board of Directors employment, retention, restricted stock and severance agreements for executive officers, including change of control provisions, plans or agreements; reviewing the compensation of directors for service on the Board of Directors and its committees. Regarding most compensation matters, including executive and director compensation, the Company s management provides recommendations to the Compensation Committee. The Compensation Committee has delegated its authority to grant equity and other awards under the Company s stock incentive plan to eligible employees who are not executive officers to the Stock Option Grant Subcommittee within certain pre-approved limits. The Stock Option Grant Subcommittee consists of two of the Company s directors, Messrs. Horowitz and Keister, and such committee regularly reports any grants made to the Compensation Committee.

#### Nominating and Governance Committee

The Nominating and Governance Committee is currently comprised of Messrs. Cline and Hanauer and Ms. Devereux (Chair). Each of the members of the Nominating and Governance Committee is independent for purposes of the NASDAQ listing standards. The Nominating and Governance Committee identifies individuals qualified to become board members, recommends to the board those persons to be nominated for election to our board at the annual meeting of stockholders, develops and recommends to the board a set of corporate governance principles applicable to the Company and oversees the annual evaluation of the board. The Nominating and Governance Committee held four meetings and took action by written consent on one occasion during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008.

#### Nomination of Directors

The Nominating and Governance Committee may use third party executive search firms to help identify prospective director nominees. In evaluating the suitability of each candidate, the Nominating and Governance Committee will consider issues of character, judgment, independence, age, expertise, diversity of experience, length of service, other commitments and the like. While there are no specific minimum qualifications for director nominees, the ideal candidate should exhibit (i) independence, (ii) integrity, (iii) qualifications that will increase overall board effectiveness, and (iv) an ability to meet other requirements as may be required by applicable rules, such as financial literacy or expertise for Audit Committee members. The Nominating and Governance Committee uses the same process for evaluating all nominees, regardless of the original source of the nomination.

Our evaluations of potential directors include, among other things, an assessment of a candidate s background and credentials, personal interviews, and discussions with appropriate references. Once we have selected appropriate candidates, we present them to the full Board for election if a vacancy occurs or is created by an increase in the size of the board during the course of the year, or for nomination if the director is to be first elected by stockholders.

Marchex stockholders may recommend individuals to the Nominating and Governance Committee for consideration as potential director candidates by submitting their names and appropriate supporting background and biographical information to: Marchex, Inc., 413 Pine Street, Suite 500, Seattle, Washington 98101, Attention: General Counsel. The recommendation must include any relevant information, including the candidate s name, home and business contact information, detailed biographical data and qualifications, and information regarding any relationships between the candidate and the Company within the last three years. Acceptance of a recommendation does not mean that the committee will ultimately nominate the recommended candidate.

Mr. Wisehart, who was appointed to the Board of Directors during 2008, was recommended to the Nominating and Governance Committee by Mr. Horowitz.

#### **Code of Conduct and Code of Ethics**

The Company has adopted a code of conduct applicable to each of the Company s officers, directors and employees, and a code of ethics applicable to the Company s Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer and the Company s senior financial officers, as contemplated by Section 406 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and both codes are available on our website at *www.marchex.com*.

#### **Corporate Governance Guidelines**

The Board of Directors has adopted corporate governance guidelines to ensure effective corporate governance which are available on our website at *www.marchex.com*.

#### Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors

As Vice Chairman of our Board of Directors, Mr. Hanauer s responsibilities include:

Coordinating and moderating executive sessions of the Board of Directors independent directors.

Advising the Chairman of the Board of Directors as to the quality, quantity and timeliness of the flow of information from management that is necessary for the independent directors to effectively and responsibly perform their duties.

Acting as the principal liaison between the independent directors and the Chairman of the Board of Directors on sensitive issues.

Performing such other duties as the Board of Directors may from time to time delegate to the Vice Chairman to assist the Board of Directors in the fulfillment of its responsibilities.

#### **Board Effectiveness**

The Board of Directors performs an annual self-assessment to evaluate its effectiveness in fulfilling its obligations.

#### **Executive Session**

The corporate governance guidelines provide that the Company s independent directors shall meet regularly (not less than two times per year) in executive session at which only the Company s independent directors shall be present. The independent directors met in executive session three times during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008.

#### **Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation**

None of Messrs. Cline, Fram or Hanauer, the members of the Compensation Committee during 2008, are or have been an officer or employee of the Company. No member of the Compensation Committee had any relationship with the Company requiring disclosure under Item 404 of Regulation S-K. During fiscal 2008, none of the Company s executive officers served on the Compensation Committee (or its equivalent) or Board of Directors of another entity any of whose executive officers served on the Company s Compensation Committee or Board of Directors.

#### **Communications with Directors**

The Board of Directors provides a process for Marchex stockholders to send communications to the Board of Directors. Any stockholder who desires to contact the Board of Directors may do so by writing to: Marchex, Inc., 413 Pine Street, Suite 500, Seattle, Washington 98101, Attention: Ethan Caldwell, Secretary. Communications received by mail will be screened by the Secretary for appropriateness before either forwarding to or notifying the members of the Board of Directors of receipt of a communication.

#### PROPOSAL TWO RATIFICATION OF APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

#### (Item 2 on Proxy Card)

The Board of Directors has reappointed the firm of KPMG, an independent registered public accounting firm, as independent accountants of Marchex for the current fiscal year. Stockholder ratification of the selection of KPMG as Marchex s independent accountants is not required by Marchex s bylaws, Delaware corporate law or otherwise. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board of Directors has elected to seek such ratification as a matter of good corporate practice. Should the stockholders fail to ratify the selection of KPMG as independent accountants, the Board of Directors will consider whether to retain that firm for the year ending December 31, 2009 and will consider the appointment of other certified public accountants. KPMG was the auditor for the year ended December 31, 2008. Representatives of KPMG are expected to be present at the annual meeting, will have an opportunity to make a statement if they desire to do so and are expected to be available to respond to appropriate questions from stockholders present at the meeting.

# THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR RATIFICATION OF THE APPOINTMENT OF KPMG LLP.

The Board of Directors has reappointed KPMG as auditors for the year ending December 31, 2009. In addition to audit services, KPMG also provided certain non-audit services to Marchex in 2008. The terms of Marchex s engagement with KPMG provide for alternative dispute resolution procedures, exclude the award of punitive damages and contain certain other limitations.

#### **Accounting Fees and Services**

During fiscal years 2007 and 2008, we retained KPMG to provide professional services in the following categories and amounts:

| Fee Category       | 2007       | 2008       |
|--------------------|------------|------------|
| Audit Fees         | \$ 786,000 | \$ 802,000 |
| Audit-Related Fees | \$ 2,000   | \$ 32,000  |
| Tax Fees           | \$ 56,000  | \$ 65,000  |
| All Other Fees     | \$ None    | \$ None    |
|                    |            |            |
| Total All Fees     | \$ 844,000 | \$ 899,000 |

*Audit-related fees* consist of fees for assurance and related services that are reasonably related to the performance of the audit or review of the Company s financial statements. This category includes fees for accounting consultation matters and consultations in connection with acquisitions.

Tax fees consist of fees for professional services for tax return preparation and consultation on matters related to acquisitions and tax credits.

The Audit Committee has considered whether the provision of non-audit services is compatible with maintaining the independence of KPMG and has concluded that it is.

The Audit Committee pre-approved 100% of the 2007 and the 2008 KPMG fees above pursuant to the pre-approval policy described below.

#### Policy on Pre-Approval by Audit Committee of Services Performed by Independent Accountants

The policy of the Audit Committee is to pre-approve all audit and permissible non-audit services to be performed by the independent accountants during the fiscal year. The Audit Committee pre-approves services by authorizing specific projects within the categories outlined above, subject to the budget for each category. The Audit Committee s charter delegates to its chairman the authority to address any requests for pre-approval of services between Audit Committee meetings, and the chairman must report any pre-approval decisions to the Audit Committee at its next scheduled meeting.

The following Report of the Audit Committee and related disclosure shall not be deemed incorporated by reference by any general statement incorporating this proxy statement into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 (the Securities Act ) or under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act ), except to the extent that the Company specifically incorporates this information by reference, and shall not otherwise be deemed filed under such Acts.

#### **REPORT OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The Audit Committee is comprised of Messrs. Cline, Fram and Wisehart (Chair). The role of the Audit Committee is to assist the Board of Directors in its oversight of Marchex s financial reporting process. The Audit Committee performs the duties set forth in its current charter which is available on the Company s website at *www.marchex.com*.

As noted in the Audit Committee s charter, Marchex s management is responsible for preparing the Company s financial statements. The Company s independent accountants are responsible for auditing the financial statements. The activities of the Audit Committee are in no way designed to supercede or alter those traditional responsibilities. The Audit Committee s role does not provide any special assurances with regard to Marchex s financial statements, nor does it involve a professional evaluation of the quality of the audits performed by the independent accountants.

Each member of the Audit Committee meets the independence criteria prescribed by applicable law and the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) for Audit Committee membership and is an independent director within the meaning of the NASDAQ listing standards. In addition, the Board of Directors has determined that each of Messrs. Cline, Fram and Wisehart qualifies as an Audit Committee financial expert, as defined by SEC rules.

The Audit Committee has reviewed and discussed with Marchex s independent accountants, KPMG, matters required to be discussed pursuant to Statement on Auditing Standards No. 61 (Communications with Audit Committees), as amended. We have received from KPMG a formal written statement consistent with the applicable requirements of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board regarding the independent auditor s communications with the audit committee concerning independence. We have discussed with KPMG matters relating to its independence, including a review of both audit and non-audit fees, and considered the compatibility of non-audit services with the accountants independence.

The Audit Committee has reviewed and discussed with management and KPMG the audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008. The Audit Committee met with KPMG, with and without management present, to discuss results of its examinations, its evaluation of Marchex s internal controls, and the overall quality of Marchex s financial reporting.

Based on the reports, discussions and reviews referred to above, in reliance on management and the independent accountants and subject to the limitations on our role and responsibilities in our charter, the Audit Committee recommended to the Board of Directors that the audited financial statements be included in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008, for filing with the SEC.

Following a review of the independent accountant s performance and qualifications, including consideration of management s recommendation, the Audit Committee approved the reappointment of KPMG as Marchex s independent accountants for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

#### THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

Dennis Cline

Jonathan Fram

M. Wayne Wisehart, Chair

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RELATING TO OUR DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

#### **Executive Officers**

Our executive officers, and their respective ages, as of April 1, 2009, are as follows:

| Name                 | Age | Position(s)   |
|----------------------|-----|---|
| Russell C. Horowitz  | 42  | Chief Executive Officer and Treasurer                       |
| Michael Arends       | 38  | Chief Financial Officer                                     |
| Ethan Caldwell       | 40  | Chief Administrative Officer, General Counsel and Secretary |
| Peter Christothoulou | 37  | Chief Operating Officer                                     |
| John Keister         | 42  | President   |

Biographical information for our executive officers who also serve as directors is set forth above (See Proposal One Election of Directors ). Biographical information for all other executive officers is set forth below.

*Michael Arends*. Mr. Arends has served as our Chief Financial Officer since May 2003. Prior to joining Marchex, Mr. Arends held various positions at KPMG since 1995, most recently as a Partner in KPMG s Pacific Northwest Information, Communications and Entertainment assurance practice. Mr. Arends is a Certified Public Accountant and a Chartered Accountant and received a Bachelor of Commerce from the University of Alberta.

*Ethan Caldwell*. Mr. Caldwell is a founding executive officer and has served as our Chief Administrative Officer, General Counsel and Secretary since our inception in January 2003. Mr. Caldwell was previously Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary of Go2Net, from November 1996, until its merger with InfoSpace in October 2000. Mr. Caldwell assisted in the integration of Go2Net with InfoSpace through December 2000. Mr. Caldwell received his J.D. from the University of Maryland and his B.A. in Political Science from Occidental College.

*Peter Christothoulou*. Mr. Christothoulou is a founding executive officer and has served as our Chief Operating Officer since March 2009 and prior to that as our Chief Strategy Officer since our inception in January 2003. Mr. Christothoulou was previously the Senior Vice President of Strategic Initiatives for Go2Net, focused on strategic acquisitions and investments, from January 2000 until its merger with InfoSpace in October 2000, at which time he served as the Senior Vice President of Corporate Strategy and Development of the combined company through the merger integration process until January 2001. Prior to Go2Net, Mr. Christothoulou was a Vice President in the Investment Banking Group of U.S. Bancorp Piper Jaffray, focused primarily on merger and acquisition advisory services for technology companies, and was with the investment banking firm from 1996 until January 2000.

#### **Compensation Discussion and Analysis**

#### Overview

Our named executive officers , or NEOs , are:

Russell C. Horowitz, our chairman and chief executive officer;

Michael Arends, our chief financial officer;

Ethan Caldwell, our chief administrative officer, general counsel and secretary;

Peter Christothoulou, our chief operating officer;

John Keister, our president;

William Day, our former chief media officer, who left the Company during 2008; and

Cameron Ferroni, our former chief technology officer, who left the Company during 2008. You can find detailed information regarding the compensation we paid to our NEOs in the tables that begin on page 19. Our executive compensation programs are intended to serve two related goals:

**Long-Term Retention of our Strong Management Team**. We believe that our continued success depends on our ability to retain our experienced, complementary and dedicated management team. Although we always consider the ultimate interest of our stockholders in setting NEO compensation, we also must acknowledge that our executives face many career options and we therefore must provide strong incentives for them to continue to participate in our growth.

Long-Term Growth in Stockholder Value. We believe that management compensation packages should reflect as much as possible the risk and opportunity experienced by our stockholders. As a result, we strongly emphasize performance-based compensation arrangements which reward NEOs for contributions to our long-term growth and overall corporate success.
We believe that this long-term focus will appropriately reward our management team for performance that will most benefit our Company and stockholders. We think that a focus on shorter-term results could inappropriately over-or under-compensate our executives due to short-term fluctuations that do not as accurately reflect our corporate growth and the corresponding benefit to our stockholders.

Our long-term emphasis results in NEO compensation packages that are weighted significantly towards long-term equity grants, with a relatively low proportion of NEO compensation derived from cash salaries. Cash bonuses to our NEOs are paid only under our annual incentive plan, which ties such bonus payments directly to our annual corporate performance.

The Compensation Committee is responsible for setting the compensation and benefits for Mr. Horowitz and our other executive officers, to determine distributions and grants of awards under our various stock and other incentive plans and to assume responsibility for all matters related to the foregoing. Meetings of the Compensation Committee are called by the chair of the committee and the chair sets the agenda for each committee meeting. In performing its responsibilities, the Compensation Committee typically invites, for all or a portion of each meeting, Mr. Horowitz and other members of management to its meetings. Mr. Horowitz meets with the Compensation Committee on an ongoing basis to

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discuss the objectives and performance of Marchex s NEOs. For compensation decisions relating to our executive officers, the Compensation Committee considers recommendations from Mr. Horowitz, Mr. Arends, Mr. Caldwell and our Vice President of People Services, who utilizes various industry compensation surveys as part of our company wide annual compensation review process. After receipt and discussion of such recommendations with Mr. Horowitz, the Compensation Committee meets without Mr. Horowitz to ultimately determine the compensation packages for each of our executive officers. Mr. Horowitz does not participate in deliberations regarding his own compensation.

#### NEO Compensation for 2008

During 2006, our Compensation Committee conducted a comprehensive review of our executive compensation packages, including salary, salary history, the number and value of shares owned by our executives, prior equity grants and vesting and exercise history. The Compensation Committee also considered data regarding compensation paid at public media, internet and technology-based companies of comparable size to our Company and which could compete for the services of our NEOs. Although the compensation practices of our competitors instructed our review, we used that data only to gain perspective and did not benchmark our compensation consultant. This review informed and directed the compensation decisions described in greater detail below. In September 2008, the Compensation Committee engaged Mercer (US) Inc. (Mercer ), an outside global consulting firm, to conduct a review of the Company s total compensation for executive officers. Due to the deterioration in global economic conditions in the fall of 2008 and its impact on equity and credit markets and the trading levels of our stock, the Compensation Committee elected to make no changes with respect to our executive compensation for 2008, postponed the completion of the Mercer review, and has not yet determined whether it will make any changes with respect to our executive compensation during 2009.

#### **Base Salary**

The 2008 salaries shown in the Summary Compensation Table on page 19 were set by our Compensation Committee effective January 1, 2007 based on existing agreements with the NEOs and the compensation review discussed above, as well as a consideration of each NEO s total compensation package including prior equity grants, exercise history, and existing stock ownership. The Compensation Committee particularly considered our desire at such time to maintain cash remuneration as a relatively small portion of overall compensation. In addition, the Compensation Committee considered each NEO s skills, experience, level of responsibility, performance and contribution to our Company. The Compensation Committee also took into account Mr. Horowitz s preference to continue his salary at its historical \$50,000 level. The Compensation Committee also took into account the following individual considerations: (1) the oversight role Mr. Arends played in the various asset and business acquisition integrations, particularly relating to the integration of financial processes and controls; (2) Mr. Caldwell s role in managing various Company administrative departments, facilitating the Company s contract processes (including the addition of numerous advertisers and important distribution partners), protecting the Company s intellectual property (including managing the Company s patent and trademark applications) and working with others to protect and develop the Company s significant intangible assets; (3) the central role performed by Mr. Christothoulou in developing strategies around the Company s consumer and traffic initiatives; (4) the role Mr. Ferroni played with respect to overseeing teams developing scalable and reliable technical platforms; and (5) the role Mr. Keister played in enhancing the Company s local aggregator platform and business processes and his lead role in the Company s operational initiatives. All salaries are reviewed at least annually and subject to future adjustment by the Compensation Committee.

#### **Equity Compensation**

All of our employees and directors are eligible to receive options and/or shares of restricted stock under our Amended and Restated 2003 Stock Incentive Plan. We historically granted primarily options; however, we have more recently included an increasing number of restricted stock grants because we believe that such grants better serve our goal of long-term shareholder growth by providing our management team with a more appropriate financial reward and performance risk. During 2007 we awarded NEOs restricted shares of our Class B common stock, based on the compensation review discussed above. The Compensation Committee determined the size of each NEO s grant based on a consideration of his existing stock ownership and outstanding equity grants awarded in prior years. In the case of Mr. Horowitz, the Compensation Committee also considered his and our desire to place greater emphasis on his equity compensation as compared to his cash compensation, his \$50,000 salary level and his strategic importance to the Company. You can find more information regarding these grants, including their vesting schedules, by referring to our Outstanding Equity Awards Table on page 21. Given their long vesting schedule, we believe that these grants will be particularly effective at further motivating our

management team to continue to focus on the long-term success of our business enterprise. All outstanding awards will vest in full immediately upon a change of control of the Company. For more information on this acceleration provision, please refer to pages 22-24.

The Compensation Committee does not automatically grant equity to NEOs every year; it analyzes existing NEO equity holdings and prior equity awards, and uses that data to determine whether additional grants are appropriate and necessary to recalibrate the cash-equity balance of NEO compensation packages. The Compensation Committee did not grant any equity to NEOs during 2008.

Most equity awards for employees are tied to their annual performance reviews and are generally granted following the release of our third-quarter financial results. We may occasionally make employee grants outside of that review process; such awards typically are granted as of the date the grant is approved. Our restricted stock grants to NEOs were granted effective January 1, 2007, to coincide with the commencement of the new fiscal year. All new-hire awards have a grant date set to correspond to the date of hire. All options have an exercise price set at the closing market price of our Class B common stock on the grant date.

#### **Annual Incentive Plan**

The Compensation Committee adopted our annual incentive plan in 2006 (the Incentive Plan) to motivate and reward key employees for enabling our Company to achieve specified corporate objectives, to increase the competitiveness of our management compensation packages without increasing our fixed costs, and to align management compensation with key measures of our financial performance.

The Compensation Committee determined that for 2008 a maximum of \$1,000,000 would be available for award, in the aggregate, to all plan participants. This amount was based upon the Compensation Committee s determination of a reasonable bonus pool in light of the number of participants and the Company s resources. The Compensation Committee also determined that each NEO would be eligible to participate in the pool. Eligibility determinations are based upon the Compensation Committee s assessment of the importance of a participant s role, together with such participant s overall cash and equity compensation level. Finally, the Compensation Committee determined that we would use adjusted operating income before amortization, also referred to as OIBA, as the measure of performance on which bonus awards would be based.

To calculate adjusted OIBA we start with the operating income as presented in our audited financial statements, and we (1) add back (a) stock-based compensation expense and (b) amortization of acquired intangible assets; and (2) exclude gain or loss on sales and disposals of intangible assets or other non-recurring expenses.

The Compensation Committee elected to use these adjusted OIBA targets because it believes that such targets most accurately reflect the improvements in our corporate performance without the impact of certain non-cash and non-recurring expenses which the Company does not regard as ongoing costs of doing business. The Compensation Committee set a range of specific OIBA targets based on a review of our actual OIBA for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2007 and our budgeted OIBA for the 2008 fiscal year. At the low end of the range, the targets were intended to be difficult but realistic given our expectations regarding corporate performance. The high end of the range, intended to reflect optimum Company performance, were set significantly higher than our projected financial results and were considered stretch goals.

If the targets are met, the Compensation Committee has complete discretion to allocate awards among eligible participants in any amount not exceeding the corresponding aggregate bonus pool. The Compensation Committee also has absolute discretion to award no bonuses at all even if the highest target is achieved. It is our intention that any such bonus payments would still constitute a relatively small percentage of our NEO compensation so that the bulk of their compensation package will remain dependent on our long-term growth.

For 2008, the Compensation Committee did not award any bonuses under the Incentive Plan to the NEOs or any other employee because we did not meet the OIBA targets in part due to the deterioration of global economic conditions in the fall of 2008. You can find more information regarding our Incentive Plan on page 20.

In prior years, the Compensation Committee has approved the Incentive Plan performance measures and targets in the first quarter of the fiscal year. However, the Compensation Committee has not yet approved performance measures and targets for the Incentive Plan for 2009 given the current state of the economy in the United States as well as the economic climate anticipated in 2009.

#### **Retention Agreements**

We have entered into retention agreements with each of Messrs Arends, Caldwell and Christothoulou (and previously Mr. Ferroni). In addition, outstanding equity grants held by our executive officers will vest in full immediately upon any change of control. These arrangements are described on pages 22-24.

We believe it is appropriate to have these arrangements in place to promote our goal of the long-term retention of our management team. The Compensation Committee took into account the retention practices of our competitors in establishing the terms of such retention agreements.

The following Compensation Committee Report and related disclosure shall not be deemed incorporated by reference by any general statement incorporating this proxy statement into any filing under the Securities Act or under the Exchange Act, except to the extent that the Company specifically incorporates this information by reference, and shall not otherwise be deemed filed under such Acts.

### COMPENSATION COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of Marchex, Inc., have reviewed and discussed the Compensation Discussion and Analysis contained in this proxy statement with management. Based on such review and discussion, we have recommended to the Board of Directors that the Compensation Discussion and Analysis be included in this Proxy Statement and in Marchex s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

### THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE

Dennis Cline

Jonathan Fram

Nicolas Hanauer, Chair

#### Summary Compensation Table<sup>(1)(2)</sup>

The following table summarizes the total compensation for our NEOs, who are our chief executive officer, our chief financial officer, our three other most highly compensated executive officers and two former executive officers who would have been included among the three other most highly compensated executive officers had they continued to serve as an executive officer through December 31, 2008.

| Name and Principal Position   | Year                 | Salary<br>(\$)                | Stock<br>Awards<br>(\$) <sup>(3)</sup> | Option<br>Awards<br>(\$) <sup>(4)</sup> | All Other<br>Compensation<br>(\$) | Total<br>(\$)                     |
|---|----------------------|-------------------------------|--|---|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Russell C. Horowitz   | I cai                | (Ψ)                           | (ψ)                                    | (ψ)                                     | (Ψ)                               | (Φ)                               |
| Chairman and Chief Executive Officer  | 2008<br>2007<br>2006 | 50,000<br>50,000<br>50,000    | 1,785,255<br>1,777,489                 |   |                                   | 1,835,255<br>1,827,489<br>50,000  |
| Michael Arends<br>Chief Financial Officer                                     | 2008<br>2007<br>2006 | 255,000<br>255,000<br>135,000 | 670,221<br>666,558                     | 220,840<br>236,531<br>562,000           |                                   | 1,146,061<br>1,158,089<br>697,000 |
| Ethan Caldwell<br>Chief Administrative Officer, General Counsel and Secretary | 2008<br>2007         | 150,000<br>150,000            | 670,221<br>666,558                     |   |                                   | 820,221<br>816,558                |
| Peter Christothoulou<br>Chief Operating Officer                               | 2008<br>2007         | 150,000<br>150,000            | 670,221<br>666,558                     |   |                                   | 820,221<br>816,558                |
| John Keister<br>President   | 2008<br>2007         | 115,000<br>115,000            | 893,628<br>888,745                     |   |                                   | 1,008,628<br>1,003,745            |
|   |                      |                               |  |   |                                   |                                   |
| Former Officers:<br>William Day <sup>(5)</sup>                                | 2008                 | 87,122                        | 315,909 <sup>(9)</sup>                 | 508,542 <sup>(9)</sup>                  | 250,000 <sup>(6)</sup>            | 1,161,573                         |
| Former Chief Media Officer  |                      |                               |  |   |                                   |                                   |
| Cameron Ferroni <sup>(7)</sup>  | 2008<br>2007<br>2006 | 119,667<br>200,000<br>95,000  | 446,814 <sup>(9)</sup>                 | 187,507 <sup>(9)</sup>                  | 41,667 <sup>(8)</sup>             | 795,655                           |
| Former Chief Technology Officer   | 2000                 | 95,000                        | 444,372                                | 358,738<br>686,000                      |                                   | 1,003,110<br>781,000              |
|   |                      |                               |  |   |                                   |                                   |

(1) Includes only those columns relating to compensation awarded to, earned by or paid to the NEOs in 2006, 2007 and 2008, except with respect to Messrs. Caldwell, Christothoulou, Day and Keister, who were not NEOs in 2006 and with respect to Mr. Day who was not a NEO in 2007. All other columns have been omitted.

<sup>(2)</sup> The total value of all perquisites and personal benefits of each NEO falls below the reportable amount for disclosure within this table.

(3) Represents the compensation cost recognized in our financial statements related to stock awards awarded to each NEO. We recognize the fair value of the stock on the date of issuance as compensation expense over the vesting period of awards granted in accordance with SFAS 123R. The grant date fair value of the stock awards issued on January 1, 2007 was \$13.38 per share which is closing price of our common stock on the NASDAQ Global Market on the date of grant.

(4) Represents the compensation cost recognized in our financial statements relating to stock options awarded to each NEO. Pursuant to SFAS 123R, we recognize the grant date fair value, estimated using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model in compensation expense over the vesting periods of options granted. Each year our financial statements reflect compensation costs relating to options granted during the current year as well as options granted in prior years that remain unvested at the beginning of the current year. Accordingly, amounts in the table include a portion of the grant date fair value of each option awarded from 2003 through 2008. The following represents the

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weighted-average assumptions used to determine the full grant date fair value for grants awarded in the years indicated:

|                          | 2003         | 2004           | 2005           | 2006           | 2007           | 2008           |
|--------------------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Expected life (in years) | 4.0          | 4.0            | 4.0            | 4.0            | 4.0            | 4.0            |
| Risk-free interest rate  | 5.50%        | 4.25% to 4.75% | 3.69% to 4.36% | 4.60% to 5.12% | 3.26% to 4.91% | 1.28% to 3.13% |
| Expected volatility      | 102% to 111% | 85% to 102%    | 58% to 61%     | 53% to 58%     | 52%            | 52% to 58%     |
| Expected dividend        | 0%           | 0%             | 0%             | 0% to 0.6%     | 0.60%          | 0.60%          |

- <sup>(5)</sup> Mr. Day joined as the Company s Chief Media Officer in August of 2007. In May of 2008, he transitioned from an employee of the Company to a consultant of the Company. His consulting relationship with the Company ended in November of 2008.
- <sup>(6)</sup> Lump sum payment paid within ninety days of the end of Mr. Day s employment relationship with the Company.
- <sup>(7)</sup> Mr. Ferroni joined as the Company s Chief Technology Officer in September of 2005. His employment relationship with the Company ended in October 2008.
- <sup>(8)</sup> Lump sum payment paid in connection with the end of Mr. Ferroni s employment relationship with the Company.
- <sup>(9)</sup> Options and restricted stock forfeited in connection with termination of employment except as provided in Option Exercise and Stock Vested During 2008 table below.

#### 2008 Grants of Plan-Based Awards

There were no stock and/or option awards granted during the year ended December 31, 2008 to our NEOs.

#### **Annual Incentive Plan**

Under our Incentive Plan, our Compensation Committee has discretion to award bonuses based on our achievement of selected performance metrics and on each participant s performance during the year. On or before March 31st of each year, our Compensation Committee determines the maximum aggregate amount of the bonus pool, identifies which employees will be eligible for awards, and sets performance targets to be met in order for participants to be eligible for a bonus, using any of the following as the Compensation Committee determines in its sole discretion:

pre-tax income;

adjusted operating income before amortization;

operating income before amortization;

operating income;

net earnings;

net income;

cash flow or funds from operations;

adjusted earnings per share;

earnings per share;

appreciation in the fair market value of our stock;

cost reduction or savings;

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implementation of critical processes or projects; or

adjusted earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization, or adjusted earnings before any of them. The Compensation Committee determined that for 2008 the bonus pool would be up to \$1,000,000, and that each NEO would be eligible to be considered for awards based on our 2008 performance. Our Compensation Discussion and Analysis, which begins on page 15, provides additional discussion regarding the Incentive Plan. No awards were paid under this plan to our NEOs or any other employee for 2008.

## Outstanding Equity Awards at 2008 Fiscal Year-End<sup>(1)</sup>

The following table sets forth certain information with respect to the value of all unexercised options and unvested stock awards previously awarded to our NEOs as of December 31, 2008. Certain option and stock awards provide for accelerated vesting in full upon a change in control. For more information on these acceleration provisions, please refer to pages 22-24.

|                                |                         | <b>Option Awards</b>   |  |                                  |                                  | Stock A<br>Number of  | Awards<br>Market   |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|--|--|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|--|
| Name                           | Grant<br>Date           | Number of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Unexercised<br>Options (#)<br>Exercisable | Number of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Unexercised<br>Options (#)<br>Unexercisable | Option<br>Exercise<br>Price (\$) | Option<br>Expiration<br>Date     | Shares or<br>Units of<br>Stock<br>That<br>Have<br>Not<br>Vested (#) | Value of<br>Shares or<br>Units of<br>Stock That<br>Have Not<br>Vested<br>(\$) <sup>(2)</sup> |
| Russell C. Horowitz            |                         |  |  |                                  |                                  |   |  |
| Restricted Stock               | 1/1/2007(3)             |  |  |                                  |                                  | 700,000   | 4,081,000  |
| Michael Arends                 | 5/1/2003                | 275,000<br>100,000<br>100,000  |  | \$ 3.00<br>\$ 6.50<br>\$ 22.76   | 5/1/2013<br>5/1/2013<br>1/5/2016 |   |  |
| Options                        | 5/1/2003                | 100,000  | 31,251   | φ 22.70                          | 1/5/2010                         |   |  |
| Options                        | 1/5/2006 <sup>(4)</sup> |  |  |                                  |                                  | 262.500   | 1 520 275  |
| Options                        | 1/1/2007 <sup>(3)</sup> |  |  |                                  |                                  | 262,500   | 1,530,375  |
| Restricted Stock               |                         |  |  |                                  |                                  |   |  |
| Ethan Caldwell                 |                         |  |  |                                  |                                  |   |  |
| Restricted Stock               | 1/1/2007(3)             |  |  |                                  |                                  | 262,500   | 1,530,375  |
| Peter Christothoulou           |                         |  |  |                                  |                                  |   |  |
| Restricted Stock               | $1/1/2007_{(3)}$        |  |  |                                  |                                  | 262,500   | 1,530,375  |
| John Keister                   |                         |  |  |                                  |                                  |   |  |
| Restricted Stock               | 1/1/2007(3)             |  |  |                                  |                                  | 350,000   | 2,040,500  |
| Former Officers:               |                         |  |  |                                  |                                  |   |  |
| William Day <sup>(5)</sup>     |                         |  |  |                                  |                                  |   |  |
| Options                        |                         |  |  |                                  |                                  |   |  |
| Restricted Stock               |                         |  |  |                                  |                                  |   |  |
| Cameron Ferroni <sup>(5)</sup> |                         |  |  |                                  |                                  |   |  |

Options

Restricted Stock

- <sup>(1)</sup> Includes only those columns for which there are outstanding equity awards at December 31, 2008. All other columns have been omitted.
- <sup>(2)</sup> Based on a closing price of \$5.83 of our common stock on the NASDAQ Global Market on December 31, 2008.
- <sup>(3)</sup> The shares of restricted stock vest at the rate of 12.5% on each of July 1, 2008, January 1, 2009, July 1, 2009, and January 1, 2010 and the remaining 50% vest on January 1, 2013 with vesting in full upon a change of control of the Company.

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- <sup>(4)</sup> The option vests over a four year period at the rate of twenty-five percent on January 5, 2007 and the remainder vests quarterly thereafter in equal increments.
- <sup>(5)</sup> Options and restricted stock forfeited in connection with termination of employment except as provided in Option Exercise and Stock Vested During 2008 table below.

#### **Option Exercises and Stock Vested During 2008**

The following table sets forth certain information concerning option exercises by our NEOs and vesting of our common stock held by them during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008.

|                      | Option A<br>Number<br>of Shares<br>Acquired<br>on<br>Exercise | Awards<br>Value<br>Realized<br>on<br>Exercise | Stock A<br>Number<br>of Shares<br>Acquired<br>on<br>Vesting | Awards<br>Value<br>Realized<br>on<br>Vesting |
|----------------------|---|---|---|--|
| Name                 | (#)   | <b>(\$)</b> <sup>(1)</sup>                    | (#)   | <b>(\$)</b> <sup>(2)</sup>                   |
| Russell C. Horowitz  |   |   | 100,000   | 1,228,000                                    |
| Michael Arends       |   |   | 37,500  | 460,500                                      |
| Ethan Caldwell       |   |   | 37,500  | 460,500                                      |
| Peter Christothoulou |   |   | 37,500  | 460,500                                      |
| John Keister         |   |   | 50,000  | 614,000                                      |
| Former Officers:     |   |   |   |  |
| William Day          | 24,575  | 42,467  |   |  |
| Cameron Ferroni      |   |   | 25,000  | 307,000                                      |

<sup>(1)</sup> Based on the difference between the market price of the Company s common stock on the date of exercise and the exercise price.

<sup>(2)</sup> Based on the market price of the Company s common stock on the vesting date.

#### Potential Payments upon Termination or Change in Control

#### **Employment Contracts with NEOs**

We have entered into an Executive Employment Agreement with Michael Arends, our Chief Financial Officer, effective as of May 1, 2003 which provides that in the event that either: (1) Russell C. Horowitz ceases to be a Marchex employee for any reason; or (2) a change in control occurs while Mr. Arends is employed by Marchex, all options or other equity awards held by Mr. Arends with respect to our Class B common stock shall become fully vested. For purposes of this provision, a change in control occurs if one person or entity acquires control of 50% or more of our common stock entitled to vote for directors, but does not occur as a result of an acquisition by Marchex or any corporation controlled by Marchex.

Mr. Arends is also entitled to receive the following termination benefits in the event of termination by the Company without cause, Mr. Arends death or disability, or Mr. Arends resignation for good reason following the expiration of the applicable cure period: (1) full vesting of stock options, and (2) if Mr. Arends ceases to be an employee within the first three years of his employment, he shall receive <sup>1</sup>/4 of his then current annual salary and for each additional year after three full years of employment, he shall receive an additional amount equal to <sup>1</sup>/12 of his then current annual salary; up to a maximum amount equal to his then current annual salary.

#### **Restricted Stock Agreements**

Effective January 1, 2007, we granted shares of restricted stock to each of our executive officers under our 2003 Amended and Restated Stock Incentive Plan. For as long as the executive officer remains employed by us, the restricted shares will vest as follows:

12.5% will vest on each of July 1, 2008, January 1, 2009, July 1, 2009, and January 1, 2010; and

the remaining 50% will vest on January 1, 2013.

However, all restricted shares will vest immediately upon a change of control of the Company. In the event that any portion of these restricted shares which such executive officers are entitled to receive in connection with

a change of control transaction constitute parachute payments under Section 280G(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, then the Company will gross-up the payment to cover all applicable excise taxes on such parachute payments (including income and excise taxes on such gross-up payment).

#### **Retention Agreements**

On October 2, 2006, we entered into retention agreements with each of Messrs. Arends, Caldwell and Christothoulou, which provide that in the event of a change of control, each of Messrs. Arends, Caldwell and Christothoulou would be entitled to a lump sum payment equal to two times the amount calculated by adding (1) his annual salary at that time plus (2) the greater of (a) any bonus he earned with respect to the prior fiscal year, or (b) his pro rata portion of the aggregate bonus pool under our Incentive Plan for the current year assuming achievement under the Incentive Plan of the maximum performance targets for such year. With respect to Messrs. Arends, Caldwell and Christothoulou, if within twelve (12) months following a change of control: (1) the Company shall terminate his employment with the Company without cause, or (2) he shall voluntarily terminate such employment for good reason, the Company shall provide reimbursement of health care premiums for him and his dependents, for a period of eighteen (18) months from the date of his termination, to the extent that he is eligible for and elects continuation coverage under COBRA (provided that such reimbursement shall terminate upon commencement of new employment by an employer that offers health care coverage to its employees). In the event that any portion of these payments under Section 280G(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, then the Company will gross-up the payment to cover all applicable excise taxes on such parachute payments (including income and excise taxes on such gross-up payment).

The following describes our potential payments and estimated value of any vesting of stock options or restricted stock to our executive officers upon termination or change of control of Marchex assuming such termination or change of control occurred on December 31, 2008. The actual amounts to be paid and the value of any vesting of stock options or restricted stock can be determined only at the time of such termination or change of control, and are dependent upon the facts and circumstances then applicable:

| Name  | Change in Control<br>(\$) | Termination without<br>Cause or<br>Resignation for<br>Good Reason | Termination<br>(\$) |
|---|---------------------------|---|---------------------|
| Russell C. Horowitz   |                           |   |                     |
| Salary and Bonus Payments                                   |                           |   |                     |
| Severance Payments  |                           |   |                     |
| Value of Accelerated Option Awards                          |                           |   |                     |
| Value of Accelerated Restricted Stock Awards <sup>(2)</sup> | 4,081,000                 |   |                     |
| Health Benefits   |                           |   |                     |
| Estimated 280G gross-up <sup>(4)</sup>                      | 1,002,712                 |   |                     |
| Michael A. Arends   |                           |   |                     |
| Salary and Bonus Payments <sup>(1)</sup>                    | 910,000                   |   |                     |
| Severance Payments  |                           |   | 106,250             |
| Value of Accelerated Option Awards <sup>(5)</sup>           | 0                         |   | 0                   |
| Value of Accelerated Restricted Stock Awards <sup>(2)</sup> | 1,530,375                 |   |                     |
| Health Benefits <sup>(3)</sup>                              |                           | 20,604  |                     |
| Estimated 280G gross-up <sup>(4)</sup>                      | 649,280                   | 57,495  |                     |
| Ethan Caldwell  |                           |   |                     |
| Salary and Bonus Payments <sup>(1)</sup>                    | 700,000                   |   |                     |
| Severance Payments  |                           |   |                     |
| Value of Accelerated Option Awards                          |                           |   |                     |
| Value of Accelerated Restricted Stock Awards <sup>(2)</sup> | 1,530,375                 |   |                     |
| Health Benefits <sup>(3)</sup>                              |                           | 20,604  |                     |
| Estimated 280G gross-up <sup>(4)</sup>                      | 669,798                   | 9,463   |                     |

| Change in Control | Termination without<br>Cause or<br>Resignation for   | Termination   |
|-------------------|--|---|
| (\$)              | Good Reason  | (\$)  |
|                   |  |   |
| 700,000           |  |   |
|                   |  |   |
|                   |  |   |
| 1,530,375         |  |   |
|                   | 20,604   |   |
| 667,877           | 9,462  |   |
|                   |  |   |
|                   |  |   |
|                   |  |   |
|                   |  |   |
| 2,040,500         |  |   |
|                   |  |   |
| 484,404           |  |   |
|                   | (\$)<br>700,000<br>1,530,375<br>667,877<br>2,040,500 | Cause or<br>Resignation for<br>Good Reason       700,000       1,530,375       20,604       667,877       9,462 |

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes pro rata portion of the 2008 Incentive Plan in accordance with the retention agreements.

- (2) Reflects the value of restricted stock awards granted January 1, 2007 based upon \$5.83 per share, the closing price of our common stock on the NASDAQ Global Market on December 31, 2008.
- <sup>(3)</sup> Based on the estimated cost of health benefits for a period of eighteen months.
- (4) The value determined in accordance with Section 280G of the Internal Revenue Code of payments and benefits provided to an NEO that are contingent upon a change in control or a closely related event, such as termination of employment, may be subject to a 20% excise tax to the extent of the excess of such value over the NEO s average annual taxable compensation from the Company for the five years preceding the year of the change in control (or such shorter period as the NEO was employed by the Company) if the total value of such payments and benefits equals or exceeds an amount equal to three times such average annual taxable compensation. As described above, an NEO who incurs any such excise tax will be entitled to receive from the Company a gross-up payment in an amount necessary to place him in the same after-tax position had no portion of such contingent payments been subject to excise tax. The amount of the gross-up payments in the table are based on a Section 4999 excise tax rate of 20% and the maximum federal marginal income tax rate of 35%. For the purposes of this calculation, it is assumed that the amounts subject to Section 280G will not be discounted as attributable to reasonable compensation and no value will be attributed to any non-competition agreement applicable to the NEO.
- <sup>(5)</sup> No benefit results from the deemed acceleration of Mr. Arends options at December 31, 2008 as there was no intrinsic value on such date. **Termination Payments**

Mr. Day s employment with the Company terminated in May of 2008, following which he served as a consultant to the Company through November of 2008. He received a lump sum payment of \$250,000 within ninety days of his employment termination and continued vesting of his stock options and health insurance benefits during the consulting period.

Mr. Ferroni s employment with the Company terminated in October of 2008. He received a lump sum payment of \$41,667 in connection with his employment termination and health insurance benefits through December 31, 2008.

#### Procedures for Review and Approval of Related Person Transactions

Our Audit Committee is responsible under its charter for reviewing and approving in advance any proposed related party transactions which would require disclosure under Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K and reporting to the Board of Directors on any approved transactions. The Audit Committee is responsible for ensuring that such relationships are on terms commensurate with those that would be extended to an unrelated third party.

#### **Compensation of Directors**

The Compensation Committee is responsible for periodically reviewing and recommending to the Board of Directors the compensation of our independent directors. Messrs. Horowitz and Keister, our two employee directors, do not receive separate compensation for their Board service. The following table summarizes compensation earned by or awarded to our independent directors who served on our Board of Directors in 2008.

#### 2008 Director Compensation<sup>(1)</sup>

| Name              | Stock<br>Awards<br>(\$) <sup>(2)(4)</sup> | Option<br>Awards<br>(\$) <sup>(3)(4)</sup> | Total<br>(\$) |
|-------------------|---|--|---------------|
| Dennis Cline      | 34,397                                    |  | 34,397        |
| Anne Devereux     | 34,397                                    | 73,150                                     | 107,547       |
| Jonathan Fram     | 37,021                                    |  | 37,021        |
| Nicolas Hanauer   | 31,774                                    | 346,460                                    | 378,233       |
| M. Wayne Wisehart | 21,571                                    | 2,939                                      | 24,510        |

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes only those columns relating to compensation awarded to, earned by, or paid to non-employee directors for their services in 2008. All other columns have been omitted.

(2) Reflects the value of restricted stock awards granted May 9, 2008 based upon the closing market price of \$11.87 per share on the grant date on the NASDAQ Global Market. Represents the compensation cost recognized in our financial statements relating to our 2008 non-employee director restricted stock awards.

(3) Represents the compensation cost recognized in our financial statements relating to stock options awarded to each non-employee director. Pursuant to SFAS 123R, we recognize the grant date fair value, estimated using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model in compensation expense over the vesting periods of options granted. Each year our financial statements reflect compensation costs relating to options granted during the current year as well as options granted in prior years that remain unvested at the beginning of the current year. Accordingly, amounts in the table include a portion of the grant date fair value of each option awarded from 2003 through 2008. The following represents the weighted-average assumptions used to determine the full grant date fair value for grants awarded in the years indicated:

|                          | 2003         | 2004           | 2005           | 2006           | 2007           | 2008           |
|--------------------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Expected life (in years) | 4.0          | 4.0            | 4.0            | 4.0            | 4.0            | 4.0            |
| Risk-free interest rate  | 5.50%        | 4.25% to 4.75% | 3.69% to 4.36% | 4.60% to 5.12% | 3.26% to 4.91% | 1.28% to 3.13% |
| Expected volatility      | 102% to 111% | 85% to 102%    | 58% to 61%     | 53% to 58%     | 52%            | 52% to 58%     |
| Expected dividend        | 0%           | 0%             | 0%             | 0% to 0.6%     | 0.60%          | 0.60%          |

<sup>(4)</sup> The aggregate number of equity awards outstanding as of December 31, 2008 are:

| Name              | Stock Awards<br>or Stock Units | Option<br>Awards | Total   |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|---------|
| Dennis Cline      | 5,900                          | 35,000           | 40,900  |
| Anne Devereux     | 5,900                          | 40,000           | 45,900  |
| Jonathan Fram     | 6,350                          | 33,650           | 39,950  |
| Nicolas Hanauer   | 5,450                          | 300,000          | 305,450 |
| M. Wayne Wisehart | 3,700                          | 40,000           | 43,700  |

The Company s directors currently do not receive cash compensation for their services as members of the Board of Directors. Directors are, however, reimbursed for the reasonable out-of-pocket expenses they incur in attending meetings of the Board of Directors or Board of Director Committees.

In May of 2008, the Company granted Messrs. Cline, Fram and Hanauer and Ms. Devereux an aggregate of 23,600 shares of restricted stock which included an annual grant and a grant with respect to their service on the various board committees pursuant to the Company s 2003 amended and restated stock incentive plan which will vest in full on May 9, 2009 assuming continued service on the Board during such period and with accelerated vesting in full upon a change in control.

In November of 2008 in connection with Mr. Wisehart s appointment to the Board, the Company granted Mr. Wisehart the following equity awards: (i) a non-qualified stock option pursuant to the Company s 2003 amended and restated stock incentive plan to purchase 40,000 shares of the Company s Class B common stock, at an exercise price of \$5.61 per share and with vesting over a four year period pursuant to which twenty-five percent will vest on November 17, 2009 and the remainder will vest quarterly thereafter in equal increments and with accelerated vesting in full upon a change in control; and (ii) a restricted stock award under the Company s 2003 amended and restated stock incentive plan to purchase an aggregate of 3,700 shares of the Company s Class B common stock in his capacities as director and chairman of the Audit Committee and at an exercise price of \$0.01 per share and which will vest in full on May 9, 2009 assuming continued service on the Board for such period and with accelerated vesting in full upon a change in control.

#### **Equity Compensation Plans**

*Stock Incentive Plan.* On January 17, 2003, we adopted our 2003 stock incentive plan. The plan provides for the granting of shares of Class B common stock to employees, directors, and consultants of Marchex, its affiliates and strategic partners and provides for the following types of option grants:

incentive stock options within the meaning of Section 422 of the Internal Revenue Code, sometimes known as ISOs;

non-statutory stock options, which are options not intended to qualify as ISOs, sometimes known as non-qualified options; and

right to purchase shares pursuant to restricted stock purchase agreements.

*Employee Stock Purchase Plan.* Our 2004 employee stock purchase plan, effective on March 30, 2004, was adopted by our Board of Directors and approved by our stockholders on February 15, 2004. This plan is intended to qualify under Section 423 of the Internal Revenue Code and permits eligible employees to purchase our Class B common stock for amounts up to 15% of their compensation in purchase periods under the plan. Under the purchase plan, no employee will be permitted to purchase stock worth more than \$25,000 in any calendar year, valued as of the first day of each purchase period. We have authorized an aggregate of 300,000 shares of our Class B common stock for issuance under the purchase plan to participating employees. The purchase plan provides for purchase periods which shall be determined by the Board of Directors.

The purchase plan was amended on December 8, 2005 to provide that effective January 1, 2006 the purchase price of shares of Class B common stock available under the purchase plan shall be equal to 95% of the closing price of the shares of Class B common stock on the last business day of each purchase period.

#### **Equity Compensation Plan Information**

The following table sets forth certain information regarding our Class B common stock that may be issued upon exercise of options, warrants and other rights under all of our existing equity compensation plans as of December 31, 2008.

| Plan Category  | Number of shares<br>to be issued upon<br>exercise of<br>outstanding<br>options,<br>warrants<br>and rights<br>(a) | e:<br>out: | eighted-average<br>xercise price of<br>standing options,<br>warrants and<br>rights<br>(b) | Number of shares<br>remaining available<br>for future issuance<br>under equity<br>compensation plans<br>(excluding shares<br>reflected in<br>column (a))<br>(c) |
|--|--|------------|---|---|
| Equity compensation plans approved by security holders               |  |            |   |   |
| 2003 stock incentive plan <sup>(1)</sup>                             | 4,517,154  | \$         | 12.21   | 2,866,863   |
| 2004 employee stock purchase plan                                    | 5,706  | \$         | 5.54 to 11.70   | 241,574   |
| Stand-alone warrants not approved by security holders <sup>(2)</sup> | 6,500  | \$         | 8.45  | N/A   |
| Total  | 4,529,360  | \$         | 8.45 to 15.50   | 3,108,437   |

(1) We have reserved 14,133,174 shares of Class B common stock for issuance under our 2003 stock incentive plan, which includes an increase of 1,852,652 shares to the authorized number of shares available under the plan which occurred on January 1, 2009 as a result of the evergreen provision under the plan. The evergreen provision provides for annual increases in the number of shares available for issuance under the plan, on the first day of our fiscal year, equal to 5% of the outstanding shares of Class B common stock (including any shares of Class B common stock issuable upon conversion of any outstanding capital stock) on such date.

(2) In connection with our initial public offering in April 2004 we granted warrants to the underwriters in that offering to purchase an aggregate of 120,000 shares of Class B common stock upon exercise thereof at an exercise price of \$8.45 per share. The warrants were exercisable over a four-year period commencing on April 5, 2005 and ending April 5, 2009. As of December 31, 2008, approximately 6,500 warrants remained unexercised.

#### SECTION 16(a) BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP REPORTING COMPLIANCE

Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 requires the Company s directors, officers and persons who beneficially own more than 10% of a registered class of the Company s equity securities to file with the SEC initial reports of ownership and reports of changes in ownership. Directors, officers and 10% stockholders are required by SEC regulations to furnish the Company with copies of all Section 16(a) reports they file.

Based solely on review of the copies of such reports the Company has received, or written representations that no other reports were required for those persons, the Company believes that its directors, officers and 10% stockholders complied with all applicable filing requirements during 2008.

#### STOCKHOLDER PROPOSALS FOR 2009 ANNUAL MEETING

Stockholders are entitled to present proposals for action at a forthcoming meeting if they comply with the requirements of the proxy rules promulgated by the SEC. Proposals of stockholders of the Company intended to be presented for consideration at our 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders must be received by the Company no later than December 11, 2009 and must otherwise comply with the requirements of Rule 14a-8 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 in order that they may be considered for inclusion in the proxy statement and form of proxy relating to that meeting. Stockholder proposals should be addressed to the attention of the Company s General Counsel, 413 Pine Street, Suite 500, Seattle, Washington 98101.

Stockholders who wish to present a proposal at our 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, other than one that will be included in our proxy materials, should send notice to the Company by March 8, 2010. If a stockholder proposal is not submitted by this date and it is properly brought before our 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, we may exercise voting discretion to vote the proxies that the Board of Directors solicits for our 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders on such stockholder proposal in accordance with our best judgment. If a stockholder makes a timely notification, the people we name as proxies may still exercise discretionary voting authority under circumstances consistent with the proxy rules of the SEC. The corresponding proposal submission date for our 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders was March 9, 2009. We have discretionary authority to vote the proxies that the Board of Directors solicits for our 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders on any stockholder proposals properly brought before our 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders with respect to which the Company was not notified by that date.

#### **ANNUAL REPORT ON FORM 10-K**

A copy of Marchex s annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008, including its financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2008, accompanies this proxy statement and is also available for download or review by visiting *www.marchex.com/investors/secfilings.html*, and is also available on the internet as provided on the notice of annual meeting of stockholders accompanying this proxy statement. An additional copy of such annual report on 10-K (without exhibits) will be furnished without charge and a copy of any or all exhibits to such annual report on Form 10-K will be furnished for a fee which will not exceed our reasonable expenses in furnishing exhibits upon request by any stockholder to Marchex Investor Relations, 413 Pine Street, Suite 500, Seattle, Washington 98101, or by calling (206) 331-3300.

#### DELIVERY OF THIS PROXY STATEMENT

The SEC has adopted rules that permit companies and intermediaries (e.g., brokers) to satisfy the delivery requirements for annual reports and proxy statements with respect to two or more stockholders sharing the same address by delivering a single annual report and proxy statement addressed to those stockholders. This process, which is commonly referred to as householding, potentially means extra convenience for stockholders and cost savings for companies.

This year, brokers with account holders who are Company stockholders may be householding our proxy materials. A single annual report and proxy statement will be delivered to multiple stockholders sharing an address unless contrary instructions have been received from the affected stockholders. Once you have received notice from your broker or us that they will be householding communications to your address, householding will continue until you are notified otherwise or until you revoke your consent. If, at any time, you no longer wish to participate in

householding and would prefer to receive a separate annual report and proxy statement, please notify your broker and direct your written request to Marchex Investor Relations, 413 Pine Street, Suite 500, Seattle, Washington 98101 or by calling (206) 331-3300.

Stockholders who currently receive multiple copies of the proxy statement at their address and would like to request householding of their communications should contact their broker.

The Company s stock transfer agent and registrar is BNY Mellon Shareowner Services LLC, 85 Challenger Road, Ridgefield Park, New Jersey 07660, (800) 522-6645.

By order of the Board of Directors,

Ethan Caldwell

Secretary