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NOTICE OF 2011 ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

To Be Held on May 4, 2011

The 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Entegris, Inc. will be held at the Company s headquarters at 129 Concord Road, Billerica, Massachusetts on Wednesday, May 4, 2011, at 10:00 a.m., local time, to consider and act upon the following matters:

- 1. To elect eight (8) Directors to serve until the 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.
- 2. To ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP as Entegris independent registered public accounting firm for 2011.
- 3. To provide an advisory vote on Executive Compensation.
- 4. To provide an advisory vote on the frequency of the advisory vote on Executive Compensation.
- 5. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting and at any adjournment or postponement thereof. Stockholders of record at the close of business on March 18, 2011 are entitled to notice of and to vote at the Annual Meeting and any adjournments or postponements thereof.

By order of the Board of Directors,

Peter W. Walcott

Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary

Dated: April 1, 2011

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOUR SHARES BE REPRESENTED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING. WHETHER OR NOT YOU EXPECT TO ATTEND THE MEETING, PLEASE VOTE IN ONE OF THE FOLLOWING THREE WAYS: (1) BY COMPLETING, SIGNING AND

DATING THE ENCLOSED PROXY CARD AND RETURNING IT IN THE ENCLOSED STAMPED ENVELOPE BY MAIL, (2) BY COMPLETING A PROXY USING THE TOLL-FREE TELEPHONE NUMBER LISTED ON THE PROXY CARD, OR (3) BY COMPLETING A PROXY ON THE INTERNET AT THE INTERNET ADDRESS LISTED ON THE PROXY CARD.

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be Held on May 4, 2011 the Proxy Statement and the Annual Report are available at http://investor.entegris.com/financials.cfm

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ENTEGRIS, INC.

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Proxy Statement for the 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders

To Be Held on May 4, 2011

This proxy statement is furnished in connection with the solicitation of proxies by the Board of Directors (the Board) of Entegris, Inc., a Delaware corporation, (Entegris or the Company) for use at the 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held at the Company s headquarters at 129 Concord Road, Billerica, Massachusetts on Wednesday, May 4, 2011, at 10:00 a.m., local time, and at any adjournment or adjournments of that meeting. This proxy statement, the foregoing Notice of Annual Meeting of Stockholders, the enclosed form of proxy and the Company s 2010 Annual Report on Form 10-K are first being mailed or given to stockholders on or about April 1, 2011.

PROXIES

A stockholder giving a proxy may revoke it at any time before it is voted by executing and delivering to Entegris another proxy bearing a later date, by delivering a written notice to the Secretary of the Company stating that the proxy is revoked, or by voting in person at the 2011 Annual Meeting. Any properly completed proxy forms returned in time to be voted at the Annual Meeting will be voted in accordance with the instructions indicated thereon. If no instructions are indicated on the proxy, the proxy will be voted In Favor of the election of the eight named nominees as directors and in accordance with the recommendations of the Board of Directors with respect to other matters to come before the 2011 Annual Meeting. In addition, the proxy confers discretionary authority to vote on any other matter properly presented at the 2011 Annual Meeting which is not known to the Company as of the date of this proxy statement, unless the proxy directs otherwise.

Stockholders may vote by proxy in one of the following three ways: (1) by completing, signing and dating the enclosed proxy card and returning it in the enclosed postage paid envelope by mail, (2) by completing a proxy using the toll-free telephone number listed on the proxy card in accordance with the specified instructions, or (3) by completing the proxy card via the Internet at the Internet address listed on the proxy card in accordance with the specified instructions.

All costs of solicitation of proxies will be borne by Entegris. In addition to solicitations by mail, the Company s directors, officers and regular employees, without additional remuneration, may solicit proxies by telephone, personal interviews and the Internet. Brokers, custodians and fiduciaries will be requested to forward proxy soliciting material to the owners of stock held in their names, and Entegris will reimburse them for their reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with the distribution of proxy materials.

VOTING SECURITIES AND VOTES REQUIRED

The record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to notice of and to vote at the 2011 Annual Meeting was the close of business on March 18, 2011 (the Record Date). On the Record Date, there were 134,250,806 shares of Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share, the Company s only voting securities, outstanding and entitled to vote. Each share of common stock is entitled to one vote. Under the Company s By-Laws, the holders of a majority of the shares of common stock outstanding and entitled to vote at the meeting shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at the meeting. Shares of common stock represented in person or by proxy (including shares which abstain or do not vote with respect to one or more of the matters presented for stockholder approval) will be counted for purposes of determining whether a quorum is present. The affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of votes cast by the stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting

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is required for the election of directors (see Corporate Governance Majority Voting for Directors below) and for the approval of the other matters listed in the Notice of Meeting. Shares which abstain from voting as to a particular matter, and shares held in street name by brokers or nominees, who indicate on their proxies that they do not have discretionary authority to vote such shares as to a particular matter, will not be counted as votes in favor of such matter, and will also not be counted as votes cast or shares voting on such matter. Accordingly, abstentions and broker non-votes will not be included in vote totals and will not affect the outcome of the voting on the election of the directors.

PROPOSAL 1 ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

At each annual meeting of stockholders, directors are elected for a term of one year to succeed those directors whose terms are expiring. The persons named in the enclosed proxy will vote to elect as directors the nominees designated by the Board of Directors, whose names are listed below, unless the proxy is marked otherwise. Each of the nominees has indicated his willingness to serve, if elected. However, if a nominee should be unable to serve, the shares of common stock represented by proxies may be voted for a substitute nominee designated by the Board of Directors. There are no family relationships between or among any officers or directors of Entegris. Michael P.C. Carns and Gary F. Klingl are incumbent directors who are retiring and are not nominees for election at the annual meeting of stockholders.

Nominees for Election

Set forth below are the name and age of each nominee for election as a director, his principal occupation and, in the case of existing directors, the year of his first election as a director of Entegris or a predecessor public corporation.

			Director
Name of Nominee	Age	Principal Occupation	Since*
Current Directors:			
Gideon Argov	54	President & Chief Executive Officer, Entegris, Inc.	2004
Michael A. Bradley	62	Chief Executive Officer, Teradyne, Inc.	2001
Marvin D. Burkett	65	Management Consultant	2010
Daniel W. Christman	67	Independent Business Consultant	2001
Roger D. McDaniel	72	Chairman of the Board, Retired Executive	1999
Paul L.H. Olson	60	Chief Executive Officer, nuBridges, Inc.	2003
Brian F. Sullivan	49	Chairman, SterilMed, Inc.	2003
New Nominee:			
R. Nicholas Burns	55	Professor of The Practice of Diplomacy and International Politics, Kennedy School, Harvard University	

^{*} Includes service with predecessor public company, Entegris, Inc., a Minnesota corporation (Entegris Minnesota), in the case of Messrs. McDaniel, Olson and Sullivan and Mykrolis Corporation (Mykrolis) in the case of Messrs. Argov, Bradley and Christman. Set forth below with respect to each director or nominee standing for election at the 2011 Annual Meeting are the principal occupation and business experience during at least the past five years, the names of other publicly held companies of which he serves or has served as a director during such period, as well as the experience, qualifications, attributes or skills that has lead the Board of Directors to conclude that each nominee should serve as a director of the Company.

Gideon Argov serves as our President and Chief Executive Officer. He served as the Chief Executive Officer and a director of Mykrolis Corporation from November 2004 until its merger into the Company. Prior to joining

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Mykrolis, Mr. Argov was a Special Limited Partner at Parthenon Capital, a Boston-based private equity partnership, since 2001. He served as Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President of Kollmorgen Corporation from 1991 to 2000. From 1988 to 1991 he served as Chief Executive Officer of High Voltage Engineering Corporation. Prior to 1988, he led consulting engagement teams at Bain and Company. Mr. Argov served as a director of Helix Technology Corporation until its merger with Brooks Automation, Inc. in 2005 and of Fundtech Corporation until December of 2010. He currently is a director of Interline Brands, Inc. and X-Rite Incorporated. Mr. Argov has been a director of the Company since its merger in 2005.

The Board of Directors has concluded that by reason of his extensive experience as a chief executive officer of three public companies prior to his current position and of his many years of experience as a director of a variety of public companies as well as his current position as chief executive officer of the Company, Mr. Argov should serve as a director of the Company.

Michael A. Bradley served as a director of Mykrolis Corporation and as Chairman of the Audit & Finance Committee of the Mykrolis Board of Directors from 2001 until August 2005 when it merged into the Company. Mr. Bradley has been a director of the Company since the merger. He served as Chairman of the Audit & Finance Committee of the Company s Board of Directors from the date of that merger until June 14, 2006 and as a member of that committee until May 2008 when he joined the Management Development & Compensation Committee of the Company s board of directors. Since 2004 he has been the Chief Executive Officer and a director of Teradyne, Inc., a global supplier of automatic test systems and equipment for semiconductor, military/aerospace, data storage and automotive applications. Prior to that he served as President of Teradyne, Inc. since May of 2003 and as President, Semiconductor Test Division of Teradyne since April of 2001. Mr. Bradley served as the Chief Financial Officer of Teradyne, Inc. from 1999 until 2001 and as a Vice President of Teradyne since 1992. Prior to that, Mr. Bradley held various finance, marketing, sales and management positions with Teradyne and worked in the audit practice group of the public accounting firm of Coopers and Lybrand. Mr. Bradley was appointed to Teradyne s Management Committee in 1994 and its Executive Committee in 1996. Mr. Bradley serves as a director of the Massachusetts High Technology Council. He received his A.B. degree from Amherst College and an M.B.A. from the Harvard Business School.

The Board of Directors has concluded that by reason of his experience as a chief executive officer of Teradyne, Inc. as well as his other senior executive positions with Teradyne which have given him extensive experience with the semiconductor industry and by reason of his nine years of experience as a director of both Mykrolis Corporation and the Company, Mr. Bradley should serve as a director of the Company.

Marvin D. Burkett has served as a director of the Company since May of 2010. He has served as the Chief Financial Officer and Chief Administrative Officer of Nvidia Corporation (high performance semiconductor based graphics products) from 2001 until his retirement in 2009. Mr. Burkett also served Advanced Micro Devices, Inc. (manufacturer of semiconductors) from 1972 until 1998, first as corporate controller and then as the Chief Financial Officer and Chief Administrative Officer. Prior to that he worked at the Semiconductor Division of Raytheon Company. Mr. Burkett is a member of the board of directors of Netlogic Microsystems, Inc. (design, development and sale of high speed integrated circuits for advanced mobile wireless applications). Mr. Burkett holds a B.S. degree and an M.B.A. from the University of Arizona.

The Board of Directors has concluded that by reason of his forty years of experience in the semiconductor industry and of his experience as chief financial officer and chief administrative officer of two major companies serving the semiconductor industry, Mr. Burkett should serve as a director of the Company.

Daniel W. Christman served as a director of Mykrolis Corporation and as a member of the Audit & Finance Committee of the Mykrolis Board of Directors from 2001 until the August 2005 merger with the Company. From February of 2003 through 2004 he was designated as the Presiding Director of the Mykrolis Board of Directors. Since the Merger he served as a director of the Company and on the Audit & Finance Committee of the Company s Board of Directors and since May 2008 on its Governance & Nominating Committee. From 2003

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until 2009 he served as Senior Vice President, International Affairs of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. In 2001 he retired in the grade of Lieutenant General after a career in the United States Army that spanned more than 36 years. Immediately prior to his retirement, General Christman served as the Superintendent of the United States Military Academy at West Point since 1996. From 1994 until 1996, General Christman served as Assistant to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff of the United States. General Christman skey command positions have also included the U.S. Army sengineer School in the early 1990 s, and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer District in Savannah, Georgia. General Christman also served in President Ford sendinistration as a member of the National Security Council staff, where he shared responsibility for strategic arms control. He currently serves as a director of Teradyne, Inc., a global supplier of automatic test systems and equipment for semiconductor, military/aerospace, data storage and automotive applications. Until 2009 he served as a member of the Board of Directors of Ultralife, Inc., a manufacturer of high-energy lithium batteries for military, industrial and consumer applications. General Christman is a graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point, where he also was an Assistant Professor of Economics. General Christman holds an MPA degree in public affairs and an MSE degree in civil engineering from Princeton University and a Juris Doctor degree from The George Washington University Law School.

The Board of Directors has concluded that by reason of his extensive graduate education, his responsibilities as a General Officer in the U.S. Army, his experience with international business issues with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and by reason of his nine years of experience as a director of both Mykrolis Corporation and the Company, General Christman should serve as a director of the Company.

Roger D. McDaniel serves as the independent Chairman of the Board of the Company and served as the Chairman of the Audit & Finance Committee of the Company s Board of Directors from June 14, 2006 until May 6, 2009. Prior to the August 2005 merger with the Company, he served as a director of Entegris Minnesota and as a member of the Compensation and Stock Option and Audit Committees of the Entegris Minnesota Board of Directors from August 1999 until the Merger. Prior to that time, Mr. McDaniel was a director of Fluoroware, Inc. since August 1997. Mr. McDaniel, currently retired, was President and Chief Executive Officer of IPEC, Inc., a manufacturer of chemical-mechanical planarization (CMP) equipment for the semiconductor industry, from 1997 to 1999. From 1989 to August 1996, Mr. McDaniel was the Chief Executive Officer of MEMC Electronic Materials, Inc., a silicon wafer producer, and was also a director of MEMC from April 1989 to March 1997. Mr. McDaniel is a director of Veeco Instruments, Inc. He is also a past director and Chairman of the Semiconductor Equipment and Materials International (SEMI) organization.

The Board of Directors has concluded that by reason of his many years of industry business experience and of his experience as chief executive officer of two different companies serving the semiconductor industry and by reason of his thirteen years of experience as a director of both Entegris Minnesota and the Company, Mr. McDaniel should serve as a director of the Company.

Paul L.H. Olson served as a director of Entegris Minnesota and as Chairman of the Governance Committee of the Entegris Minnesota board of directors from March 2003 until the August 2005 merger with the Company and as a director and the Chairman of the Governance and Nominating Committee of the Company s Board of Directors since that time. Mr. Olson is the Chief Executive Officer and a director of nuBridges, Inc., a software business headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia. He served as Executive Vice President of Bethel University from 2002 to 2008. Prior to 2000, Mr. Olson was a founding executive of Sterling Commerce, Inc., an electronic commerce software company. Prior to his role with Sterling Commerce, he held executive positions with Sterling Software, Inc. and Michigan National Corp. Mr. Olson is a member of the board of directors of several private companies and non-profit organizations, including WMC Industries, Inc. and Macalester College; Mr. Olson also serves as an advisor to Thoma Bravo Equity Partners. Mr. Olson holds a doctorate degree from the University of Pennsylvania. Mr. Olson has been a director of the Company since its merger in 2005.

The Board of Directors has concluded that by reason of his extensive graduate education, his many years of business and institutional management experience and of his experience as chief executive officer of two different software companies and by reason of his ten years of experience as a director of both Entegris Minnesota and the Company, Mr. Olson should serve as a director of the Company.

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Brian F. Sullivan has served as a director of the Company since the merger in 2005. He served as a director of Entegris Minnesota and as a member of its Compensation and Stock Option Committee from December 2003 until the August 2005 merger with the Company; and served as a member of the Management Development & Compensation Committee of the Company from the Merger until May 2008 at which time he joined the Audit & Finance Committee. Mr. Sullivan is Chairman of SterilMed, Inc where he has also served as Chief Executive Officer from 2002 until 2010. From 1999 to 2002, Mr. Sullivan was co-chairman of an on-line grocery delivery company, SimonDelivers.com. Mr. Sullivan co-founded Recovery Engineering, Inc. in 1986, and was Chairman and Chief Executive Officer until it was sold in 1999. Mr. Sullivan served as a member of the board of directors of Virtual Radiologic Corporation from 2008 until that company was sold in 2010, and serves as a director of several private companies and non-profit organizations. Mr. Sullivan holds an A.B. degree from Harvard University.

The Board of Directors has concluded that by reason of his extensive his years of varied business and management experience and of his experience as chief executive officer of two diverse businesses and by reason of his seven years of experience as a director of both Entegris Minnesota and the Company, Mr. Sullivan should serve as a director of the Company.

New Nominee:

R. Nicholas Burns is a nominee for election as a director of the Company for the first time. He was nominated by our Governance and Nominating Committee which nomination was approved by the unanimous vote of our Board of Directors. He is currently a Professor of The Practice of Diplomacy and International Politics, Kennedy School, Harvard University. Ambassador Burns served in the United States Foreign Service for twenty-seven years until his retirement in April 2008. He served as Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs from 2005 to 2008. From 2001-2005 He was U.S. Ambassador to NATO. Prior to that from 1997 to 2001 he was U.S. Ambassador to Greece. He is Director of the Aspen Strategy Group, Senior Counselor at the Cohen Group and serves on the Board of Directors of the Vangent Holding Corporation and the Advisory Board for Veracity Worldwide. He is on the Board of Directors of the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, the Center for a New American Security, The Atlantic Council and a number of other non-profit organizations.

The Board of Directors has concluded that by reason of his distinguished career as a diplomat and of his expertise in world affairs, Mr. Burns should serve as a director of the Company.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS THAT THE

STOCKHOLDERS VOTE FOR THE ABOVE NOMINEES

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CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Entegris Board of Directors believes that adherence to good corporate governance principles is essential to running our business efficiently, to maintaining our integrity in the marketplace and to ensure that the Company is managed for the long-term benefit of its stockholders. The Board recognizes that maintaining and ensuring good corporate governance is a continuous process. To this end, our Board of Directors has adopted the Entegris, Inc. Corporate Governance Guidelines, the Entegris, Inc. Code of Business Ethics (which is applicable to all employees, including executive officers, as well as to directors to the extent relevant to their service as directors) and a charter for each committee of the Board of Directors. The Corporate Governance Guidelines, the Code of Business Ethics and the Charters of the Audit & Finance Committee, the Management Development & Compensation Committee and the Governance & Nominating Committee are available on the Company s website at http://www.Entegris.com under Investors Corporate Governance and will be provided in printed form to any stockholder who requests them from us.

Director Independence

The Company s Corporate Governance Guidelines provide that a substantial majority of the directors shall be independent. Currently, with the exception of the Chief Executive Officer, our Board of Directors is comprised entirely of independent directors. The Board has determined that each of Messrs. Bradley, Burkett, Christman, McDaniel, Olson and Sullivan is, and, if elected by the stockholders, Mr. Burns will be, independent as determined under Rule 4200(15) of the NASDAQ Stock Market, Inc. Marketplace Rules. The Entegris, Inc. Corporate Governance Guidelines also provide that there will be an executive session, comprised exclusively of independent directors, at each regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting.

Board Leadership Structure

Our board has adopted a structure whereby the Chairman of the Board is an independent director. We believe that having a Chairman independent of management provides strong leadership for the Board and helps ensure critical and independent thinking with respect to the Company s strategy and performance. Our Chief Executive Officer is also a member of the Board of Directors as the management representative on the Board. We believe this is important to make information and insight concerning the Company s business directly available to the directors in their deliberations. Our Board believes that having separate positions, with an independent non-executive director serving as Chairman, is the appropriate leadership structure for our Company at this time and demonstrates our commitment to good corporate governance.

Our Chairman of the Board is responsible for the smooth functioning of our Board, enhancing its effectiveness by guiding Board processes and presiding at Board meetings and executive sessions of the independent directors. Our Chairman also presides at stockholder meetings and ensures that directors receive appropriate information from our Company to fulfill their responsibilities. Our Chairman is an ex officio member of each standing Board committee, providing guidance and, like all directors, taking an active role in evaluating our executive officers. Our Chairman also acts as a liaison between our Board and our executive management, promoting clear and open communication between management and the Board.

Board of Directors Role in Risk Oversight

Our Board of Directors has responsibility for the oversight of risk management. Our Board, either as a whole or through its Committees, regularly discusses with management our major risk exposures, their potential impact on our Company and the steps we take to manage them. While our Board is ultimately responsible for risk oversight at our Company, our Board Committees assist the Board in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities in certain areas of risk. In particular, our Audit & Finance Committee focuses on financial risk, including internal

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controls and receives an annual risk assessment report from our Internal Audit Department. Our Governance & Nominating Committee focuses on the management of risks associated with Board organization, membership and structure, succession planning for our directors and corporate governance. Finally, our Management Development & Compensation Committee assists the Board in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities with respect to the management of risks arising from our compensation policies and programs and related to succession planning for our executive officers

Related Party Transactions

The Board of Directors has adopted a policy that prohibits any business transaction with a value of \$60,000 or more between Entegris and our directors, nominees for director and executive officers or their immediate families. In addition, as part of our annual disclosure documentation process we circulate questionnaires to our directors, nominees for director and our executive officers requiring information as to any business transaction with a value of \$60,000 or greater between Entegris and those persons or a member of his or her immediate family. The answers to these questionnaires are reviewed for compliance with this policy by management and discussed with the Audit & Finance Committee and our independent registered public accounting firm. Since January 1, 2010, there has been no such business transaction between Entegris and any director, nominee or executive officer or member of their immediate family.

Majority Voting for Directors

On December 17, 2008, the Company s Board of Directors approved amendments to the Company s By-Laws and to its Corporate Governance Guidelines to implement a change in the vote required to elect directors in uncontested elections of directors from a plurality-voting standard to a majority-voting standard. This change was effective as of the date of adoption.

These amendments to the By-Laws provide that a director nominee will be elected in an uncontested director election only if the number of votes cast for the nominee exceeds the number of votes cast against the nominee. Directors will continue to be elected by a plurality vote at any contested election, which is defined as an election where the number of nominees exceeds the number of directorships to be filled. These amendments to the By-Laws also prohibit the Board from nominating for election (or filling a vacancy or newly created directorship with) any candidate who has not agreed in advance to submit an irrevocable resignation that would take effect upon (a) the failure to receive the required vote for reelection in the next election, and (b) the Board s acceptance of such resignation. These amendments to the By-Laws impose a similar requirement on director candidates nominated by stockholders. All nominees for election as director listed above have agreed to tender such a resignation.

If an incumbent director does not receive the required vote for reelection, the Governance & Nominating Committee of the Board will make a recommendation to the Board as to whether to accept the director s resignation; the Board will consider this recommendation and determine, within 90 days after certification of the election results, whether to accept the director s resignation and will promptly disclose its decision (including the reasons underlying the decision) in an SEC filing.

Board and Committee Meetings

The Board of Directors has a standing Audit & Finance Committee, which provides the opportunity for direct contact between the Company s independent registered public accounting firm and the directors. As noted above, the Board has adopted a written charter for the Audit & Finance Committee, a copy of which is posted on the Company s web site http://www.Entegris.com under Investors Corporate Governance . The responsibilities of the Audit & Finance Committee include selection, appointment, compensation and oversight

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of the Company s independent registered public accounting firm as well as reviewing the scope and results of audits and reviewing the Company s internal accounting control policies and procedures. The Audit & Finance Committee held seven meetings during fiscal 2010. The current members of the Audit & Finance Committee are Daniel W. Christman, Chairman, Marvin D. Burkett, Roger D. McDaniel and Brian F. Sullivan, each of whom has been determined by the Board of Directors to be independent as defined under Rule 4200(15) of the NASDAQ Stock Market, Inc. Marketplace Rules and to comply with the independence requirements contemplated by Rule 10A-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The Board of Directors has determined that Roger D. McDaniel and Marvin D. Burkett, members of the Audit & Finance Committee, each possess the attributes of an audit committee financial expert as that term is defined in the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The Board of Directors also has a standing Management Development & Compensation Committee, which reviews executive compensation and development and provides recommendations to the Board regarding Entegris compensation programs. The Board of Directors has adopted a written charter for the Management Development & Compensation Committee, a copy of which is posted on the Company s web site http://www.Entegris.com under Investors Corporate Governance. The responsibilities of the Management Development & Compensation Committee include determining the compensation of corporate officers, reviewing and recommending changes to equity incentive and other employee benefit plans, reviewing the administration of such plans, reviewing the Company s management development programs and strategies and reviewing and recommending annual compensation for the Board of Directors. The Management Development & Compensation Committee held seven meetings during fiscal 2010. The members of the Management Development & Compensation Committee are Michael P.C. Carns, Chairman, Michael A. Bradley and Gary F. Klingl, each of whom has been determined by the Board of Directors to be independent as defined under Rule 4200(15) of the NASDAQ Stock Market, Inc. Marketplace Rules.

The Board of Directors has a standing Governance & Nominating Committee, which provides recommendations to the Board regarding Entegris corporate governance and corporate responsibility programs and recommends nominees to be elected to the board of directors. The Board of Directors has adopted a written charter for the Governance & Nominating Committee, a copy of which is posted on the Company s web site http://www.Entegris.com under Investors Corporate Governance . The responsibilities of the Governance & Nominating Committee include the periodic review of corporate governance guidelines and matters related to corporate responsibility, review of matters relating to the size, composition, required skills and structure of the Board of Directors and committees thereof, the review and evaluation of potential candidates for nomination to the Board, recommendation to the Board of Directors of a slate of nominees for election as directors each year and the determination to accept or reject resignations of directors who fail to receive a majority vote for their re-election to the Board as described above. The Governance & Nominating Committee held four meetings during fiscal 2010. The members of the Governance & Nominating Committee are Paul L.H. Olson, Chairman, Daniel W. Christman and Gary F. Klingl, each of whom has been determined by the Board of Directors to be independent as defined under Rule 4200(15) of the NASDAQ Stock Market, Inc. Marketplace Rules.

The Board of Directors held seven meetings during fiscal 2010. Each of Messrs. Argov, Bradley, Burkett, Carns, Christman, Klingl, McDaniel, Olson and Sullivan attended at least 75% of the aggregate number of meetings held by the Board of Directors and by any committee on which he at the time served.

Director Nomination Process

The Governance & Nominating Committee is responsible for managing the process for nomination of new directors. The Committee may identify potential candidates for first-time nomination as a director using a variety of sources—recommendations from our management, current directors, stockholders or contacts in communities served by Entegris, or by conducting a formal search using an outside search firm selected and engaged by the Governance & Nominating Committee. Following the identification of a potential director-nominee, the

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Governance & Nominating Committee commences an inquiry to obtain sufficient information concerning the background of a potential new director-nominee. Included in this inquiry is an initial review of the candidate with respect to the following factors: (1) whether the individual meets the specified minimum qualifications for first-time director nominees; (2) whether the individual would be considered independent under applicable rules of NASDAQ and the Securities and Exchange Commission; and (3) whether the individual would meet any additional requirements imposed by law or regulation on the members of the Audit & Finance Committee and/or the Management Development & Compensation Committee of the Board.

The Governance & Nominating Committee evaluates candidates for director nominees in the context of the current composition of the Board taking into account all factors it considers appropriate, including but not limited to, the characteristics of independence, skills, experience, availability for service to Entegris, tenure of incumbent directors on the Board and the anticipated needs of the Board of Directors. The Governance & Nominating Committee believes that, the assessment of potential nominees to be recommended by the Governance & Nominating Committee, should include consideration of the following factors: (i) a position capable of making, or a record of, valuable contributions to the business community, (ii) personal qualities of leadership, character, judgment and a reputation in the community at large of integrity, trust, respect, competence and adherence to the highest ethical standards, (iii) experience in the semiconductor/microelectronics industry or in other industries in which the Company operates; (iv) whether the candidate is free of conflicts and has the time required for preparation, participation and attendance at all meetings; (v) candor and willingness to operate on a team and to seek consensus; or (vi) relevant knowledge and diversity of background and experience in such things as business, manufacturing, technology, finance and accounting, marketing, international business, government and the like. While the Board of Directors does not have a formal policy with respect to diversity, the Board and the Governance & Nominating Committee each believe that it is desirable that the Board members represent diverse viewpoints, with a range of experiences, professions, skills, geographic representation and backgrounds that provide a sufficient mix of perspectives to allow the Board to best fulfill its responsibilities to the Company s stockholders. In addition, at least one member of the Board should have accounting or related financial management expertise, as determined in the business judgment of the Board of Directors. The Governance & Nominating Committee will consider potential nominees recommended by our stockholders for the Committee s consideration taking into account the same considerations as are taken into account for other potential nominees. Stockholders may recommend candidates by writing to the Chairman, Governance & Nominating Committee in care of the Company s Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary at Entegris, Inc., 129 Concord Road, Billerica, MA 01821. Our By-Laws provide for additional procedures and requirements for stockholders wishing to nominate a director for election as part of the official business to be conducted at an annual stockholders meeting, as described further under Stockholder Proposals for 2012 Annual Meeting below. In addition, as noted above, our By-Laws require that all nominees, as a condition to being nominated, agree to submit an irrevocable resignation that would take effect upon (a) the failure to receive the required vote for reelection in the next election, and (b) the Board s acceptance of such resignation.

Communications with the Independent Directors

Stockholders and other interested parties may communicate directly with a member or members of the Board or the non-management directors either individually or as a group by addressing their correspondence to the director or directors, c/o our Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary, at the address listed above, with a request to forward the same to the intended recipient. All such communications will be reviewed by the Company s Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary and if they are relevant to the Company s operations, policies and philosophies, they will be forwarded to the Chairman of the Board (Mr. McDaniel). The Chairman of the Board will provide to the directors copies or summaries of any such stockholder communications as he considers appropriate.

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Director Attendance at Annual Meetings

Members of the Board of Directors are encouraged to attend Annual Meetings of Stockholders. All current directors attended the 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

Director Compensation

The Board of Directors adopted the following standard compensation arrangements for non-employee directors: an annual retainer of \$55,000 plus an annual fee of \$5,000 for service on the Audit & Finance Committee. Committee chairmen receive an annual fee in lieu of any committee service fee of \$7,500 for the Chairman of the Management Development & Compensation Committee, \$5,000 for the Chairman of the Governance and Nominating Committee and of \$10,000 for the Chairman of the Audit & Finance Committee. Non-employee directors are also entitled to annual equity awards of \$100,000 worth of restricted stock valued on the date of each Annual Meeting with restrictions lapsing on the date of the next Annual Meeting. New directors receive a one-time initial director s stock option award covering 15,000 shares at the first Board of Directors meeting following election. In addition, non-employee directors are reimbursed for their out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with services as a director. The Entegris Board of Directors adopted the following standard compensation arrangement for the independent Chairman of the Board (Mr. McDaniel): the above specified annual retainer and applicable fees from committee service plus an annual chairman s fee of \$40,000. All of the foregoing fees are based on a June through May fiscal period and are paid quarterly in advance. Mr. Argov receives no compensation for his service as a director.

Director Summary Compensation Table

The table below summarizes the compensation paid by the Company to directors for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010.

(a)	(b) Fees Earned or		(c)	(d) All Other	(e)	
	Paid in Cash	Stock Awards		Compensation (\$)	Total	
Name (1)	(\$)	(\$) (\$)(2)			(\$)	
Michael A. Bradley	55,000	\$	100,000		\$ 155,000	
Marvin D. Burkett	45,000	\$	$153,100^{(3)}$		\$ 198,100	
Michael P.C. Carns	62,500	\$	100,000		\$ 162,500	
Daniel W. Christman	65,000	\$	100,000		\$ 165,000	
Gary F. Klingl	55,000	\$	100,000		\$ 155,000	
Roger D. McDaniel	100,000	\$	100,000		\$ 200,000	
Paul L. H. Olson	60,000	\$	100,000		\$ 160,000	
Brian F. Sullivan	60,000	\$	100,000		\$ 160,000	

- (1) Gideon Argov, the Company s President and Chief Executive officer, is not included in this table since he is an employee of the Company, receives no compensation for his services as a director and is included in the Summary Compensation Table under Executive Compensation below.
- (2) Reflects the aggregate grant date fair value of stock awards to each director during 2010, calculated in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718.
- (3) Includes a new director stock option grant covering 15,000 shares at an exercise price of \$6.20, the closing price for the Company s stock on May 4, 2010.

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COMPENSATION OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

Set forth below is summary information concerning certain compensation earned, paid or awarded during fiscal years 2010, 2009 and 2008 by the Company to our chief executive officer, our chief financial officer, to the three other most highly compensated executive officers who were serving as executive officers at the end of the fiscal year and, with respect to 2010, to one additional executive officer paid compensation in excess of the foregoing three executive officers but who was not employed by the Company at the end of fiscal 2010. Throughout this proxy statement we refer to these individuals collectively as the named executive officers.

COMPENSATION DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Objectives of Executive Compensation Policies

The Entegris executive compensation policies are designed so that: (i) total compensation is tied to individual performance, (ii) total compensation will vary with the Company s performance in achieving financial and other strategic objectives, and (iii) long-term incentive compensation is closely aligned with stockholders interests. Further, the Entegris executive compensation policies provide that the proportion of variable compensation increases as an employee s level of responsibility increases so that compensation for senior executives is closely aligned with the Company s performance. For these reasons, the Entegris executive compensation policies prioritize: pay-for-performance, competitive compensation and employee retention and alignment with stockholders interests. The overall objectives of the executive compensation policies are to:

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