BIOGEN IDEC INC.
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LATE-BREAKING NEWS

Two of the nation s leading independent proxy voting advisory services, Glass, Lewis & Co. and PROXY Governance, Inc., have each recommended that stockholders vote FOR all of your Board s nominees on the WHITE proxy card.

FOUR KEY POINTS TO REMEMBER ABOUT BIOGEN IDEC S JUNE 3, 2009 ANNUAL MEETING:

1. **The Biogen Idec Board has a proven track record of successfully overseeing the Company through a period of significant financial performance and pipeline growth.**

2. **Your Board s nominees for re-election at this year s Annual Meeting Lawrence C. Best, Dr. Alan B. Glassberg, Robert W. Pangia and William D. Young are essential members of the team that has positioned your company for continued success.**

3. **Carl Icahn fails to understand what has made your company a global leader in its industry in our opinion, electing his nominees could damage the value of your investment.**

4. **The meeting is on June 3 *just a few days away*.**

YOUR VOTE IS VERY IMPORTANT

PROTECT YOUR INVESTMENT VOTE FOR YOUR BOARD S NOMINEES ON THE WHITE PROXY CARD TODAY

TIME IS SHORT AND YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT
To ensure that your vote is represented at the meeting, we urge you to vote TODAY
by Internet or telephone by following the simple instructions
on the enclosed WHITE proxy card

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On April 27, 2009, Biogen Idec filed a definitive proxy statement with the SEC in connection with the Company s 2009 Annual Meeting. Biogen Idec s stockholders are strongly advised to read the definitive proxy statement carefully before making any voting or investment decision because the definitive proxy statement contains important information. The Company s proxy statement and any other materials filed by the Company with the SEC can be obtained free of charge at the SEC s web site at www.sec.gov or from Biogen Idec at http://investor.biogenidec.com. The Company s definitive proxy statement and other materials will also be available for free by writing to Biogen Idec Inc., 14 Cambridge Center, Cambridge, MA 02142 or by contacting our proxy solicitor, Innisfree M&A Incorporated, by toll-free telephone at (877) 750-5836.