

News Release

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HEXCEL CORPORATION CALLS STOCKHOLDER MEETING

Stamford, Connecticut – March 30, 2012 – Hexcel Corporation (NYSE / Euronext Paris: HXL) today informs its stockholders that it is holding the 2012 Annual General Meeting of stockholders of Hexcel Corporation on May 3, 2012 at 10:30 a.m. at Two Stamford Plaza, 281 Tresser Boulevard, Stamford, Connecticut, for the following purposes:

- 1. To elect ten individuals to serve as directors until the next annual meeting of stockholders and until their successors are duly elected and qualified;
- 2. To conduct an advisory vote to approve the company's 2011 executive compensation;
- 3. To ratify the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as independent registered public accounting firm for 2012; and
- 4. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournments or postponements thereof.

We have established the close of business on March 8, 2012 as the record date for determining the registered stockholders entitled to attend, vote or grant proxies to vote at the meeting or any adjournments or postponements of the meeting.

Hexcel Corporation makes available free of charge on its website, its Annual Report on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K, reports filed pursuant to Section 16 of the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and amendments to those reports filed with or furnished to the SEC as soon as reasonably practicable after Hexcel Corporation electronically files these documents with, or furnishes them to, the SEC. These documents are posted on Hexcel Corporation's website at www.hexcel.com — under "Investor Relations."

The SEC maintains a website that contains reports, proxy statements and other information regarding issuers that file electronically with the SEC. These materials may be obtained electronically by accessing the SEC's home page at http://www.sec.gov.

To obtain copies of Hexcel Corporation's proxy statement for its 2012 Annual General Meeting, and the necessary documents to vote your shares, please consult Hexcel Corporation's website at www.hexcel.com — under "Investor Relations" or call + 1 203 352 6826 (toll call).

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Hexcel Corporation is a leading advanced composites company. It develops, manufactures and markets lightweight, high-performance structural materials, including carbon fibers, reinforcements, prepregs, honeycomb, matrix systems, adhesives and composite structures, used in commercial aerospace, space and defense and industrial applications such as wind turbine blades.