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This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet. We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting.

The following materials are available for view:

2008 Notice and Proxy Statement

2007 Annual Report

To view the proxy materials, go to www.proxyvote.com. You will need your 12 digit control number(s) located on the following page to access these materials.

If you want to receive a paper or e-mail copy of the proxy materials, you must request one. To facilitate timely delivery, we suggest you make the request on or before April 22, 2008. There will be no charge to you for requesting a copy. You may request materials in the following manner:

Via Internet at www.proxyvote.com

Via Telephone at (800) 579-1639

Via E-mail at sendmaterial@proxyvote.com - please send a blank e-mail with the 12-digit control number(s) located on the following page in the subject line.

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BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB COMPANY

Vote In Person

All stockholders of record and stockholders in street name who have obtained a legal proxy may vote in person at the meeting. If you plan on attending the meeting in person, please bring this Notice, which will serve as your admission ticket.

Vote By Internet

To vote *now* by Internet, go to WWW.PROXYVOTE.COM. Use the Internet to transmit your voting instructions and for electronic delivery of information up until 11:59 p.m., Eastern Time either on (i) May 1, 2008 for shares in employee benefit plans or (ii) May 5, 2008 for all other shares. Have this Notice in hand when you access the website and follow the instructions.

P.O. BOX 4000

PRINCETON, NJ 08540

Record Date

The Board of Directors has set March 10, 2008 as the record date for the 2008 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

Meeting Date and Location

The 2008 Annual Meeting of Stockholders will be held on May 6, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time at:

Devens Common Center

31 Andrews Parkway

Devens, MA 01434

For Directions to the Devens Common Center, please call the hotel directly at (978) 772-3030 or access the hotel's website at www.springhillsuites.com/bossd.

This Notice serves as your admission ticket to the meeting. This ticket admits only the stockholder(s) listed in this Notice and is not transferable. Please bring photo identification if you plan to attend the meeting in person.

Voting items

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WILL BE VOTED UPON

AT THE MEETING:

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR EACH DIRECTOR UNDER ITEM 1.

1. Election of Directors

Nominees:

- 1A) L. B. Campbell
- 1B) J. M. Cornelius
- 1C) L. J. Freeh
- 1D) L. H. Glimcher, M.D.
- 1E) M. Grobstein
- 1F) L. Johansson
- 1G) A. J. Lacy
- 1H) V. L. Sato, Ph.D.
- 1I) T. D. West, Jr.
- 1J) R. S. Williams, M.D.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR ITEM 2.

2. Ratification of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE AGAINST ITEM 3.

3. Executive Compensation Disclosure

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