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*** Exercise Your *Right* to Vote ***

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders Meeting to Be Held on May 14, 2014.

COLFAX CORPORATION

Meeting Information

Meeting Type:Annual MeetingFor holders as of:March 20, 2014Date:May 14, 2014Time:3:00 PM EDT

Location: Maple Lawn Community Center 7600 Maple Lawn Boulevard Fulton, Maryland 20759

You are receiving this communication because you hold shares in the company named above.

This is not a ballot. You cannot use this notice to vote these shares. This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials, which contain important information and are available to you on the Internet or by mail. You may view the proxy materials online at www.proxyvote.com or easily request a paper copy (see reverse side).

See the reverse side of this notice to obtain proxy materials and voting instructions.

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— Before You Vote —

How to Access the Proxy Materials

Proxy Materials Available to VIEW or RECEIVE:

1. Notice & Proxy Statement 2. Annual Report on Form 10-K

How to View Online:

How to Request and Receive a PAPER or E-MAIL Copy:

If you want to receive a paper or e-mail copy of these documents, you must request one. There is NO charge for requesting a copy. Please choose one of the following methods to make your request:

BY INTERNET: www.proxyvote.com
 BY TELEPHONE: 1-800-579-1639

3) BY E-MAIL*: sendmaterial@proxyvote.com

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Requests, instructions and other inquiries sent to this e-mail address will NOT be forwarded to your investment advisor. Please make the request as instructed above on or before April 30, 2014 to facilitate timely delivery.

— How To Vote –

Please Choose One of the Following Voting Methods

Vote In Person: Many stockholder meetings have attendance requirements including but not limited to, the possession of an attendance ticket issued by the entity holding the meeting. Please check the meeting materials for any special requirements for meeting attendance. At the meeting, you will need to request a ballot to vote these shares.

Vote By Internet: To vote now by Internet, go to *www.proxyvote.com*. Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow $\rightarrow \boxed{\times \times \times \times \times \times \times \times}$ (located on the following page) available and follow the instructions.

Vote By Mail: You can vote by mail by requesting a paper copy of the materials, which will include a proxy card.

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Voting Items

The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following:

- 1. Election of Directors
 - 1a. Mitchell P. Rales
 - 1b. Steven E. Simms
 - 1c. Clay H. Kiefaber
 - 1d. Patrick W. Allender
 - 1e. Thomas S. Gayner
 - 1f. Rhonda L. Jordan
 - 1g. San W. Orr, III
 - 1h. Clayton Perfall
 - 1i. Rajiv Vinnakota

The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR proposal 2 and proposal 3:

- Ratification of the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as Colfax Corporation's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2014.
- 3. Advisory vote to approve executive compensation.

NOTE: Such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof.

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