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AMGEN INC.

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Dear Amgen Stockholder:

Our records show that you are entitled to vote at the **Amgen Inc. 2018 Annual Meeting of Stockholders** to be held on **May 22, 2018**. According to our latest records, your proxy vote for our 2018 Annual Meeting of Stockholders has not yet been received. **YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT!**

The proxy materials for the 2018 Annual Meeting of Stockholders were either previously delivered to you in paper format or you were sent a Notice that indicated that the proxy materials are available at www.astproxyportal.com/ast/Amgen. For your convenience, we have enclosed a copy of the original Notice and a proxy card (with a postage pre-paid envelope). If you receive more than one Notice or proxy card, it means you hold shares that are registered in more than one account. To ensure that all of your shares are voted, sign and return each proxy card or, if you submit a proxy by telephone or the Internet, submit one proxy for each proxy card or Notice you receive.

For the reasons set forth in the 2018 Proxy Statement, the Board of Directors recommends that you vote:

- Item 1: **FOR** each director nominee;
- Item 2: **FOR** the advisory vote to approve our executive compensation;
- Item 3: **FOR** the ratification of the selection of the independent registered public accountants; and
- Item 4: **AGAINST** the stockholder proposal.

Please understand that you can vote your shares by using any of the following methods. We urge you to review the proxy materials and vote your shares promptly even if you plan to attend the Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

Available 24 Hours 7 Days a Week

Vote online or by phone until 11:59 P.M. Eastern Time on May 21, 2018.

You may access the proxy materials at www.astproxyportal.com/ast/Amgen.

<i>VOTE BY TELEPHONE</i>	<i>VOTE BY INTERNET</i>	<i>VOTE BY MAIL</i>
Using a touch-tone telephone, call the toll-free number which appears on your enclosed proxy card.	Go to the website: WWW.VOTEPROXY.COM	Mark, sign and date your proxy card and return in the postage-paid envelope.
<i>Just follow these three easy steps:</i>	<i>Just follow these three easy steps:</i>	<i>Just follow these three easy steps:</i>
1. Read the Amgen Inc. Proxy Statement and the enclosed proxy card.	1. Read the Amgen Inc. Proxy Statement and the enclosed proxy card.	1. Read the Amgen Inc. Proxy Statement and the enclosed proxy card.
2. Call the toll-free number 1-800-PROXIES (1-800-776-9437).	2. Go to the website www.voteproxy.com .	2. Mark, sign and date your proxy card.
3. Please have your proxy card in hand and follow the simple instructions.	3. Please have your proxy card in hand and follow the simple instructions.	3. Return the proxy card in the postage-paid envelope we have provided or return to Operations Center, American Stock Transfer

**& Trust Company LLC, 6201 15th
Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11219-9821.**

If you vote by telephone or Internet, do not return your proxy card.

If you have already voted, you do not need to vote again.

Thank you for your vote!

Dear Amgen Stockholder:

Our records show that your Amgen Inc. shares are registered in the name of your broker as the holder of record for the **Amgen Inc. 2018 Annual Meeting of Stockholders** to be held on **May 22, 2018**. However, your broker has not yet received instructions from you on how to vote your shares at our 2018 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. **YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT!**

YOUR SHARES CANNOT BE VOTED ON CERTAIN PROPOSALS

UNLESS YOU GIVE SPECIFIC VOTING INSTRUCTIONS TO YOUR BROKER!

The proxy materials for the 2018 Annual Meeting of Stockholders were either previously delivered to you by your broker in paper format or you were sent a Notice from your broker that indicated that the proxy materials are available at www.proxyvote.com. For your convenience, we have enclosed a copy of the Notice and voting instruction form (with a postage pre-paid envelope). If you receive more than one Notice or proxy card, it means you hold shares that are registered in more than one account. To ensure that all of your shares are voted, sign and return each proxy card or, if you submit a proxy by telephone or the Internet, submit one proxy for each proxy card or Notice you receive.

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Using a touch-tone telephone, call the toll-free number which appears on your enclosed voting instruction form.	Go to the website: WWW.PROXYVOTE.COM	Mark, sign and date your voting instruction form and return in the postage-paid envelope.
<i>Just follow these three easy steps:</i>	<i>Just follow these three easy steps:</i>	<i>Just follow these three easy steps:</i>
1. Read the Amgen Inc. Proxy Statement and the enclosed voting instruction form.	1. Read the Amgen Inc. Proxy Statement and the enclosed voting instruction form.	1. Read the Amgen Inc. Proxy Statement and the enclosed voting instruction form.
2. Call the toll-free number 1-800-454-8683.	2. Go to the website www.proxyvote.com .	2. Mark, sign and date your voting instruction form.

3. Please have your voting instruction form in hand and follow the simple instructions.

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3. Return the voting instruction form in the postage-paid envelope we have provided or return to Vote Processing, c/o Broadridge, 51 Mercedes Way, Edgewood, NY 11717.

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If you have already voted, you do not need to vote again.

Thank you for your vote!