



**Procedures for Requesting or Viewing
Proxy Information for the Combined Ordinary and Extraordinary
Annual Meeting on May 11, 2012**

(Charenton-le-Pont, France – April 4, 2012 – 6:00 p.m.) – Shareholders are advised that the Combined Ordinary and Extraordinary Annual Meeting will be held on **Friday, May 11, 2012 at 10:30 am CEST** at Palais des Congrès de Paris, 2 place de la Porte Maillot, 75017 Paris, France.

The Notice of Meeting, published in the Bulletin des Annonces Légales Obligatoires on April 4, 2012, contains information on the agenda, the proposed resolutions and the procedures for attending and voting.

Proxy information may be viewed in the Shareholders section of the Essilor website at www.essilor.com : “Shareholding / Shareholders’ Meeting”.

As provided for in articles R.225-88 and R.225-89 of the French Commercial Code, any shareholder may consult the proxy documents and information, as described in article R.225-83 of the Commercial Code, at Company headquarters (147 rue de Paris, 94220 Charenton-le-Pont, France) or request that such documents be sent to him or her, by writing to Société Générale, Service des Assemblées, 32 rue du Champ de Tir, BP 81236 – 44312 Nantes Cedex 3, France.

About Essilor

The world's leading ophthalmic optics company, Essilor designs, manufactures and markets a wide range of lenses to improve and protect eyesight. Its corporate mission is to enable everyone around the world to access lenses that meet his or her unique vision requirements. To support this mission, the Company allocates around €150 million to research and development every year, in a commitment to continuously bring new, more effective products to market. Essilor's flagship brands are Varilux[®], Crizal[®], Definity[®], Xperio[®], Optifog[™] and Foster Grant[®]. It also develops and markets equipment, instruments and services for eyecare professionals.

Essilor reported consolidated revenue of €4.2 billion in 2011 and employs nearly 48,700 people.

It operates 19 plants, a total of 390 prescription laboratories and edging facilities, as well as several research and development centers around the world.

For more information, please visit www.essilor.com.

The Essilor share trades on the NYSE Euronext Paris market and is included in the CAC 40 index.

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