

AXCELIS TECHNOLOGIES INC

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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM 10-Q**

(Mark One)

**QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2015

Or

**TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Commission file number 000-30941

# AXCELIS TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**34-1818596**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**108 Cherry Hill Drive**

**Beverly, Massachusetts 01915**

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

**(978) 787-4000**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  No .

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes  No .

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer   
(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Smaller reporting company

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act) Yes  No

As of October 30, 2015 there were 115,712,016 shares of the registrant's common stock outstanding.



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	<b>Three months ended September 30,</b>		<b>Nine months ended September 30,</b>	
	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
<b>Revenue</b>				
Product	\$ 73,795	\$ 32,360	\$ 214,073	\$ 122,170
Services	5,522	6,171	16,964	18,351
Total revenue	79,317	38,531	231,037	140,521
<b>Cost of revenue</b>				
Product	45,698	18,823	137,443	73,646
Services	4,440	4,564	13,861	15,507
Total cost of revenue	50,138	23,387	151,304	89,153
Gross profit	29,179	15,144	79,733	51,368
<b>Operating expenses</b>				
Research and development	8,581	7,950	24,679	26,052
Sales and marketing	6,322	4,891	17,808	15,404
General and administrative	6,584	5,380	18,916	18,356
Restructuring charges		2,288	18	2,648
Total operating expenses	21,487	20,509	61,421	62,460
Income (loss) from operations	7,692	(5,365)	18,312	(11,092)
<b>Other (expense) income</b>				
Interest income	7	2	16	6
Interest expense	(1,274)	(304)	(3,627)	(812)
Other, net	(167)	1,352	(551)	1,282
Total other (expense) income	(1,434)	1,050	(4,162)	476
Income (loss) before income taxes	6,258	(4,315)	14,150	(10,616)
Income taxes	157	389	298	814

Net income (loss)			<b>During Past 5 years</b>	
	\$	6,101	\$	(4,704)
Albert Laskaj Legg Mason & Co. 55 Water Street, New York, NY 10041 Birth Year: 1977			Controller	Since 2007
				Vice President of Legg Mason & Co. (since 2008); Controller of certain funds associated with Legg Mason (since 2007); formerly, Assistant Controller of certain mutual funds associated with Legg Mason (from 2005 to 2007); formerly, Accounting Manager of certain mutual funds associated with certain predecessor firms of Legg Mason (from 2003 to 2005)
Steven Frank Legg Mason & Co. 55 Water Street, New York, NY 10041 Birth Year: 1967			Controller	Since 2007
				Vice President of Legg Mason & Co. (since 2002); Controller of certain funds associated with Legg Mason or its predecessors (since 2005); formerly, Assistant Controller of certain mutual funds associated with Legg Mason predecessors (from 2001 to 2005)
Robert I. Frenkel Legg Mason & Co. 100 First Stamford Place Stamford, CT 06902 Birth year: 1954			Secretary and Chief Legal Officer	Since 2003
				Managing Director and General Counsel of Global Mutual Funds for Legg Mason and its predecessor (since 1994); Secretary and Chief Legal Officer of mutual funds associated with Legg Mason (since 2003); formerly, Secretary of CFM (2001-2004)

#### Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance

Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "1934 Act") and Section 30(h) of the 1940 Act in combination require the Fund's Directors and officers and persons who own more than 10% of the Fund's common stock, as well as LMPFA and certain of its affiliated persons, to file reports of ownership and changes in ownership with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and the New York Stock Exchange, Inc. ("NYSE"). Such persons and entities are required by SEC regulations to furnish the Fund with copies of all such filings. Based solely on a review of those forms furnished to the Fund, the Fund believes that for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009, all relevant persons have complied with applicable filing requirements, except that Jeffrey Nattans, a director of the subadviser filed his form 3 late. However, Mr. Nattans did not buy or sell Fund Shares prior to the filing and has since made the required form 3 filing.

#### Report of the Audit Committee

Pursuant to a meeting of the Audit Committee on February 19, 2010, the Audit Committee reports that it has: (i) reviewed and discussed the Fund's audited financial statements with management; (ii) discussed with KPMG LLP ("KPMG"), the independent registered public accounting firm of the Fund, the matters required to be discussed by Statement on Auditing Standards No. 61; and (iii) previously received written confirmation from KPMG that it is independent and written disclosures regarding such independence as required by Independence Standards Board Standard No. 1, and discussed with KPMG the independent registered public accounting firm's independence.

Pursuant to the Audit Committee Charter adopted by the Fund's Board, the Audit Committee is responsible for conferring with the Fund's independent registered public accounting firm, reviewing annual financial statements and recommending the selection of the Fund's independent registered public accounting firm. The Audit Committee advises the full Board with respect to accounting, auditing and financial matters affecting the Fund. The independent registered public accounting firm is responsible for planning and carrying out the proper audits and reviews of the Fund's financial statements and expressing an opinion as to their conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The members of the Audit Committee are not professionally engaged in the practice of auditing or accounting and are responsible for oversight. Moreover, the Audit Committee relies on and makes no independent verification of the facts presented to it or representations made by management or the independent registered public accounting firm. Accordingly, the Audit Committee's oversight does not provide an independent basis to determine that management has maintained appropriate accounting and financial reporting principals and policies, or internal controls and procedures, designed to assure compliance with accounting standards and applicable laws and regulations. Furthermore, the Audit Committee's considerations and discussions referred to above do not provide assurance that the audit of the Fund's financial statements has been carried out in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or that the financial statements are presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Based on the review and discussions referred to in items (i) through (iii) above, the Audit Committee recommended to the Board of Directors (and the Board has approved) that the audited financial statements be included in the Fund's annual report for the Fund's fiscal year ended December 31, 2009.

Submitted by the Audit Committee  
of the Fund's Board of Directors

Carol L. Colman  
Daniel P. Cronin  
Paolo M. Cucchi  
Leslie H. Gelb  
William R. Hutchinson  
Riordan Roett  
Jeswald W. Salacuse

February 19, 2010

### **Board Recommendation and Required Vote**

Directors are elected by a plurality of the votes cast by the holders of shares of the Fund's common stock present in person or represented by proxy at a meeting at which a quorum is present. For purposes of the election of Directors, abstentions and broker non-votes will not be considered votes cast, and do not affect the plurality vote required for Directors.

**The Board of Directors, including the Directors who are not "interested" persons unanimously recommends that stockholders of the Fund vote FOR each of the nominees for Director.**

### **Disclosure of Fees Paid to Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm**

**Audit Fees.** The aggregate fees billed in the last two fiscal years ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2009 for professional services rendered by KPMG for the audit of the Fund's annual financial statements, or services that are normally provided in connection with the statutory and regulatory filings or engagements in those fiscal years, were \$125,500 and \$33,250, respectively.

**Audit-Related Fees.** The aggregate fees billed by KPMG in connection with assurance and related services related to the annual audit of the Fund and for review of the Fund's financial statements, other than the Audit Fees described above, for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2009 were \$0 and \$9, respectively.

In addition, there were no Audit Related Fees billed in the fiscal years ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2009 for assurance and related services by KPMG to LMPFA and any entity controlling, controlled by or under common control with LMPFA that provides ongoing services to the Fund (LMPFA and such other entities together, the "Service Affiliates"), that were related to the operations and financial reporting of the Fund.

**Tax Fees.** The aggregate fees billed by KPMG for tax compliance, tax advice and tax planning services, which include the filing and amendment of federal, state and local income tax returns, timely regulated investment company qualification review and tax distribution and analysis planning to the Fund for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2009 were \$2,650 and \$6,200, respectively.

There were no fees billed by KPMG to the Service Affiliates for tax services for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2009 that were required to be approved by the Fund's Audit Committee.

**All Other Fees.** There were no other fees billed for other non-audit services rendered by KPMG to the Fund for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2009.

There were no other non-audit services rendered by KPMG to the Service Affiliates in the fiscal years ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2009.

Generally, the Audit Committee must approve (a) all audit and permissible non-audit services to be provided to the Fund and (b) all permissible non-audit services to be provided to the Service Affiliates that relate directly to the operations and financial reporting of the Fund. The Audit Committee may implement policies and procedures by which such services are approved other than by the full Committee but has not yet done so.

For the Fund, the percentage of fees that were approved by the Audit Committee, with respect to: Audit-Related Fees were 100% and 100% for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2009; Tax Fees were 100% and 100% for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2009; and for Other Fees paid were 100% and 100% for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2009.

The Audit Committee shall not approve non-audit services that the Committee believes may impair the independence of the registered public accounting firm. As of the date of the approval of the Audit Committee



Charter, permissible non-audit services include any professional services (including tax services), that are not prohibited services as described below, provided to the Fund by the independent registered public accounting firm, other than those provided to the Fund in connection with an audit or a review of the financial statements of the Fund. Permissible non-audit services may not include: (i) bookkeeping or other services related to the accounting records or financial statements of the Fund; (ii) financial information systems design and implementation; (iii) appraisal or valuation services, fairness opinions or contribution-in-kind reports; (iv) actuarial services; (v) internal audit outsourcing services; (vi) management functions or human resources; (vii) broker or dealer, investment adviser or investment banking services; (viii) legal services and expert services unrelated to the audit; and (ix) any other service the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board determines, by regulation, is impermissible.

Pre-approval by the Audit Committee of any permissible non-audit services is not required so long as: (i) the aggregate amount of all such permissible non-audit services provided to the Fund, the Manager and any Covered Service Provider constitutes not more than 5% of the total amount of revenues paid to the independent registered public accounting firm during the fiscal year in which the permissible non-audit services are provided to (a) the Fund, (b) LMPFA and (c) any entity partially controlled by or under common control with LMPFA that provides ongoing services to the Fund during the fiscal year in which the services are provided that would not have to be approved by the Committee; (ii) the permissible non-audit services were not recognized by the Fund at the time of the engagement to be non-audit services; and (iii) such services are promptly brought to the attention of the Audit Committee and approved by the Audit Committee (or its delegate(s)) prior to the completion of the audit.

The aggregate non-audit fees billed by KPMG for non-audit services rendered to the Fund and Service Affiliates for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2009 were \$0 and \$0, respectively.

The Audit Committee has considered whether the provision of non-audit services to the Service Affiliates that were not pre-approved by the Audit Committee (because they did not require pre-approval) is compatible with maintaining KPMG's independence. All services provided by KPMG to the Fund or to the Service Affiliates that were required to be pre-approved by the Audit Committee were pre-approved.

A representative of KPMG, if requested by any stockholder, will be present via telephone at the Meeting to respond to appropriate questions from stockholders and will have an opportunity to make a statement if he or she chooses to do so.

#### 5% Beneficial Ownership

At March 1, 2010, to the knowledge of management, the registered stockholders who owned of record or owned beneficially more than 5% of the Fund's capital stock outstanding is noted in the table below. As of the close of business on March 1, 2010, Cede & Co., a nominee for participants in the Depository Trust Company, held of record 29,948,953 shares, equal to approximately 99% of the Fund's outstanding shares, including the shares shown below.

Percent	Name	Address
5.20%	Morgan Stanley	1585 Broadway New York, NY 10036

(1) Based upon information obtained from Schedule 13G/A filed with SEC on February 12, 2010.

**Submission of Stockholder Proposals and Other Stockholder Communications**

All proposals by stockholders of the Fund that are intended to be presented at the 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders must be received by the Fund for inclusion in the Fund's proxy statement and proxy relating to that meeting no later than December 2, 2010. Any stockholder who desires to bring a proposal at the 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders without including such proposal in the Fund's proxy statement must deliver written notice thereof to the Secretary of the Fund (addressed to c/o Legg Mason, 100 First Stamford Place, 7th Floor, Stamford, CT 06902) during the period from January 31, 2011 to March 2, 2011. However, if the Fund's 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders is held earlier than March 31, 2011 or later than June 29, 2011, such written notice must be delivered to the Secretary of the Fund no earlier than 90 days before the date of the 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and no later than the later of 60 days prior to the date of the 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders or 10 days following the public announcement of the date of the 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. Stockholder proposals are subject to certain regulations under the federal securities laws.

The Fund's Audit Committee has established guidelines and procedures regarding the receipt, retention and treatment of complaints regarding accounting, internal accounting controls or auditing matters (collectively, "Accounting Matters"). Persons with complaints or concerns regarding Accounting Matters may submit their complaints to the Chief Compliance Officer ("CCO"). Persons who are uncomfortable submitting complaints to the CCO, including complaints involving the CCO, may submit complaints directly to the Fund's Audit Committee Chair (together with the CCO, "Complaint Officers"). Complaints may be submitted on an anonymous basis.

The CCO may be contacted at:

Legg Mason & Co., LLC  
Compliance Department  
620 Eighth Avenue, 49th Floor  
New York, New York 10018

Complaints may also be submitted by telephone at 1-800-742-5274. Complaints submitted through this number will be received by the CCO.

The Fund's Audit Committee Chair may be contacted at:

LMP Capital and Income Fund Inc.  
Audit Committee Chair  
c/o Robert K. Fulton, Esq.  
Stradley Ronon Stevens & Young, LLP  
2600 One Commerce Square  
Philadelphia, PA 19103

A stockholder who wishes to send any other communications to the Board should also deliver such communications to the Secretary of the Fund at 100 First Stamford Place, 7th Floor, Stamford, CT 06902. The Secretary is responsible for determining, in consultation with other officers of the Fund, counsel, and other advisers as appropriate, which stockholder communications will be relayed to the Board.

**Expenses of Proxy Solicitation**

The costs of preparing, assembling and mailing material in connection with this solicitation of proxies will be borne by the Fund and are expected to be approximately \$68,000. Proxies may also be solicited in-person by officers of the Fund and by regular employees of LMPFA or its affiliates, or other representatives of the Fund or by telephone, in addition to the use of mails. Brokerage houses, banks and other fiduciaries may be requested to forward proxy solicitation material to their principals to obtain authorization for the execution of proxies, and will be reimbursed by the Fund for such out-of-pocket expenses.

**Other Business**

The Fund's Board of Directors does not know of any other matter that may come before the Meeting. If any other matter properly comes before the Meeting, it is the intention of the persons named in the proxy to vote the proxies in accordance with their judgment on that matter.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

Robert I. Frenkel  
Secretary

April 1, 2010

**IT IS IMPORTANT THAT PROXIES BE RETURNED PROMPTLY. STOCKHOLDERS WHO DO NOT EXPECT TO ATTEND THE MEETING ARE THEREFORE URGED TO COMPLETE AND SIGN, DATE AND RETURN THE PROXY CARD AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IN THE ENCLOSED POSTAGE-PAID ENVELOPE.**

ANNEX A

**AUDIT COMMITTEE CHARTER**

**ESTABLISHMENT AND PURPOSE**

This document serves as the Charter for the Audit Committee (the "Committee") of the Board of each registered investment company (the "Fund") advised by Legg Mason Partners Fund Advisor, LLC or one of its affiliates ("Adviser") listed on Appendix A hereto (each such Charter being a separate Charter). The primary purposes of the Committee are to (a) assist Board oversight of (i) the integrity of the Fund's financial reporting, (ii) the Fund's compliance with legal and regulatory requirements (iii) the qualifications and independence of the Fund's independent registered public accountants and (iv) the performance of the Fund's internal audit function and independent registered public accountants; (b) approve, and recommend to the Independent Board Members (as such term is defined below) for their ratification, the selection, appointment, retention or termination of the Fund's independent registered public accountants, as well as approving the compensation thereof; (c) approve all audit and permissible non-audit services provided to the Fund and certain other persons by the Fund's independent registered public accountants; and (d) for each closed-end Fund, prepare the report required to be prepared by the Committee pursuant to the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission for inclusion in the Fund's annual Proxy Statement.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

The Fund's independent registered public accountants are accountable to the Committee.

The Committee shall:

1. Bear direct responsibility for the appointment, compensation, retention and oversight of the Fund's independent registered public accountants, or of any other public accounting firm engaged for the purpose of performing other audit, review or attest services for the Fund.
2. Confirm with any independent registered public accountants retained to provide audit services that the independent registered public accountants has ensured the appropriate rotation of the lead audit partner pursuant to applicable regulations.
3. Approve (a) all audit and permissible non-audit services<sup>1</sup> to be provided to the Fund and (b) all permissible non-audit services to be provided by the Fund's independent registered public accountants

<sup>1</sup> The Committee shall not approve non-audit services that the Committee believes may impair the independence of the independent registered public accountants. As of the date of the approval of this Audit Committee Charter, permissible non-audit services include any professional services (including tax services), that are not prohibited services as described below, provided to the Fund by the independent registered public accountants, other than those provided to the Fund in connection with an audit or a review of the financial statements of the Fund. Permissible non-audit services may not include: (i) bookkeeping or other services related to the accounting records or financial statements of the Fund; (ii) financial information systems design and implementation; (iii) appraisal or valuation services, and fairness opinions; (iv) actuarial services; (v) internal audit services; (vi) management functions; (vii) human resources; (viii) broker or dealer; (ix) legal services; (x) expert services unrelated to the audit; and (xi) any other service the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board determines, by regulation, is impermissible.

Pre-approval by the Committee of any permissible non-audit services is not required so long as: (i) the aggregate amount of all such permissible non-audit services provided to the Fund, the Adviser and any service providers controlling, controlled by or under common control with the Adviser that provide ongoing services to the Fund ("Covered Service Providers") constitutes not more than 5% of the total amount of revenues paid to the independent registered public accountants during the fiscal year in which the permissible non-audit services are provided to (a) the Fund, (b) the Adviser and (c) any entity controlling, controlled by or under common control with the Adviser that provides ongoing services to the Fund during the fiscal year in which the services are provided that would have to be approved by the Committee; (ii) the permissible non-audit services were not recognized by the Fund at the time of the engagement to be non-audit services; and (iii) such services are promptly brought to the attention of the Committee and approved by the Committee (or its delegate(s)) prior to the completion of the audit.

to the Adviser and any Covered Service Providers if the engagement relates directly to the operations and financial reporting of the Fund. The Committee may implement policies and procedures by which such services are approved other than by the full Committee.

4. Discuss with the independent registered public accountants any disclosed relationships or services that may diminish the objectivity and independence of the independent registered public accountants and, if so determined by the Committee, recommend that the Board take appropriate action to ensure the independence of the independent registered public accountants.
5. Review, in consultation with the independent registered public accountants, the proposed scope of the Fund's audit each year, including the audit procedures to be utilized in the review of the Fund's financial statements.
6. Inquire of the Adviser and the independent registered public accountants as to significant tax and accounting policies elected by the Fund (including matters affecting qualification under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code).
7. Review with the independent registered public accountants any problems or difficulties the registered public accountants may have encountered during the conduct of the audit and management's response, including a discussion with the independent registered public accountants of the matters required to be discussed by Statement on Auditing Standards No. 61, 89, 90 or any subsequent Statement, relating to the conduct of the audit.
8. Review, in consultation, as appropriate, with the independent registered public accountants and significant Fund service providers, matters relating to internal controls over financial reporting and disclosure controls and procedures of the Fund and of the Fund's significant service providers.
9. Request, receive and/or review from the independent registered public accountants such other materials as deemed necessary or advisable by the Committee in the exercise of its duties under this Charter; such materials may include, without limitation, any other material written communications bearing on the Fund's financial statements, or internal or disclosure controls, between the independent registered public accountants and the Fund, the Adviser or other Fund service providers, such as any management letter or schedule of unadjusted differences, and any comment or "deficiency" letter (to the extent such letters relate to financial reporting) received from a regulatory or self-regulatory organization addressed to the Fund or the Adviser that relates to services rendered to the Fund.
10. For each closed-end Fund, establish procedures regarding the receipt, retention and treatment of complaints that the Fund may receive regarding Fund accounting, internal accounting controls or auditing matters, including procedures for the confidential or anonymous submission by Fund officers, employees, stockholders or service providers of concerns regarding questionable accounting or auditing matters related to the Fund.
11. For each closed-end Fund, obtain and review a report by the Fund's independent registered public accountants describing (i) the auditing firm's internal quality-control procedures; (ii) any material issues raised by the most recent internal quality-control review, or peer review, of the auditing firm, or by any inquiry or investigation by governmental or professional authorities, within the preceding five years, respecting one or more independent audits carried out by the auditing firm, and any steps taken to deal with any such issues; and (iii) (to assess the auditor's independence) all relationships between the independent registered public accountants and the Fund.

12. For each closed-end Fund, discuss policies with respect to risk assessment and risk management.
13. For each closed-end Fund, review hiring policies for employees or former employees of the Fund's independent registered public accountants.
14. For each closed-end Fund, discuss with management and the Fund's independent registered public accountants the Fund's audited and discuss with management the Fund's unaudited financial statements, including any narrative discussion by management concerning the Fund's financial condition and investment performance and, if appropriate, recommend the publication of the Fund's annual audited financial statements in the Fund's annual report in advance of the printing and publication of the annual report.
15. For each closed-end Fund, discuss the Fund's earnings press releases, as well as financial information and earnings guidance provided to analysts and rating agencies;
16. For each closed-end Fund, review and evaluate annually the performance of the Committee and the adequacy of this Charter and recommend any proposed changes to the Charter to the Board for approval.

The Committee shall have the resources and authority appropriate to discharge its responsibilities, including the authority to retain, as it deems necessary to carry out its duties, special counsel and other experts or consultants at the expense of the Fund. The Fund shall provide appropriate funding, as determined by the Committee, for the Committee to carry out its duties and its responsibilities, including (a) for compensation to be paid to, or services to be provided by, the Fund's independent registered public accountants or other public accounting firm providing audit, review or attest services for the Fund, (b) for payment of compensation to any outside legal, accounting or other advisors, counsel or consultants employed by the Committee and (c) for the ordinary administrative expenses of the Committee. In performing its duties, the Committee shall consult as it deems appropriate with the members of the Board, officers and employees of the Fund, the Adviser, the Fund's sub-adviser(s), if any, the Fund's counsel, counsel to the Independent Board Members and the Fund's other service providers.

#### **COMPOSITION**

The Committee shall be composed of each Board member who has been determined not to be an "interested person," as that term is defined in Section 2(a)(19) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended ("1940 Act"), of the Fund (the "Independent Board Members"), or such lesser number as the Board of the Fund may specifically determine and reflect in the Board's minutes, each of whom shall be financially literate and at least one of whom shall have accounting or related financial management expertise as determined by the Fund's Board in its business judgment. Each member of the Committee must also meet the independence and experience requirements as set forth in the New York Stock Exchange's Listed Company Manual or as set forth in the American Stock Exchange's listing standards, as applicable, and the independence requirements applicable to investment companies set forth in the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. For those Funds listed on the New York Stock Exchange, no member of the Committee may serve on the audit committees of more than three public companies, including the Funds, unless the Board determines that such simultaneous service would not impair the ability of such member to serve on the Committee effectively. The Committee shall elect a Chairperson, who shall preside over Committee meetings. The Chairperson shall serve for a term of three years, which term may be renewed from time to time.

## MEETINGS

The Committee shall meet on a regular basis, but not less frequently than twice a year. Special meetings may also be held upon reasonable notice to the members of the Committee. An agenda shall be established for each meeting. The Committee may request any officer or employee of the Fund, the Fund's counsel, counsel to the Independent Board Members, the Adviser, the Fund's independent registered public accountants or other interested persons to attend a meeting of the Committee or to meet with any members of, or consultants to, the Committee. The Committee will meet periodically with the Fund's independent registered public accountants outside the presence of the Fund's and the Adviser's officers and employees. The Committee will also meet periodically with the Fund's management outside the presence of the Fund's independent registered public accountants. Meetings of the Committee may be held in person, by telephone or by other appropriate means.

One-third of the Committee's members, but not fewer than two members, shall constitute a quorum. At any meeting of the Committee, the decision of a majority of the members present and voting shall be determinative as to any matter submitted to a vote.

## REPORTING

The Chairperson shall report regularly to the Board on the result of the Committee's deliberations and make such recommendations as deemed appropriate.

## LIMITS ON ROLE OF COMMITTEE

The function of the Committee is oversight. The Fund's management is responsible for (i) the preparation, presentation and integrity of the Fund's financial statements, (ii) the maintenance of appropriate accounting and financial reporting principles and policies and (iii) the maintenance of internal controls and procedures designed to assure compliance with accounting standards and applicable laws and regulations. The independent registered public accountants are responsible for planning and carrying out proper audits and reviews. In fulfilling their responsibilities hereunder, it is recognized that members of the Committee are not employees of the Fund. As such, it is not the duty or responsibility of the Committee or its members to conduct "field work" or other types of auditing or accounting reviews or procedures or to set auditor independence standards. Each member of the Committee shall be entitled to rely on (i) the integrity of those persons and organizations within and outside the Fund from which it receives information and (ii) the accuracy of the financial and other information provided to the Committee by such persons and organizations absent actual knowledge to the contrary (which shall be promptly reported to the Fund's Board) and (iii) statements made by the officers and employees of the Fund, the Adviser or other third parties as to any information technology, internal audit and other non-audit services provided by the independent registered public accountants to the Fund. The designation of a person as an "audit committee financial expert," within the meaning of the rules adopted and implemented under Section 407 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, shall not impose any greater responsibility or liability on that person than the responsibility and liability imposed on such person as a member of the Committee, nor does it decrease the duties and obligations of other Committee members or the Board.

In carrying out its responsibilities, the Committee's policies and procedures shall be adapted, as appropriate, in order to best react to a changing environment.

## AMENDMENTS

This Charter may be amended by a vote of a majority of the Board members.

APPENDIX A

*Amended as of February 10, 2010*

**LMP CAPITAL AND INCOME FUND INC. ("SCD")**

**LMP CORPORATE LOAN FUND INC. ("TLI")**

**LMP REAL ESTATE INCOME FUND INC. ("RIT")**

**WESTERN ASSET EMERGING MARKETS DEBT FUND INC. ("ESD")**

**WESTERN ASSET EMERGING MARKETS INCOME FUND INC. ("EMD")**

**WESTERN ASSET GLOBAL CORPORATE DEFINED OPPORTUNITY FUND INC. ("GDO")**

**WESTERN ASSET GLOBAL HIGH INCOME FUND INC. ("EHI")**

**WESTERN ASSET GLOBAL PARTNERS INCOME FUND INC. ("GDF")**

**WESTERN ASSET HIGH INCOME FUND INC. ("HIF")**

**WESTERN ASSET HIGH INCOME FUND II INC. ("HIX")**

**WESTERN ASSET HIGH INCOME OPPORTUNITY FUND INC. ("HIO")**

**WESTERN ASSET INFLATION MANAGEMENT FUND INC. ("IMF")**

**WESTERN ASSET INTERMEDIATE MUNI FUND INC. ("SBI")**

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**WESTERN ASSET MANAGED HIGH INCOME FUND INC. ("MHY")**

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**WESTERN ASSET MUNICIPAL PARTNERS FUND INC. ("MNP")**

**WESTERN ASSET VARIABLE RATE STRATEGIC FUND INC. ("GFY")**

**WESTERN ASSET WORLDWIDE INCOME FUND INC. ("SBW")**



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ANNEX B

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE CHARTER**

**Organization**

The Nominating Committee of each registered investment company listed on Appendix A hereto (each, a "Fund" and together, the "Funds") shall be composed solely of Directors who are not "interested persons" of the Fund as defined in Section 2(a)(19) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act") and, with respect to those Funds listed on the New York Stock Exchange, who are "independent" as defined in the New York Stock Exchange listing standards ("Independent Directors"). The Board of Directors of the Fund (the "Board") shall nominate the members of the Committee and shall designate the Chairperson of the Committee. The Chairperson shall preside at each meeting of the Committee.

**Responsibilities**

The Committee shall select and nominate persons for election or appointment by the Board as Directors of the Fund.

**Evaluation of Potential Nominees**

In evaluating a person as a potential nominee to serve as a Director of the Fund, the Committee should consider among other factors it may deem relevant:

whether or not the person is an "interested person" as defined in the 1940 Act and whether the person is otherwise qualified under applicable laws and regulations to serve as a Director of the Fund;

whether or not the person has any relationships that might impair his or her independence, such as any business, financial or family relationships with Fund management, the investment manager of the Fund, other Fund service providers or their affiliates;

whether or not the person serves on boards of, or is otherwise affiliated with, competing financial service organizations or their related mutual fund complexes;

whether or not the person is willing to serve, and willing and able to commit the time necessary for the performance of the duties of a Director of the Fund;

the contribution which the person can make to the Board and the Fund (or, if the person has previously served as a Director of the Fund, the contribution which the person made to the Board during his or her previous term of service), with consideration being given to the person's business and professional experience, education and such other factors as the Committee may consider relevant;

the character and integrity of the person; and

whether or not the selection and nomination of the person would be consistent with the requirements of the Fund's retirement policies.

While the Committee is solely responsible for the selection and nomination of Directors, the Committee may consider nominees recommended by Fund stockholders as it deems appropriate. Stockholders who wish to recommend a nominee should send nominations to the Secretary of the Fund that include all information

relating to such person that is required to be disclosed in solicitations of proxies for the election of Directors. The recommendation must be accompanied by a written consent of the individual to stand for election if nominated by the Board of Directors and to serve if elected by the stockholders.

**Quorum**

A majority of the members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and the act of a majority of the members of the Committee present at any meeting at which there is a quorum shall be the act of the Committee.

**Nomination of Directors**

After a determination by the Committee that a person should be selected and nominated as a Director of the Fund, the Committee shall present its recommendation to the Board for its consideration.

**Meetings**

The Committee may meet either on its own or in conjunction with meetings of the Board. Meetings of the Committee may be held in person, video conference or by conference telephone. The Committee may take action by unanimous written consent in lieu of a meeting.

Appendix A

As amended February 10, 2010

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**LMP CAPITAL AND INCOME FUND INC.**

**THIS PROXY IS SOLICITED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The undersigned hereby appoints R. Jay Gerken, Robert I. Frenkel, William J. Renahan, Michael Kocur and Barbara Allen and each of them, attorneys and proxies for the undersigned, with full power of substitution and revocation to represent the undersigned and to vote on behalf of the undersigned all shares of LMP Capital and Income Fund Inc. (the Fund ) which the undersigned is entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of the Fund to be held at Legg Mason, 620 Eighth Avenue, 49<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York on April 30, 2010, at 10:30 a.m., Eastern Standard Time and at any adjournments thereof (the Meeting ). The undersigned hereby acknowledges receipt of the Notice of Meeting and accompanying proxy statement and hereby instructs said attorneys and proxies to vote said shares as indicated hereon. In their discretion, the proxies are authorized to vote upon such other business as may properly come before the Meeting. A majority of the proxies present and acting at the Meeting in person or by substitute (or, if only one shall be so present, then that one) shall have and may exercise all of the power and authority of said proxies hereunder. The undersigned hereby revokes any proxy previously given.

**This proxy, if properly executed, will be voted in the manner directed by the stockholder. If no direction is made, this proxy will be voted FOR the election of the nominees as director.**

Please refer to the proxy statement for a discussion of the Proposals.

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**ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS OF**  
**LMP CAPITAL AND INCOME FUND INC.**

**April 30, 2010**

**NOTICE OF INTERNET AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIAL:**

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<b>The Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR the following proposal:</b>					
1. Election of Class II Directors to serve until the 2013 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.				Any other business that may properly come before the Meeting.	
		<b>NOMINEES:</b>			
<input type="radio"/>	<b>FOR ALL NOMINEES</b>	Leslie H. Gelb William R. Hutchinson	<b>Please Complete, Sign and Date hereon and Mail in Accompanying Postpaid Envelope.</b>		
<input type="radio"/>	<b>WITHHOLD AUTHORITY FOR ALL NOMINEES</b>	R. Jay Gerken			
<input type="radio"/>	<b>FOR ALL EXCEPT (See instructions below)</b>				
<b>INSTRUCTIONS:</b> withhold authority to vote for any individual nominee(s), mark <b>FOR ALL EXCEPT</b> and fill in the circle next to each nominee you wish to withhold, as shown here:					
To change the address on your account, please check the box at right and indicate your new address in the address space above. Please note that changes to the registered name(s) on the account may not be submitted via this method.		<input type="radio"/>	<b>Please check the box to the right if you will be attending the Meeting.</b> <input type="radio"/>		
Signature of Stockholder		Date:	Signature of Stockholder		Date:
<b>Note:</b> Please sign exactly as your name or names appear on this Proxy. When shares are held jointly, each holder should sign. When signing as executor, administrator, attorney, trustee or guardian, please give full title as such. If the signer is a corporation, please sign full corporate name by duly authorized officer, giving full title as such. If signer is a partnership, please sign in partnership name by authorized person.					