

EASTERN CO  
Form DEFA14A  
March 14, 2019

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549  
SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION  
Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
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The Eastern Company

(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

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Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for  
the Shareholder Meeting to Be Held on May 01, 2019

THE EASTERN COMPANY

Meeting Information

Meeting Type: Annual Meeting

For holders as of: March 01, 2019

Date: May 01, 2019 Time: 11:00 AM EST

Location: The Eastern Company

112 Bridge Street

Naugatuck, CT 06770-0460

THE EASTERN COMPANY  
112 BRIDGE STREET  
NAUGATUCK, CT 06770-0460

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

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 that are available to you on the Internet. You may view the proxy materials online at [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com) or easily request a paper copy (see reverse side).

We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting.

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
3. Form 10-K

How to View Online:

Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow **g XXXX XXXX XXXX XXXX** (located on the following page) and visit: [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com).

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How To Vote

Please Choose One of the Following Voting Methods

**Vote In Person:** Many shareholder 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](http://www.proxyvote.com). Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow **gXXXX XXXX XXXX XXXX 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 ALL the following:

1. Election of Directors

Nominees

01 Fredrick D. DiSanto    02 John W. Everets    03 Charles W. Henry    04 Michael A. McManus Jr.    05 James A. Mitarotonda  
06 Peggy B. Scottt    07 August M. Vlask

The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR proposals 2 and 3.

2. Advisory vote to approve the compensation of the named executive officers.

3. Ratify the appointment of the independent registered public accounting firm (Fiondella, Milone & LaSaracina LLP).

NOTE: Such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof. Note: A vote to withhold authority to vote for any nominee(s) is treated as a vote against the nominee(s).