

ANIKA THERAPEUTICS INC  
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Following its review of the recent ISS Proxy Advisory Services' analysis of the proposals to be submitted to stockholders at the Anika Therapeutics, Inc.'s (the "Company") 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, the Company's Board of Directors, on May 20, 2011, approved an amendment to the Anika Therapeutics, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 2003 Stock Option and Incentive Plan (the "Second Amended Plan") to reduce the proposed increase in the number of shares subject to the Second Amended Plan from 1,000,000 to 800,000, which will result in a total of 3,150,000 shares of common stock being reserved for issuance under the Second Amended Plan. The proposed 800,000 share increase will reduce the potential dilutive impact of the Second Amended Plan on other stockholders as compared to the originally proposed 1,000,000 share increase. The Second Amended Plan, as so amended and restated, remains subject to stockholder approval at the 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on Tuesday, June 7, 2011.