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# November 10, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. (Pacific Time)

Zanuck Theatre at Fox Studios

10201 West Pico Boulevard, Los Angeles, California 90035

Twenty-First Century Fox, Inc.

1211 Avenue of the Americas

New York, New York, 10036

(212) 852-7000

#### NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF

#### **STOCKHOLDERS**

To Be Held on November 10, 2016

Dear Stockholder:

The Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the Annual Meeting) of Twenty-First Century Fox, Inc. (the Company) will be held on November 10, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. (Pacific Time) at the Zanuck Theatre at Fox Studios, 10201 West Pico Boulevard, Los Angeles, California 90035.

A shuttle service will be available to take you to the Annual Meeting from Century Park West Parking Structure, 2030 Century Park West, Los Angeles, California 90067, where complimentary parking for the Annual Meeting will be provided. Parking will not be available at Fox Studios. Please see the map and instructions in Appendix A for parking information and other logistical details. We suggest arriving at least 45 minutes early to allow sufficient time to park, take the shuttle provided by the Company to the meeting site and complete the admission process. Registration will close ten minutes before the meeting begins. You will not be able to enter the Annual Meeting except by the shuttle service provided by the Company.

At the Annual Meeting, stockholders will be asked to:

elect the 13 Directors identified in this proxy statement to the Board of Directors;

ratify the selection of Ernst & Young LLP as the Company s independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017;

consider an advisory vote to approve executive compensation; and

consider any other business properly brought before the Annual Meeting and any adjournment or postponement thereof.

The foregoing items of business are more fully described in the Company s proxy statement. While all of the Company s stockholders are invited to attend the Annual Meeting, only stockholders of record of the Company s Class B Common Stock at the close of business on September 13, 2016 (the Record Date ) are entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the Annual Meeting and any adjournment or postponement thereof. Holders of the Company s Class A Common Stock are not entitled to vote on the matters to be presented at the Annual

Meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof.

# Important Information for Holders of Class B Common Stock

It is important that your shares of the Company s Class B Common Stock be represented and voted at the Annual Meeting. If you are a holder of shares of Class B Common Stock, you may submit a proxy for those shares by telephone or the Internet by following the instructions on the Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials, or if you requested a paper proxy card, you may submit your proxy by mail if you prefer. If you attend the Annual Meeting, you may vote your shares in person. Please review the instructions on the proxy card or the information forwarded by your broker, bank or other nominee regarding the voting instructions. You may vote your shares of Class B Common Stock in person even if you previously submitted a proxy. Please note, however, that if your shares of Class B Common Stock are held of record by a broker, bank or other nominee and you wish to vote in person at the Annual Meeting, you must obtain a proxy issued in your name from such broker, bank or other nominee. Whether or not you plan to attend the Annual Meeting, we urge you to submit a proxy for your shares of Class B Common Stock by telephone or the Internet or, if you requested a paper proxy card, by completing and returning the proxy card as promptly as possible prior to the Annual Meeting to ensure that your shares will be represented at the Annual Meeting if you are unable to attend.

If you are planning to attend the Annual Meeting in person, you will be asked to register before entering the Annual Meeting. You must request an admission ticket in advance and your request must be received by November 7, 2016. All attendees will be required to present the admission ticket and a government-issued photo identification (e.g., driver s license or passport) to enter the Annual Meeting. You may request an admission ticket by:

if you are a stockholder of record, visiting www.21cfannualmeeting.com/2016 and following the instructions provided;

sending an e-mail to the Corporate Secretary at 2016AnnualMeeting@21cf.com providing the name under which you hold shares of record or a properly executed proxy card, or evidence of your beneficial ownership as described below;

calling the Corporate Secretary at (212) 852-7000; or

sending a fax to the Corporate Secretary at (212) 852-7217 providing the name under which you hold shares of record or a properly executed proxy card, or evidence of your beneficial ownership as described below. If you are a stockholder of record, your ownership of the Company s common stock will be verified against the list of stockholders of record as of the Record Date prior to your being issued an admission ticket. If you are not a stockholder of record and hold your shares of common stock in street name, i.e., your shares of common stock are held in a brokerage account or by a bank or other nominee, you will need to send a request for an admission ticket either by e-mail or fax along with proof of beneficial ownership as of the Record Date, such as an account statement or letter from your broker, bank or nominee indicating that you were the beneficial owner of the shares on the Record Date. Requests for admission tickets will be processed in the order in which they are received and must be received by November 7, 2016.

Seating at the Annual Meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. (Pacific Time). Prior to entering the Annual Meeting, all bags will be subject to search and all persons may be subject to a metal detector and/or hand wand search. Cameras, recording devices and other electronic devices will not be permitted at the Annual Meeting. The security procedures may require additional time, so please plan accordingly. We suggest arriving at least 45 minutes early to the Annual Meeting. Registration will close ten minutes before the meeting begins. If you do not provide an admission ticket and government-issued photo identification or do not comply with the other registration and security procedures described above, you will not be admitted to the Annual Meeting. The Company reserves the right to remove persons from the Annual Meeting who disrupt the Annual Meeting or who do not comply with the rules and procedures for the conduct of the Annual Meeting.

The Annual Meeting will be audiocast live on the Internet at www.21cf.com.

In accordance with the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission, instead of mailing a printed copy of the Company s proxy statement, annual report and other materials (the proxy materials ) relating to the Annual Meeting to stockholders, the Company may furnish proxy materials to stockholders on the Internet by mailing a Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials (the Notice of Internet Availability ) to inform stockholders when the proxy materials are available on the Internet. If you receive the Notice of Internet Availability by mail, you will not receive a printed

copy of the proxy materials unless you specifically request one. Instead, the Notice of Internet Availability will instruct you on how you may access and review all of the Company s proxy materials and the Company s annual report, as well as how to submit your proxy, over the Internet. If you receive a Notice of Internet Availability and would still like to receive a printed copy of the Company s proxy materials, including a proxy card or voting instruction card, you should follow the instructions for requesting these materials included in the Notice of Internet Availability.

If you would like to register to receive materials relating to next year s annual meeting of stockholders electronically instead of by mail, please go to <a href="https://www.21cf.com/investor/ElectronicDelivery/">www.21cf.com/investor/ElectronicDelivery/</a> and follow the instructions to enroll. We highly recommend that you consider electronic delivery of these documents as it helps lower the Company s costs and reduce the amount of paper mailed to your home.

Laura A. Cleveland

Corporate Secretary

New York, New York

September 23, 2016

# YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT

REGARDLESS OF HOW MANY SHARES OF THE COMPANY S CLASS B COMMON STOCK YOU OWN AS OF THE RECORD DATE, PLEASE SUBMIT A PROXY FOR YOUR SHARES BY TELEPHONE OR INTERNET, OR IF YOU HAVE REQUESTED A PAPER PROXY CARD, BY COMPLETING, SIGNING AND DATING THE PROXY CARD AND RETURNING IT IN THE ENVELOPE PROVIDED, WHICH IS ADDRESSED FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE AND NEEDS NO POSTAGE IF MAILED IN THE UNITED STATES. IN ORDER TO AVOID THE ADDITIONAL EXPENSE TO THE COMPANY OF FURTHER SOLICITATION, THE COMPANY ASKS YOUR COOPERATION IN PROMPTLY SUBMITTING YOUR PROXY BY TELEPHONE, INTERNET OR PROXY CARD.

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# **Persons Making the Solicitation**

This proxy statement is furnished in connection with the solicitation by the Board of Directors (the Board ) of Twenty-First Century Fox, Inc. (the Company or 21st Century Fox ) of proxies for use at an Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the Annual Meeting ) to be held on November 10, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. (Pacific Time) at the Zanuck Theatre at Fox Studios, 10201 West Pico Boulevard, Los Angeles, California 90035 and at any adjournment or postponement thereof.

A shuttle service will be available to take you to the Annual Meeting from Century Park West Parking Structure, 2030 Century Park West, Los Angeles, California 90067, where complimentary parking for the Annual Meeting will be provided. Parking will not be available at Fox Studios. Please see the map and instructions in Appendix A for parking information and other logistical details. We suggest arriving at least 45 minutes early to allow sufficient time to park, take the shuttle provided by the Company to the meeting site and complete the admission process. Registration will close ten minutes before the meeting begins. You will not be able to enter the Annual Meeting except by the shuttle service provided by the Company.

This proxy statement is first being made available to stockholders on or about September 23, 2016. You are requested to submit your proxy in order to ensure that your shares are represented at the Annual Meeting.

The expense of soliciting proxies will be borne by the Company. Proxies will be solicited principally through the use of the mail, but Directors, officers and regular employees of the Company may solicit proxies personally, by telephone or special letter without any additional compensation. Also, the Company will reimburse banks, brokerage houses and other custodians, nominees and fiduciaries for any reasonable expenses in forwarding proxy materials to beneficial owners.

### **Outstanding Shares**

The Company has two classes of common stock, Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share ( Class A Common Stock ), and Class B Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share ( Class B Common Stock, and together with the Class A Common Stock, the Common Stock ). Holders of Class B Common Stock are entitled to one vote per share on all matters to be presented at the Annual Meeting. Holders of Class A Common Stock are not entitled to vote on the matters to be presented at the Annual Meeting. Unless the context dictates otherwise, all references to you, your, yours or other words of similar import in this proxy statement refer to holders of Class B Common Stock.

# **Record Date**

The Board has fixed the close of business on September 13, 2016 as the record date for determining which of the Company s stockholders are entitled to notice of and to vote at the Annual Meeting and any adjournment or postponement thereof in person or by proxy (the Record Date ). If the Annual Meeting is adjourned or postponed, notice of such adjournment or postponement will be provided to all stockholders of record entitled to vote at the

Annual Meeting in accordance with applicable law and the Company s Amended and Restated By-laws (the By-laws ).

**Holders of Class A Common Stock are not entitled to vote on the matters to be presented at the Annual Meeting.** As of the Record Date, there were 798,520,953 shares of Class B Common Stock outstanding and entitled to vote held by approximately 10,676 holders of record. Each share of Class B Common Stock held as of the Record Date is entitled to one vote per share on all matters to be presented at the Annual Meeting. A list of the stockholders of record entitled to vote as of the Record Date will be available at the Annual Meeting and at the Company s principal executive offices during the ten days prior to the Annual Meeting.

If your shares of Class A Common Stock or Class B Common Stock are registered directly in your name with our transfer agent, Computershare Trust Company, N.A., you are a stockholder of record, and these proxy materials are being sent directly to you from the Company. As the stockholder of record of Class B Common Stock as of the Record Date, you have the right to grant your voting proxy directly to the Company or to vote in person at the Annual Meeting.

If your shares of Class A Common Stock or Class B Common Stock are held in street name, meaning your shares of Class A Common Stock or Class B Common Stock are held in a brokerage account or by a bank or other nominee, you are the beneficial owner of these shares and these proxy materials are being forwarded to you by your broker, bank or nominee, who is considered the stockholder of record with respect to such shares. As the beneficial owner of Class B Common Stock as of the Record Date, you have the right to direct your broker, bank or nominee on how to vote and you will receive instructions from your broker, bank or other nominee describing how to vote your shares of Class B Common Stock. However, since you are not the stockholder of record, you may not vote these shares of Class B Common Stock in person at the Annual Meeting unless you obtain a signed proxy from the stockholder of record (i.e., your broker, bank or nominee) giving you the right to vote such shares.

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### **Internet Availability of Proxy Materials**

In accordance with the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC), instead of mailing a printed copy of the Company s proxy statement, annual report and other materials (the proxy materials) relating to the Annual Meeting to stockholders, the Company may furnish proxy materials to stockholders on the Internet by providing a Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials (the Notice of Internet Availability) to inform stockholders when the proxy materials are available on the Internet. If you receive the Notice of Internet Availability by mail, you will not receive a printed copy of the proxy materials unless you specifically request one. Instead, the Notice of Internet Availability will instruct you on how you may access and review all of the Company s proxy materials, as well as how to submit your proxy, over the Internet. If you receive a Notice of Internet Availability and would still like to receive a printed copy of the Company s proxy materials, including a proxy card or voting instruction card, you should follow the instructions for requesting these materials included in the Notice of Internet Availability.

The Company intends to commence distribution of the Notice of Internet Availability to stockholders on or about September 23, 2016.

The Company will first make available the proxy solicitation materials at *www.proxyvote.com* on or about September 23, 2016 to all stockholders entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting. You may also request a printed copy of the proxy solicitation materials by any of the following methods: via Internet at *www.proxyvote.com*; by telephone at 1-800-579-1639; or by sending an e-mail to sendmaterial@proxyvote.com. Our 2016 annual report to stockholders will be made available at the same time and by the same methods.

Only one copy of this proxy statement is being delivered to multiple stockholders sharing an address unless the stockholders have notified the Company of their desire to receive multiple copies of the proxy statement. The Company will promptly deliver, upon oral or written request, a separate copy of the proxy statement to any stockholder residing at a shared address to which only one copy was mailed. Requests for additional copies of the proxy statement for the current year or future years should be directed to the Corporate Secretary at 21st Century Fox, 1211 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10036. Alternatively, additional copies of this proxy statement may be requested via Internet at <a href="www.proxyvote.com">www.proxyvote.com</a>, by telephone at 1-800-579-1639, or by sending an email to sendmaterial@proxyvote.com. Stockholders of record residing at the same address and currently receiving multiple copies of the proxy statement may contact the Corporate Secretary to request that only a single copy of the proxy statement be mailed in the future.

#### **Voting and Submission of Proxies**

The persons named on the proxy card and on the Company s voting website at <a href="https://www.proxyvote.com">www.proxyvote.com</a> (the proxy holders) have been designated by the Board to vote the shares represented by proxy at the Annual Meeting. The proxy holders are officers of the Company. They will vote the shares represented by each valid and timely received proxy in accordance with the stockholder s instructions, or if no instructions are specified, the shares represented by the proxy will be voted FOR Proposals 1, 2 and 3 in accordance with the recommendations of the Board as described in this

proxy statement. If any other matter properly comes before the Annual Meeting, the proxy holders will vote on that matter in their discretion.

If you are a holder of Class B Common Stock, telephone and Internet proxy submission is available 24 hours a day through 11:59 p.m. (Eastern Time) on the day before the Annual Meeting date or the applicable cut-off date. If you are located in the United States or Canada and are a stockholder of record, you can submit a proxy for your shares by calling toll-free 1-800-690-6903. Whether you are a stockholder of record or a beneficial owner, you can also submit a proxy for your shares by Internet at www.proxyvote.com. Both the telephone and Internet systems have easy to follow instructions on how you may submit a proxy for your shares and allow you to confirm that the system has properly recorded your proxy. If you are submitting a proxy for your shares by telephone or Internet, you should have in hand when you call or access the website, as applicable, the Notice of Internet Availability or the proxy card or voting instruction card (for those holders who have received, by request, a hard copy of the proxy card or voting instruction card). If you submit a proxy by telephone or Internet, you do not need to return your proxy card to the Company. A telephone or Internet proxy must be received no later than 11:59 p.m. (Eastern Time) on the day before the Annual Meeting date or the applicable cut-off date.

If you have received, by request, a hard copy of the proxy card or voting instruction card, and wish to submit your proxy by mail, you must complete, sign and date the proxy card or voting instruction card and return it in the envelope provided so that it is received prior to the Annual Meeting.

While the Company encourages holders of Class B Common Stock to vote by proxy, you also have the option of voting your shares of Class B Common Stock in person at the Annual Meeting. If your shares of Class B Common Stock are registered directly in your name with the Company s transfer agent, you are considered the stockholder of record with respect to such shares of Class B Common Stock and you have the right to attend the Annual Meeting and vote in person, subject to

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compliance with the procedures described below. If your shares of Class B Common Stock are held in a brokerage account or by a bank or other nominee, you are the beneficial owner of such shares. As such, in order to attend the Annual Meeting or vote in person, you must obtain and provide when you request an admission ticket a properly executed proxy from the stockholder of record (i.e., your broker, bank or other nominee) giving you the right to vote the shares of Class B Common Stock.

# **Revocation of Proxies**

A proxy may be changed or revoked by a stockholder at any time prior to the voting at the Annual Meeting:

if you are a holder of record of Class B Common Stock, by notifying in writing our Corporate Secretary, Laura A. Cleveland, at 21st Century Fox, 1211 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10036;

by attending the Annual Meeting and voting in person (your attendance at the Annual Meeting will not by itself revoke your proxy);

by submitting a later-dated proxy card;

if you submitted a proxy by telephone or Internet, by submitting a subsequent proxy by telephone or Internet; or

if you have instructed a broker, bank or other nominee to vote your shares, by following the directions received from your broker, bank or other nominee to change those instructions.

# **Attending the Annual Meeting in Person**

While all of the Company s stockholders are invited to attend the Annual Meeting, only holders of Class B Common Stock are entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting. As discussed above, if your shares of Class B Common Stock are registered directly in your name with the Company s transfer agent, you are considered the stockholder of record with respect to such shares of Class B Common Stock and you have the right to attend the Annual Meeting and vote in person, subject to compliance with the procedures described below. If your shares of Class B Common Stock are held in a brokerage account or by a bank or other nominee, you are the beneficial owner of such shares. As such, in order to attend the Annual Meeting and vote in person, you must obtain and present at the time of admission a properly executed proxy from the stockholder of record giving you the right to vote the shares of Class B Common Stock.

If you are planning to attend the Annual Meeting in person, you will be asked to register prior to entering the Annual Meeting. You must request an admission ticket in advance and your request must be received by November 7, 2016. All attendees will be required to present the admission ticket and a government-issued photo identification (e.g., driver s license or passport) to enter the Annual Meeting. You may request an admission ticket by:

if you are a stockholder of record, visiting www.21cfannualmeeting.com/2016 and following the instructions provided;

sending an e-mail to the Corporate Secretary at 2016AnnualMeeting@21cf.com providing the name under which you hold shares of record or a properly executed proxy card, or evidence of your beneficial ownership as described below;

calling the Corporate Secretary at (212) 852-7000; or

sending a fax to the Corporate Secretary at (212) 852-7217 providing the name under which you hold shares of record or a properly executed proxy card, or evidence of your beneficial ownership as described below.

If you are a stockholder of record, your ownership of Common Stock will be verified against the list of stockholders of record as of the Record Date prior to being issued an admission ticket. If you are not a stockholder of record and hold your shares of Common Stock in street name, i.e., your shares of Common Stock are held in a brokerage account or by a bank or other nominee, you will need to send a request for an admission ticket either by e-mail or fax along with proof of beneficial ownership as of the Record Date, such as an account statement or letter from your broker, bank or nominee indicating that you were the beneficial owner of the shares on the Record Date, and a copy of the voting instruction card provided by your broker, bank or nominee, or similar evidence of ownership on the Record Date. Requests for admission tickets will be processed in the order in which they are received and must be received by November 7, 2016.

Seating at the Annual Meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. (Pacific Time). Prior to entering the Annual Meeting, all bags will be subject to search and all persons may be subject to a metal detector and/or hand wand search. Cameras, recording devices and other electronic devices will not be permitted at the Annual Meeting. The security procedures may require additional time, so please plan accordingly. We suggest arriving at least 45 minutes early to the Annual Meeting. Registration will close ten minutes before the meeting begins. **If you do not provide an admission ticket and government-issued photo** 

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identification or do not comply with the other registration and security procedures described above, you will not be admitted to the Annual Meeting. The Company reserves the right to remove persons from the Annual Meeting who disrupt the Annual Meeting or who do not comply with the rules and procedures for the conduct of the Annual Meeting.

If you require any special accommodations at the Annual Meeting due to a disability, please contact the Corporate Secretary at (212) 852-7000 or send an email to 2016AnnualMeeting@21cf.com and identify your specific need no later than November 7, 2016.

The Annual Meeting will be audiocast live on the Internet at www.21cf.com.

# **Required Vote**

Quorum. In order for the Company to conduct the Annual Meeting, the holders of a majority of the Class B Common Stock outstanding and entitled to vote as of the Record Date must be present in person or represented by proxy at the Annual Meeting. Abstentions and broker non-votes will be counted for purposes of establishing a quorum at the Annual Meeting. A broker non-vote occurs when you do not give your broker or nominee instructions on how to vote your shares of Class B Common Stock.

Whether or not you plan to attend the Annual Meeting, we urge you to vote your shares of Class B Common Stock by submitting your proxy by telephone or the Internet or, if you requested a hard copy of the proxy card or voting instruction card, by completing and returning the proxy card or voting instruction card as promptly as possible in the accompanying postage-paid envelope prior to the Annual Meeting to ensure that your shares of Class B Common Stock will be represented at the Annual Meeting if you are unable to attend and so that the Company will know as soon as possible that enough votes will be present for the Annual Meeting to be held.

Election of Directors. In an uncontested election, each Director shall be elected by a majority of the votes cast. This means that the number of votes cast FOR a Director's election exceeds the number of votes cast AGAINST that Director's election. A properly executed proxy marked ABSTAIN with respect to the election of one or more Directors or shares held by a broker for which voting instructions have not been given will not be counted as a vote cast either FOR or AGAINST with respect to the Director or Directors indicated. If you do not instruct your broker, bank or other nominee how to vote in the election of Directors, no votes will be cast on your behalf. In a contested election where the number of nominees for Director exceeds the number of Directors to be elected, each Director shall be elected by a plurality of the votes cast. The election of the 13 Director nominees at the Annual Meeting will be an uncontested election.

Ratification of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm. Ratification of the selection of Ernst & Young LLP as the Company s independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017 requires a majority of the votes cast at the Annual Meeting to be voted FOR the proposal. Abstentions and broker non-votes will have no effect on the outcome of the votes cast on this proposal.

Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation. We will consider this proposal to be approved, on an advisory basis, if a majority of the votes cast at the Annual Meeting is voted FOR the proposal. Abstentions and broker non-votes will not be counted as a vote cast either FOR or AGAINST executive compensation.

Other Items. Under the Company s By-laws and the NASDAQ Stock Market ( NASDAQ ) listing rules, approval of each other proposal to be voted upon at the Annual Meeting requires a majority of the votes cast at the Annual Meeting to be voted FOR the proposal. A properly executed proxy marked ABSTAIN with respect to any proposal and broker non-votes will not be counted as a vote cast FOR or AGAINST that proposal.

All shares of Class B Common Stock represented by properly executed proxies, which are submitted or returned and not revoked, will be voted in accordance with your instructions. If no instructions are provided in a properly executed proxy, the number of shares of Class B Common Stock represented by such proxy will be voted:

FOR the election of each of the Director nominees;

FOR the ratification of the selection of Ernst & Young LLP as the Company s independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017;

FOR , on an advisory basis, the approval of executive compensation; and

in accordance with the holder of the proxy s discretion as to any other matters raised at the Annual Meeting. A representative of American Election Services, LLC has been appointed to act as independent Inspector of Elections for the Annual Meeting and will tabulate the votes.

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#### PROXY SUMMARY

We provide below highlights of certain information contained elsewhere in this proxy statement. This summary does not contain all of the information you should consider before you decide how to vote. You should read the entire proxy statement carefully before voting.

### 2016 Business Highlights

The Company continued to grow its television and cable channel businesses through obtaining and increasing retransmission and affiliate compensation and to pursue wider distribution through emerging over-the-top products like Sling TV, which offers a multi-stream tier of FOX programming, our participation in Hulu s soon to be launched new live and on-demand service and the launch of live streaming of FOX primetime entertainment programming on a national basis on FOX NOW.

The FOX broadcast network continued its prime-time turnaround with successful seasons of *Empire* and the reboot of *The X*-Files, which were, respectively, the highest rated broadcast series and highest rated new series of the season as well as *Grease: Live* which was the highest rated scripted special of the season.

FOX Sports brand accounted for over 25% of all domestic sports television viewership through the expanded reach of its broadcast network and its national and regional sports channels.

Fox News Channel continued its dominance in the domestic cable news category by being the highest rated cable news network for the 58th consecutive quarter and achieved its highest level of total day viewership in the network s history.

The Company solidified one of its core brands through the expansion of its partnership with the National Geographic Society by combining its National Geographic television channels with National Geographic s publishing, travel and other media and consumer-oriented assets.

The Company s filmed entertainment business was successful in creating and growing new and existing film franchises such as *Deadpool*, while also bringing new compelling stories to the screen, including the highly successful *The Martian*.

Twentieth Century Fox Television production studio had three of the year s top four broadcast series in the 18 to 49-year-old adults demographic, including *Empire*, *The X-Files* and *Modern Family*, and the number one new comedy of the season, *Life in Pieces*.

The Company expanded its footprint in India through the acquisition of the broadcast business of MAA Television Network Limited (MAA TV), giving STAR India access to the Telugu TV market (the second largest regional market in India in terms of revenue potential) and through the launch of *hotstar*, a digital streaming platform, which has over 72 million downloads as of June 30, 2016.

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$3.0 billion.

The Company returned a significant amount of cash to stockholders through stock repurchases of approximately \$5.0 billion during fiscal 2016 and dividends of approximately \$586 million.

# **Executive Compensation Matters**

The Company seeks to closely align the interests of our named executive officers with the interests of the Company s stockholders. Several important features of our executive compensation program are:

The Company s executive compensation program is designed to attract, retain and motivate top executive talent, drive performance without encouraging unnecessary or excessive risk-taking and support both the short-term and long-term growth for stockholders.

Pay is based on performance. Approximately 85% of the Chief Executive Officer s and 79% of the other named executive officers fiscal 2016 target total direct compensation was at-risk and dependent upon performance, with most of the compensation subject to the achievement of short-term and long-term financial and business objectives and 100% of the long-term incentive awards to our named executive officers based on Company performance.

The Company s annual bonus and long-term incentive programs for its named executive officers rely on a number of diversified performance metrics. The annual bonus program bases a significant portion of each named executive officer s total compensation opportunity upon individual and group contributions and the achievement of target financial performance. The performance-based long-term incentive program relies on multiple pre-set, three-year financial performance metrics.

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The Compensation Committee approves in advance the framework for the annual bonus, including a determination at the beginning of the performance period of performance levels for the achievement of the financial performance metric upon which two-thirds of the annual bonus is based. These performance levels and corresponding payout opportunities as a percentage of the financial performance portion of the annual bonus were disclosed in the Company s proxy statement for the prior fiscal year.

The Company has strong governance policies related to executive compensation. The Compensation Committee is comprised entirely of independent Directors. In addition, the Company s compensation programs include risk mitigation features, such as Board and management discretion and oversight, a balance of annual and long-term incentives for senior executives, the use of multiple performance metrics, and recoupment provisions for named executive officers bonus compensation. The Compensation Committee annually oversees an assessment of risks related to compensation policies and practices.

The Compensation Committee maintains stock ownership guidelines which apply to the Company s named executive officers.

All equity awards granted to our named executive officers are performance-based and stock-settled.

The Company prohibits all Directors and employees, including our named executive officers, from engaging in short sales of the Company securities and investing in Company-based derivative securities. In addition, the Company prohibits all executive officers and directors from pledging any Company securities that they hold directly or unvested equity compensation.

The Compensation Discussion and Analysis begins on page 26 and the Fiscal 2016 Summary Compensation Table and other related tables and disclosure begins on page 42.

### **Leadership Transition**

Following the completion of a multi-year succession planning process by the Compensation Committee and the Board to ensure stable, long-term leadership for the Company, the Company announced a series of senior management changes which became effective July 1, 2015. Messrs. K.R. Murdoch and L.K. Murdoch serve as Executive Chairmen of the Board, and Mr. J.R. Murdoch serves as Chief Executive Officer of the Company and continues to serve as a Director of the Company. Mr. Carey served through June 30, 2016 as the Executive Vice Chairman of the Board and, beginning July 1, 2016, Mr. Carey became a consultant to the Company and continues to serve on the Board as Vice Chairman.

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# **Meeting Agenda Items**

# Proposal No. 1: Election of Directors

Stockholders are being asked to elect 13 Directors. Each of the current Directors is standing for re-election to hold office until the next annual meeting or until his or her successor is duly elected and qualified. All current Directors attended at least 75% of the regularly scheduled and special meetings of the Board held during the period for which he or she has been a Director and the meetings of the committees on which he or she served. The following table summarizes information about our Director Nominees. For detailed biographical information, please see page 9, Proposal No. 1.

Director				Committee Membership			berships
Director	Since		Occupation	Independent	A	C	NCG
K. Rupert Murdoch	1979		Executive Chairman,	-			
			21st Century Fox				
Lachlan K. Murdoch	1996		Executive Chairman,				
			21st Century Fox				
Delphine Arnault	2013		Executive Vice President,				
			Louis Vuitton Malletier				
James W. Breyer	2011		Founder and Chief				
			Executive Officer,			Chair	
			Breyer Capital				
Chase Carey	2009		Vice Chairman,				
			21st Century Fox				
			Chairman,				
			Formula One				
David F. DeVoe	1990		Senior Advisor,				
			21st Century Fox				
Viet Dinh	2004		Founding Partner,				Chair
			Bancroft PLLC				
Sir Roderick I. Eddington	1999	&					