

H&E Equipment Services, Inc.  
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Washington, D.C. 20549  
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**H&E EQUIPMENT SERVICES, INC.**

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**H&E Equipment Services, Inc.  
11100 Mead Road, Suite 200  
Baton Rouge, LA 70816  
NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING  
OF STOCKHOLDERS  
to be held on  
Tuesday, June 2, 2009**

Dear Stockholder,

The 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of H&E Equipment Services, Inc. will be held at the Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center Hotel, The Governor's Room, 201 Lafayette Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70801, on Tuesday, June 2, 2009, at 8:00 AM (Central Daylight time).

Proposals to be considered at the Annual Meeting:

- (1) to elect seven Directors to serve until the 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of the Company.
- (2) to ratify the appointment of BDO Seidman, LLP as the Company's Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for the year ending December 31, 2009

Management recommends a vote **FOR** : Items 1 and 2.

\*Stockholders are cordially invited to attend the Annual Meeting and vote in person.

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This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet.

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

If you would like to receive a paper or e-mail copy of these documents, ***you must request one***. There is no charge for such documents to be mailed to you. Please make your request for a copy as instructed below on or before May 26, 2009 to facilitate a timely delivery.

The following Proxy Materials are available to you to review at: <http://www.cstproxy.com/he-equipment/2009>

- the Company's Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 2008.
- the Company's 2009 Proxy Statement (including all attachments thereto).
- the Proxy Card.
- any amendments to the foregoing materials that are required to be furnished to stockholders.

**ACCESSING YOUR PROXY MATERIALS ONLINE**

**Have this notice available when you request a paper copy of the proxy materials or to vote your proxy electronically. You must reference your company ID, 9-digit proxy number and 10-digit account number.**

**REQUESTING A PAPER COPY OF THE PROXY MATERIALS**

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