

GARDNER DENVER INC  
Form DEFA14A  
March 17, 2010

SCHEDULE 14A  
(Rule 14a-101)  
INFORMATION REQUIRED IN PROXY STATEMENT  
SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION

Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Filed by Registrant

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Check the appropriate box:

Preliminary Proxy Statement

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Definitive Proxy Statement

Definitive Additional Materials

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GARDNER DENVER, INC.

(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

(Name of Person(s) Filing Proxy Statement, if other than the Registrant)

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**\*\*\* Exercise Your *Right to Vote* \*\*\***

**IMPORTANT NOTICE** Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials  
***GARDNER DENVER, INC.***

*GARDNER DENVER, INC.*  
*1800 GARDNER EXPRESSWAY*  
*QUINCY, IL 62305*

**Meeting Information**

**Meeting Type:** Annual Meeting  
**For holders as of:** March 05, 2010  
**Date:** May 04, 2010      **Time:** 1:30 PM CDT  
**Location:** Quincy Country Club  
2410 State Street  
Quincy, Illinois 62301

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.

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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

**How to View Online:**

Have the 12-Digit Control Number available (located on the following page) and visit: [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com).

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2) *BY TELEPHONE:*    1-800-579-1639  
3) *BY E-MAIL\*:*      [sendmaterial@proxyvote.com](mailto:sendmaterial@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 12 Digit Control Number 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 that you vote FOR the following:**

**1. Election of Directors**

**Nominees**

01 Frank J. Hansen

02 Diane K. Schumacher

03 Charles L. Szews

**The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following proposal(s):**

**2** To ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for 2010.

**3** To consider and vote upon the approval of the Company's Executive Annual Bonus Plan.

**The Board of Directors recommends you vote AGAINST the following proposal(s):**

**4** To consider and vote upon a stockholder proposal requesting that the Company amend its written equal employment opportunity policy to explicitly prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity and substantially implement the policy, if properly presented at the annual meeting.

**NOTE:** Such other business as may properly come before the annual meeting or any adjournments or postponements thereof.