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October 28, 2013

Dear Fellow Stockholders,

It is our pleasure to invite you to this year's Annual Meeting, which will be held on December 18, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. (US EST), at the Waltham Westin Hotel, Alcott Room, 70 Third Avenue, Waltham, Massachusetts 02451.

The proxy statement accompanying this letter describes the business that we will consider at the meeting and provides voting instructions. Your vote is important.

We hope that you are able to attend this year's Annual Meeting.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David J. Mazzo".

Dr. David J. Mazzo  
Chairman

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Ashton".

Dr. Paul Ashton  
President and Chief Executive Officer



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**NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING**  
**December 18, 2013**

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**Date:** Wednesday, December 18, 2013 (Waltham, Massachusetts)  
**Time:** 10:00 a.m. (US EST)  
**Place:** Waltham Westin Hotel, Alcott Room, 70 Third Avenue, Waltham, Massachusetts 02451

**Purpose of the Meeting**

The purpose of the meeting is to consider and act upon the following:

- election of six directors
- approval of stock option grant to the chief executive officer
- approval of stock option grants to the non-executive directors
- ratification of issuance of common stock in a July 2013 public offering
- advisory vote on executive compensation (the “say-on-pay” vote)
- advisory vote on the frequency of the say-on-pay vote
- ratification of appointment of the independent registered public accounting firm
- any other business properly brought before the meeting

**Who May Vote at the Meeting**

Stockholders of record at the close of business on October 21, 2013 (US EDT) are entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the 2013 Annual Meeting and any adjournments. A list of stockholders as of the record date will be available for stockholder inspection at the Annual Meeting and at our executive offices during normal business hours from December 5, 2013 to the date of the 2013 Annual Meeting.

Holders of record of CHESD Depository Interests at the close of business on October 21, 2013 (US EDT) also are entitled to notice of the 2013 Annual Meeting and any adjournments. Such holders may instruct CHESD Depository Nominees Pty Limited, the record holder of the common stock underlying the CHESD Depository Interests, to vote on their behalf in accordance with the voting procedures set forth in the proxy statement.

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By Order of the Board of Directors  
Lori Freedman  
Secretary

October 28, 2013  
Watertown, Massachusetts

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## PROXY STATEMENT

The Board of Directors of pSivida Corp. is soliciting your proxy for the 2013 Annual Meeting.

The record date for the Annual Meeting is October 21, 2013 (US EDT). Each stockholder of record at the close of business on the record date is entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the Annual Meeting and any adjournments. Each of the 26,963,136 shares of common stock outstanding on the record date is entitled to one vote. The presence in person or by proxy of one third of the shares of common stock outstanding is required for a quorum for the meeting.

Each holder of record of CHESSE Depository Interests (CDIs) at the close of business on the record date also is entitled to notice of the Annual Meeting and any adjournments, and may instruct CHESSE Depository Nominees Pty Limited (CDN), the record holder of the common stock underlying our CDIs, to vote on its behalf by following the instructions set forth below. Each CDI represents one share of our common stock.

This proxy statement and the accompanying proxy card were first mailed to stockholders on or about the date of the notice of meeting. Throughout this proxy statement, references to "\$" are to U.S. dollars and references to "we", "pSivida" and the "Company" refer to pSivida Corp.

**Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting to be Held on December 18, 2013: This proxy statement and the Annual Report for our fiscal year ended June 30, 2013 are available on the following websites: [www.edocumentview.com/PSDV](http://www.edocumentview.com/PSDV) for street holders and [www.envisionreports.com/PSDV](http://www.envisionreports.com/PSDV) for registered holders.**

## VOTING INSTRUCTIONS

### Voting Process for Stockholders

Stockholders may vote their shares by proxy in any of the following three ways:

- By Internet: You may vote by Internet 24 hours a day through 1:00 a.m., December 18, 2013 (US EST) by following the instructions that are included on your enclosed proxy card. If you vote by Internet, you do not need to return your proxy card.
- By Telephone: You may vote by telephone 24 hours a day through 1:00 a.m., December 18, 2013 (US EST) by following the instructions that are included on your enclosed proxy card. If you vote by telephone, you do not need to return your proxy card.
- By Mail: You may vote by signing and returning the enclosed proxy card as indicated.

You may revoke your proxy at any time before it is voted by properly executing and delivering a later-dated proxy card, by later voting by Internet or telephone, by delivering a written revocation to the Company Secretary or by attending the Annual Meeting, requesting a return of your proxy and voting in person.

Although we encourage stockholders to vote by Internet, telephone or mail, whether or not they attend the Annual Meeting, stockholders also may vote by attending, and voting in person at, the Annual Meeting.

### Voting Process for CDI Holders

CDI holders may vote the shares underlying their CDIs only by their written instructions to CDN. CDI holders should complete, sign and return the CDI Voting Instruction Form.

Computershare will collect and process voting instructions from CDI holders. Computershare must receive the CDI Voting Instruction Form, completed and returned in accordance with the instructions provided on the form, by no later than 1:00 p.m. December 16, 2013 (AWST).

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A CDI holder may revoke a CDI Voting Instruction Form by delivering to Computershare, no later than 1:00 p.m. December 16, 2013 (AWST), a new CDI Voting Instruction Form or a written notice of revocation, in either case bearing a later date than the CDI Voting Instruction Form previously sent.

CDI holders may attend the Annual Meeting, but cannot vote in person at the Annual Meeting.

## PROPOSAL 1: ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The individuals listed below have been nominated and are standing for election at the Annual Meeting. Each nominee, if elected, will hold office until our 2014 Annual Meeting and his successor is duly elected and qualified, or until he sooner dies, resigns, is removed or becomes disqualified. Each nominee is a current director elected by our stockholders. We do not anticipate that any nominee will become unavailable to serve.

**The Board recommends that you vote FOR the election of each of the nominees as directors.**

**David J. Mazzo, 56**

Director since 2005, Chairman of the Board and Chairman of the Compensation Committee

Dr. Mazzo has been the President and Chief Executive Officer, and a director, of Regado Biosciences, Inc., a company pioneering the development of antithrombotic aptamers with active control agents, since August 2008. From April 2007 to April 2008, Dr. Mazzo served as the President and Chief Executive Officer, and as a director, of AEterna Zentaris, Inc., a biopharmaceutical company. From April 2003 to March 2007, Dr. Mazzo served as President and Chief Executive Officer, and a director of Chugai Pharma USA, the U.S. affiliate of Chugai, a Japanese pharmaceutical company and a member of the Roche Group. Dr. Mazzo previously held management positions in several international pharmaceutical companies, including serving as Senior Vice President, Global Development Operations at the Schering-Plough Research Institute and as Senior Vice President and Global Head Pharmaceutical Development at Hoechst Marion Roussel. In addition to Regado Biosciences, Dr. Mazzo is also a director of another public company, AVANIR Pharmaceuticals. Dr. Mazzo's extensive experience as an executive officer and director in the life sciences industry, his understanding of the strategic and regulatory environment in which pSivida conducts its business, his lengthy track record in global product development, his PhD in analytical chemistry and his broad scientific and managerial background provide him expertise in the oversight of companies in this sector and the ability to guide such companies through varying operating climates.

**Paul Ashton, 52**

Director since 2005, President and Chief Executive Officer

Dr. Ashton has been our President and Chief Executive Officer since January 2009, our Managing Director from January 2007 to January 2009 and our Executive Director of Strategy from December 2005 to January 2007. From 1996 until its acquisition by pSivida in December 2005, Dr. Ashton was the President and Chief Executive Officer of Control Delivery Systems, Inc. (CDS), a drug delivery company that he co-founded in 1991 and that developed our Durasert™ technology system. Dr. Ashton previously was a joint faculty member in the Departments of Ophthalmology and Surgery at the University of Kentucky, served on the faculty of Tufts University and worked as a pharmaceutical scientist at Hoffman-La-Roche. Dr. Ashton's long history of leadership and strategic oversight of pSivida and CDS, his role in developing and extensive knowledge of our core technology platforms, products and product candidates, his scientific expertise including his PhD in pharmaceuticals and strong knowledge of research and development uniquely position him to lead pSivida in the execution of its long-term strategy.

**Paul A. Hopper, 57**

Director since 2008, Chairman of the Governance and Nominating Committee and member of the Audit and Compliance Committee

Mr. Hopper has served as managing director of Cappello Group, Inc., an investment bank, since November 2005, where he is head of the Life Science/Biotech Group and the Australia Desk. Mr. Hopper served as Executive Chairman of Cell Aquaculture Limited, an aquaculture company, from August 2007 to March 2008, as Executive Chairman of Bone Medical Limited, a drug delivery company, from July 2005 to July 2007 and as Managing Director of Australian Cancer Technology Limited, an oncology biotechnology company from September 2003 to February 2005. Mr. Hopper is also a director of Imugene Ltd. During the past 5 years Mr. Hopper was a director of Viralytics Limited, Somnomed Limited, Isona Limited and Fibrocell Science Inc. Mr. Hopper's over 20 years of experience in international public company markets with sector experience including life sciences,

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biotechnology, financial services, nutraceuticals, specialty retail, mining, telecommunications, medical & healthcare services and e-commerce, and his focus on start-up and rapid growth companies, both in the U.S. and abroad, provide him with a global perspective on capital markets and financing, and his experience as a director of public companies gives him broad knowledge with respect to corporate governance issues.

### **Michael Rogers, 53**

Director since 2005, Chairman of the Audit and Compliance Committee and member of the Compensation Committee and the Governance and Nominating Committee

Mr. Rogers has been the Chief Financial Officer of Acorda Therapeutics, Inc., a biotechnology company focused on neurological conditions, since October 2013. From June 2009 to October 2012, Mr. Rogers served as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of BG Medicine, Inc., a company focused on the development and commercialization of novel biomarker-based diagnostics. Mr. Rogers was Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of Indevus Pharmaceuticals Inc., a specialty pharmaceutical company, from February 1999 until April 2009. Mr. Rogers was previously Executive Vice President and Chief Financial and Corporate Development Officer at Advanced Health Corporation, a health care information technology company, Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of AutoImmune, Inc., a biopharmaceutical company, and Vice President, Investment Banking at Lehman Brothers, Inc. and at PaineWebber, Inc. Mr. Rogers is also a director of Coronado Biosciences, Inc. Mr. Rogers' significant experience as CFO of various companies and as an investment banker have provided him with expertise in strategic transactions, corporate operations, financial management, taxes, accounting, controls, finance and financial reporting in the life sciences industry as well as valuable insight into the strategy of pSivida.

### **Peter G. Savas, 65**

Director since 2008, member of the Audit and Compliance Committee, the Compensation Committee and the Governance and Nominating Committee

Mr. Savas is Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Alseres Pharmaceuticals, Inc., a company focused on the development of diagnostic and therapeutic products for disorders in the central nervous system, a position that he has held since September 2004. Mr. Savas has also been the Chief Executive Officer of StemBioSys, a stem cell therapeutics company, since September, 2013, Chairman of ANDI neuro-diagnostic services since July, 2012, a strategic partner of SV Life Sciences Funds III, IV and V since 2003 and an associate partner in Targeted Technologies Fund II since August, 2013. From September 2000 to March 2004, Mr. Savas served as Chief Executive Officer and President and, from April 2001 to March 2004, as Chairman, of Aderis Pharmaceuticals, Inc., a biopharmaceuticals company. From 1992 to 2000, Mr. Savas served as President of Unisyn, Inc., a contract manufacturer of biologics, and as Chief Executive Officer from 1995 to 2000. Mr. Savas is the Managing Partner of Tughill Partners, a life sciences consulting firm, and serves on advisory boards for Children's Hospital Boston and Syracuse University. During the past 5 years, Mr. Savas was a director of Regenesys Biosciences. Mr. Savas' significant experience leading life sciences companies focused on the development of new products brings valuable insight to the strategy, operations and management of pSivida.

### **Douglas Godshall, 48**

Director since 2012, member of the Compensation Committee and the Governance and Nominating Committee

Mr. Godshall has been the Chief Executive Officer and a director of HeartWare International, Inc. and its predecessor HeartWare Limited, a medical device company focused on heart failure, since September 2006. Prior to joining HeartWare Limited, Mr. Godshall served in various executive and managerial positions at Boston Scientific Corporation, where he had been employed since 1990, including as a member of Boston Scientific's Operating Committee. From January 2005 he served as President, Vascular Surgery, and for the prior five years as Vice President, Business Development, focused on acquisition strategies for the cardiology, electrophysiology, neuroradiology and vascular surgery divisions. Mr. Godshall has a Bachelor of Arts in Business from Lafayette College and Masters of Business Administration from Northeastern University. Mr. Godshall's current CEO position and prior managerial experience at public, life sciences companies provide him insights as a successful life sciences entrepreneur with in-depth knowledge of medical product strategy and development.



## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### Board Committees

The Board has three standing committees: the Audit and Compliance Committee, the Compensation Committee and the Governance and Nominating Committee. Each standing committee is comprised entirely of independent directors, and each standing committee has a written charter. While each committee has designated responsibilities, the committees act on behalf of the entire Board and regularly report on their activities to the entire Board. Details concerning the role and structure of the Board and each Board committee are contained in the Corporate Governance Guidelines and the committee charters, available on the “Investor” section of our website at [www.psvida.com](http://www.psvida.com) under “Corporate Governance”.

#### *Audit and Compliance Committee*

The Audit and Compliance Committee is responsible for appointing the independent registered public accounting firm and for assisting the Board in oversight of the Company’s financial reporting, audit, legal and regulatory compliance processes. More specifically, the Audit and Compliance Committee’s responsibilities include:

- appointing, overseeing and, if necessary replacing the independent registered public accounting firm, including evaluating the effectiveness and independence of the firm at least annually, approving or pre-approving all audit and non-audit services provided by the firm and establishing hiring policies for employees or former employees of the firm, and also including resolving any disagreements between management and the firm regarding financial reporting;
- reviewing with the independent registered public accounting firm the scope of, plans for and any difficulties with audits, and the adequacy of staffing and compensation;
- reviewing with the independent registered public accounting firm matters required to be communicated to audit committees in accordance with PCAOB AU Section 380, Communications With Audit Committees, as amended;
- reviewing with management and the independent registered public accounting firm the Company’s internal controls, financial and critical accounting policies (including effects of alternate GAAP methods and off-balance sheet structures, if any), risk assessment and management policies;
- reviewing with management and the independent registered public accounting firm the Company’s annual and quarterly financial statements and financial disclosure, and preparing the Audit and Compliance Committee report for inclusion in the Company’s annual proxy statement;
- reviewing, or establishing standards for, the substance and presentation of information included in earnings press releases and other earnings guidance;
- reviewing material pending legal proceedings and other contingent liabilities;
- implementing an appropriate control process for reviewing and approving the Company’s internal transactions and accounting;
- establishing procedures for receipt, retention and treatment of complaints, including the confidential and anonymous submission of concerns by employees regarding accounting, internal accounting controls or auditing matters;
- receiving from management a report of any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of the Company’s internal controls, and any fraud involving management or other employees who have a significant role in the Company’s internal controls;
- presenting to the Board annually an evaluation of the Audit and Compliance Committee’s performance and charter; and

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- performing such other activities as the Board or the Audit and Compliance Committee deem appropriate.

The members of the Audit and Compliance Committee are Mr. Rogers (chair), Mr. Hopper and Mr. Savas, each of whom was a member of the Audit and Compliance Committee for the entirety of fiscal 2013.

The Board has determined that all current and fiscal year 2013 members of the Audit and Compliance Committee are independent for purposes of service on the Audit and Compliance Committee as provided in the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), The NASDAQ Stock Exchange (NASDAQ) and the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX). The Board also has determined that Mr. Rogers, Mr. Hopper and Mr. Savas are audit committee financial experts.

The Audit and Compliance Committee met four times during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013.

### *Compensation Committee*

The Compensation Committee is responsible for discharging the Board's responsibilities relating to executive compensation and overseeing our compensation and employee benefits plans and practices. More specifically, the Compensation Committee's responsibilities include:

- developing and periodically reviewing compensation policies and practices applicable to executive officers;
- determining and approving the compensation of the CEO and other executive officers;
- supervising, administering and evaluating incentive, equity-based and other compensatory plans of the Company in which executive officers and key employees participate, including approving guidelines and size of grants and awards, making grants and awards, interpreting and promulgating rules relating to the plans, modifying or canceling grants or awards, designating employees eligible to participate and imposing limitations and conditions on grants or awards;
- reviewing and approving, subject to stockholder approval as required by any applicable law, regulation or NASDAQ rule, the creation or amendment of any incentive, equity-based and other compensatory plans of the Company in which executive officers and key employees participate (other than amendments to tax-qualified employee benefit plans and trusts, and any supplemental plans thereunder, that do not substantially alter the costs of such plans to the Company or are to conform such plans to applicable laws or regulations) and all related policies and programs;
- reviewing and approving any employment agreements, severance arrangements, change-in-control arrangements or special or supplemental employee benefits, and any material amendments to any of the foregoing, applicable to executive officers and other employees of the Company;
- making individual determinations and granting any shares, stock options or other equity-based awards under all equity-based compensation plans that are outside approved guidelines for such grants, and exercising such power and authority as may be required or permitted under such plans;
- annually evaluating the performance of the Compensation Committee;
- annually reviewing and reassessing the charter of the Compensation Committee and, if appropriate, recommending changes to the Board;
- annually evaluating the adequacy of directors' compensation and the composition of such compensation;
- reviewing the Compensation Discussion & Analysis to be included in the Company's annual proxy statement or Annual Report on Form 10-K and issuing a Compensation Committee report thereon as required by the SEC to be included in the Company's annual proxy statement or annual report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC;

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- reviewing significant risks or exposures facing the Company and discussing the relationship, if any, between these risks and the Company's compensation policies and practices, as well as appropriate means through compensation policy to mitigate these risks; and
- performing such other duties and responsibilities as may be assigned to the Compensation Committee by the Board or as designated in plan documents.

The members of the Compensation Committee are Dr. Mazzo (chair), Mr. Rogers, Mr. Savas and Mr. Godshall, each of whom was a member of the Compensation Committee for the entirety of fiscal 2013.

The Compensation Committee met five times during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013.

### *Governance and Nominating Committee*

The Governance and Nominating Committee is responsible for identifying and recommending to the Board individuals qualified to serve as directors, advising the Board with respect to the Board composition and procedures, overseeing the evaluation of the Board and overseeing our corporate governance.

The members of the Governance and Nominating Committee are Mr. Hopper (chair), Mr. Rogers, Mr. Savas and Mr. Godshall, each of whom was a member of the Governance and Nominating Committee for the entirety of fiscal 2013.

The Governance and Nominating Committee met four times during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013.

### **Attendance at Board and Committee Meetings**

The Board of Directors met eight times during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013. Each of the directors standing for election attended at least 75% of the meetings of the Board and the committees on which he served. In accordance with our policy that encourages each director to attend Annual Meetings, each of the directors also attended our 2012 Annual Meeting.

## CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

### Director Independence

The Board, based on the recommendation of the Governance and Nominating Committee, has determined that Dr. Mazzo, Mr. Godshall, Mr. Hopper, Mr. Rogers and Mr. Savas are independent under applicable standards of NASDAQ and ASX. Our other director, Dr. Ashton, serves as our President and Chief Executive Officer.

### Board Leadership Structure

The Board has chosen to separate the roles of Chairman and Chief Executive Officer and believes that such a separation of roles is in the best interests of the Company and its stockholders. Dr. Mazzo's extensive qualifications to serve as a director and the perspective that he brings to the Company as an independent director are designed to provide for effective leadership for the Board and support for our executive team. Dr. Ashton's long history with the Company and familiarity with its products and product candidates make him best positioned to lead us in the execution of our strategy and in the daily management of our business.

### Board's Role in Risk Oversight

It is management's responsibility to manage risk and bring to the Board's attention risks that are material to the Company. The Board has oversight responsibility for the systems established to report and monitor the most significant risks applicable to the Company. The Board administers its risk oversight role directly and through its committee structure. The Board reviews strategic and financial risks and exposures associated with the Company's long-term strategy, development and commercialization of products and product candidates and other matters that may present material risk to the Company's operations, strategy and prospects. The Audit and Compliance Committee reviews risks associated with financial and accounting matters, including financial reporting, accounting, disclosure and internal controls over financial reporting. The Compensation Committee reviews risks related to executive compensation and the design of compensation programs, plans and arrangements. The Governance and Nominating Committee manages risks associated with corporate governance and Board composition and procedures.

### Transactions with Related Persons

We maintain a written "Policy Regarding Related Person Transactions". Under this policy, the Audit and Compliance Committee or, in time sensitive instances, the chair of the Audit and Compliance Committee, has responsibility for reviewing and approving or ratifying any transaction in which we and any of our directors, director nominees, executive officers or 5% stockholders and their immediate family members are participants, or in which such persons have a direct or indirect material interest, as provided under SEC rules. In reviewing transactions, the committee or the chair considers all of the relevant facts and circumstances, and approves only those transactions that the committee or the chair in good faith determines to be in, or not inconsistent with, the best interests of pSivida and its stockholders. During fiscal 2013, there were no such related-person transactions.

### Communications with Directors

Stockholders and other interested parties may communicate directly with the Board, the independent directors, the Chairman of the Board, any other group of directors or any individual director by writing to such group or individual at the following address:

Name(s) of Director(s), Group of Directors or Board of Directors  
c/o Company Secretary  
pSivida Corp.  
400 Pleasant Street  
Watertown, MA 02472  
United States

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The Company Secretary will forward such communications to the relevant group or individual at or prior to the next meeting of the Board.

### **Stockholder Nominations for Director**

The Governance and Nominating Committee will consider written stockholder recommendations for candidates for the Board, which recommendations should be delivered or mailed, postage prepaid, to:

Company Secretary  
pSivida Corp.  
400 Pleasant Street  
Watertown, MA 02472  
United States

Stockholder recommendations must include certain relevant information concerning the candidate, the stockholder making the recommendation and any beneficial owner on whose behalf the recommendation is made. The required information is set forth in our Stockholder Nomination Policy, available on the “Investor” section of our website at [www.psivida.com](http://www.psivida.com) under “Corporate Governance”.

The Governance and Nominating Committee will evaluate candidates for director who are recommended by stockholders on the same basis as candidates recommended by other sources. Considerations include the Governance and Nominating Committee’s discretionary assessment of the skills represented and required on the Board, and an evaluation of candidates against the standards and qualifications set forth in our Corporate Governance Guidelines and criteria approved by the Board from time to time. We do not have a formal policy with respect to diversity, although we seek to have a Board that reflects a range of talents, ages, skills, viewpoints, professional experience, educational background, expertise, gender, race and ethnicity. The Governance and Nominating Committee will determine whether to interview any candidate in its sole discretion.

### **Audit and Compliance Committee Report**

The Audit and Compliance Committee reviews pSivida’s financial reporting process on behalf of the Board. Management has the primary responsibility for establishing and maintaining adequate internal controls over financial reporting, for preparing the financial statements and for the public reporting process. Deloitte & Touche LLP (Deloitte), pSivida’s independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013, is responsible for expressing an opinion on the conformity of pSivida’s audited financial statements with accounting principles generally accepted in the U.S.

In this context, the committee has reviewed and discussed with management and Deloitte the audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013. The committee has discussed with Deloitte the matters that are required to be discussed under Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (PCAOB) standards. Deloitte has provided to the committee the written disclosures and the letter required by applicable requirements of the PCAOB regarding the independent accountant’s communications with the committee concerning independence, and the committee has discussed with Deloitte that firm’s independence. The committee has concluded that Deloitte’s provision of audit and non-audit services to pSivida is compatible with Deloitte’s independence.

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Based upon the review and discussions referred to above, the committee recommended to the Board that the audited consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013 be included in pSivida's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013 for filing with the SEC.

Submitted by  
Audit and Compliance Committee

Michael Rogers  
Paul A. Hopper  
Peter G. Savas

### Beneficial Ownership

The tables below set forth information regarding beneficial ownership of our shares of common stock as of September 30, 2013 by (1) any person or entity who, to our knowledge, beneficially owns 5% or more of our shares of common stock based on filings with the SEC and (2) our directors and named executive officers. Unless otherwise indicated, the address for each of the beneficial owners listed below is: c/o pSivida Corp., 400 Pleasant Street, Watertown, MA 02472, United States.

<u>Beneficial Owner</u>	<u>Aggregate Number of Shares Beneficially Owned<sup>(1)</sup></u>	<u>Percent of Shares Beneficially Owned</u>
<b>5% or Greater Beneficial Owner:</b>		
Allan Gray Australia Pty Limited Level 2, Challis House 4-10 Martin Place Sydney, Australia NSW 2000	2,559,966	9.43%
Pfizer, Inc. Treasurer's Division 235 East 42nd Street New York, NY 10017 USA	1,862,093	6.95%
<b>Directors and Executive Officers:</b>		
David J. Mazzo	300,500	1.11%
Paul A. Hopper	190,000 <sup>(3)</sup>	*
Michael Rogers	220,000	*
Peter G. Savas	180,000	*
Douglas Godshall	30,000	*
Paul Ashton	1,211,557 <sup>(2)</sup>	4.40%
Lori Freedman	377,166	1.39%
Leonard S. Ross	126,350	*
<b>All current directors and executive officers as a group (8 persons)</b>	<b>2,635,573</b>	<b>9.13%</b>

\* Represents holdings of less than 1% of our outstanding common stock

- (1) Reflects sole voting and investment power, except as indicated below. Includes shares of common stock that each of the following persons had the right to acquire on September 30, 2013, or within sixty (60) days thereafter through the exercise of options and/or warrants: Allan Gray Australia Pty Limited (350,000), Dr. Mazzo (300,000), Mr. Hopper (180,000), Mr. Rogers (220,000), Mr. Savas (180,000), Mr. Godshall (30,000), Dr. Ashton (754,035), Ms. Freedman (280,743) and Mr. Ross (126,350).

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- (2) Of such shares, 16,781 are held by the trustee of the Dr. Ashton Children's Irrevocable Trust as to which Dr. Ashton disclaims beneficial ownership.
- (3) Of such shares, 10,000 shares are held by Kilinwata Investments Pty Limited, a private Australian company, of which Mr. Hopper and his spouse are the sole stockholders and Directors. Mr. Hopper disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

**Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance**

Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act requires that our directors, officers and 10% beneficial owners file reports of ownership and changes in ownership of our securities with the SEC and NASDAQ. To our knowledge, all reports were timely filed during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013.

## EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

### Compensation Committee Report

The Compensation Committee has reviewed the “Compensation Discussion and Analysis” below and discussed it with management. Based on this review and discussion, the Compensation Committee recommended to the Board that the “Compensation Discussion and Analysis” as it appears below be included in this proxy statement and be incorporated by reference into the Company’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013.

Submitted By  
Compensation Committee

David J. Mazzo  
Michael Rogers  
Peter G. Savas  
Douglas Godshall

### Compensation Discussion and Analysis

In the following compensation discussion and analysis, we provide below highlights of our performance for fiscal 2013, an overview of our compensation philosophy, program and decision-making process, including the Compensation Committee’s use of consultants and peer group information, and the material elements of compensation earned with respect to fiscal 2013 by each of our Named Executive Officers. For Fiscal 2013, our Named Executive Officers were Paul Ashton, President and Chief Executive Officer, Lori Freedman, Vice President, Corporate Affairs, General Counsel and Secretary, and Leonard Ross, Vice President, Finance.

#### *Fiscal 2013 Highlights*

In Fiscal 2013, we believe we made significant progress on implementing our strategy of becoming a product-based company while continuing to leverage our technologies via collaboration and license agreements. For context to the Compensation Committee’s decisions on compensation, these are highlights of our business performance and accomplishments for fiscal 2013 considered significant by the Compensation Committee:

- We initiated the first of two pivotal Phase III clinical trials for our lead development product, Medidur™ for posterior uveitis. This product uses the same injectable, sustained release micro-insert used in ILUVIEN® which delivers the same drug as delivered by our FDA-approved Retisert® for posterior uveitis. We received positive interim data from an investigator-sponsored Phase I/II study, which, although early and not definitive, were consistent with our hypothesis that Medidur should have an efficacy profile comparable to our FDA-approved Retisert for posterior uveitis with a superior side-effect profile consistent with ILUVIEN.
- ILUVIEN for diabetic macular edema (DME) is commercially available in the EU. Following marketing approval in six EU countries for the treatment of chronic DME insufficiently responsive to available therapies, ILUVIEN launched in Germany and the U.K. in late fiscal 2013, and is expected to launch in France in fiscal 2014.
- The U.K.’s National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) issued draft guidance recommending ILUVIEN for the treatment of pseudophakic (those who have undergone cataract surgery) chronic DME patients. This guidance is expected to substantially broaden access to ILUVIEN for DME in the U.K. as the pseudophakic population is a large subgroup of the chronic DME population.
- The New Drug Application (NDA) for ILUVIEN for DME was resubmitted to the FDA with a resulting new Prescription Drug User Fee Act (PDUFA) goal date of October 17, 2013.



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- We entered into new Technology Evaluation Agreements and continued work under existing agreements with leading global pharmaceutical companies and others, studying our technology platforms for a number of new and potentially significant applications.
- Through our pre-clinical research and development program, we continued to advance our Tethadur™ technology, a BioSilicon™ system for the sustained delivery of peptides, proteins and antibodies. There is currently no approved sustained delivery technology available for these types of large biologic molecules.
- We completed an underwritten public offering of our common stock shortly after the end of the fiscal year, raising \$10.8 million in gross proceeds to enhance our cash resources.

### *Compensation Philosophy*

Our compensation program is designed to attract, retain and motivate executive officers to achieve our business objectives and build value for our stockholders and to reward them for that performance. Accordingly, our executive compensation program is weighted to at-risk incentive compensation earned on the basis of performance. Of the three principal elements in our program, only one, salary, is fixed. The other two elements are variable: cash bonuses, which are earned based on our Compensation Committee's assessment of performance reflecting achievement of annual goals, and stock options, which deliver value only to the extent the value of our stock increases. Our mixture of cash and equity compensation is designed to incentivize and reward our executive officers to attain short and long-term goals and to encourage retention. Compensation takes into account Company performance, individual contribution and peer compensation.

The Board and its Compensation Committee are responsible for our executive compensation and seek to provide compensation that over time is competitive with compensation paid by comparable companies for comparable responsibilities and positions. Our goal is that total compensation, base salary, total cash compensation and long-term equity incentives will generally over time achieve approximately the 50th percentile range for executive officers in comparable positions at comparable companies, with the potential to be at up to approximately the 75th percentile for total cash compensation and long-term equity incentives based on outstanding performance.

The Board seeks to make compensation decisions transparent to our stockholders and executives and thereby to achieve our objectives by communicating openly with our executive officers and stockholders regarding our compensation process, pay structure and performance objectives.

### *Compensation Consultant*

The Compensation Committee was advised with respect to fiscal 2013 executive compensation including compensation design and long-term incentive design and strategies by Radford, an Aon Hewitt company. None of Radford, Aon Hewitt or their affiliates provides other services to the Company. The Compensation Committee has sole responsibility for the selection, engagement, removal and compensation of its compensation consultant.

### *Peer Group*

The peer group selected by our Compensation Committee for fiscal 2013 was composed of 18 public, biopharmaceutical companies selected based on a comparable business and financial profile to us, including stage of development, employee size, annual revenues and market value. The fiscal 2013 peer group included Alimera Sciences, Allos Therapeutics, Anika Therapeutics, BioDelivery Sciences International, BioMimetic Therapeutics, BioSante Pharmaceuticals, Columbia Laboratories, Cornerstone Therapeutics, Cumberland Pharmaceuticals, DURECT Corporation, DUSA Pharmaceuticals, Hemispherx BioPharma, Pozen, Repligen Corporation, Transcept Pharmaceuticals, Vanda Pharmaceuticals, Zalicus and Zogenix. Our peer group was recommended by Radford and approved by the Compensation Committee. The fiscal 2013 peer group did not

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include five companies used in the fiscal 2012 peer group: Bidel, which was acquired, as well as AVANIR Pharmaceuticals, Ligand Pharmaceuticals, NeurogesX and Progenics Pharmaceuticals, which no longer had a financial profile comparable to ours.

### *Overview of Compensation Program*

#### *Employment Agreements*

Paul Ashton, our President and Chief Executive Officer, and Lori Freedman, our Vice President, Corporate Affairs and General Counsel, are employed under employment agreements negotiated on an arm's-length basis in connection with the acquisition of Control Delivery Systems (CDS) by our then Managing Director and CEO and approved by our Board of Directors. At the time of our acquisition of CDS, Dr. Ashton and Ms. Freedman were executive officers of CDS and had change of control agreements entitling them to severance following the acquisition of CDS in the event of a reduction in compensation or a loss of title or responsibility. Our Board of Directors sought to retain Dr. Ashton and Ms. Freedman subsequent to the acquisition. The employment agreements negotiated with them are substantially similar to their prior agreements with CDS, and Dr. Ashton and Ms. Freedman waived their rights to severance as a result of changes after the CDS acquisition. Both of these employment agreements provide for a minimum base salary, a discretionary annual cash bonus and discretionary equity incentives.

Leonard Ross, our Vice President, Finance, became our principal financial officer in March 2009. As a result of his appointment, the Company, under the direction of the Compensation Committee, entered into an employment agreement with Mr. Ross that provides for a minimum base salary, a discretionary annual cash bonus and discretionary equity incentives.

#### *Elements of Compensation.*

Our compensation program provides our executive officers with the following elements of compensation:

- *Base Salary* provides fixed annual compensation for performing day-to-day responsibilities. The Compensation Committee intends to achieve over time base salary of approximately the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile range of market for comparable companies ("Market"). The Compensation Committee considers individual and company performance in addition to comparable Market salaries in making annual base salary adjustments.
- *Annual Performance Bonuses* are awarded by the Compensation Committee on a discretionary basis based on the Compensation Committee's assessment of achievement by the Company of annual goals set by the Board. The Compensation Committee intends that salary and annual bonuses together will over time generally achieve approximately the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile range of Market for total cash compensation and in the case of exceptional company and individual performance, up to approximately the 75<sup>th</sup> percentile of Market. Bonuses are generally payable in cash, although the Compensation Committee retains the flexibility to pay bonuses in other forms. Bonuses are designed to reward executives for their contributions to the Company's overall performance in a given year to encourage executives to create and protect stockholder value and focus executives on short-term bonus objectives that are expected to have a positive impact on our success.
- *Long-Term Equity Incentive Compensation* has historically been in the form of stock options granted under a plan approved by our stockholders but our Compensation Committee may also award restricted stock or other equity incentives under the plan. The Compensation Committee intends that over time annual long-term equity compensation will generally achieve approximately the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile of Market with the potential to be at up to approximately the 75<sup>th</sup> percentile in the case of outstanding individual and Company performance. The Compensation Committee typically compares our option grants against option grants for comparable positions at comparable companies through a blend of the Black-Scholes valuation of options granted and the annual grant as a percentage of total shares

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outstanding. The Compensation Committee also considers the annual and cumulative equity plan dilution against the peer group companies to evaluate whether overall equity usage is competitive and reasonable. The Compensation Committee may also consider the amount and monetary value of current options outstanding, the number of option grants made in prior years, Company and individual performance, percentage of outstanding capital stock represented by grants, market value of our stock and competitive and other factors. Our long-term equity compensation awards are designed and structured to align our executive officers' long-term interests with those of our stockholders. Because options have an exercise price equal to or greater than the share price on the date of grant, they have value only when the value of our stock increases. Therefore, our executives only receive value as value is created for stockholders. Our options have been granted with time vesting and at annual intervals, intended to serve as an important retention and motivation device. The Compensation Committee has also for some option grants made vesting contingent on achievement of performance conditions. Typically ten-year grants, our options provide incentives for sustained long-term performance. Each award to our CEO has been approved by our stockholders consistent with the rules of the ASX.

- *Insurance and retirement benefits* consist of health, dental, life and long-term disability insurance and a 401(k) plan retirement match, and are provided to all employees. Executives do not have any benefits that are not available to other employees.

In determining target total compensation (base salary, target and maximum bonus potential and equity incentives), our Compensation Committee takes into account past compensation, individual performance, individual responsibility, contractual obligations, compensation practices at peer group companies and in industry surveys, compensation programs for all of our employees, the compensation of each executive relative to that of other executives and any special considerations such as recruitment, promotions, organizational changes and transitional roles, the Company's headcount, market capitalization and stage of business development. The availability of insurance and retirement benefits helps us maintain our competitive position in the market for executive talent but does not form part of the basis for our Compensation Committee's determination of total compensation of executive officers for any year, since these benefits are offered to all of our employees. We do not provide perquisites to our executives.

### *Compensation Benchmarking*

In June 2012, our Compensation Committee engaged Radford to conduct a compensation benchmarking study for fiscal 2013. In July 2012, following a review and analysis of our executive compensation program, Radford presented the Compensation Committee with a report and recommendations on executive compensation for fiscal 2013. The report included a market analysis of base salaries, total cash compensation and equity compensation relative to the peer group discussed above as well as peer data derived from the published Radford 2011 Global Life Sciences Survey representing public biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies with fewer than 150 employees, weighted equally, to form a market consensus (Fiscal 2013 Market Consensus).

### *Fiscal 2013 Executive Compensation*

Compensation for our Named Executive Officers with respect to fiscal 2013 was as follows:

- *Fiscal 2013 Base Salary and Target Bonuses.* In July 2010, upon the recommendation of Radford, our Compensation Committee adopted a plan to move the base salary and target compensation of our executive officers from fiscal 2010 levels to approximately the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile of Market over three years. The Compensation Committee had suspended this program for fiscal 2013 because of the then status of ILUVIEN and the Company's then cash position, stock price and market capitalization. The Compensation Committee approved a 3% base salary increase over fiscal 2012 base salaries rather than increases of approximately 8% to 18% under the suspended program. Fiscal 2013 base salary was increased to \$412,000 for Dr. Ashton, \$319,300 for Ms. Freedman, and \$218,712 for Mr. Ross. Fiscal

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2013 target bonus percentages were set at or near the 25<sup>th</sup> percentile of the Fiscal 2013 Market Consensus, resulting in target bonuses of 50% of salary for Dr. Ashton, 30% of salary for Ms. Freedman and 25% of salary for Mr. Ross.

- *Fiscal 2013 Annual Performance Bonus.* The Compensation Committee uses performance goals to assist it in determining the discretionary annual bonuses. Each goal includes levels of minimum, target and exceeds performance and is assigned a percentage weighting as a portion of the overall bonus potential. The performance goals and weightings were approved by the independent directors based on goals recommended by the Compensation Committee with input from the CEO and other Named Executive Officers. The Compensation Committee intended the fiscal 2013 goals to promote the achievement of the Company's strategy and to motivate the executives to achieve high performance at the Company level. The goals were set with a reasonable level of difficulty that required that our executive officers perform at a high level in order to meet the target levels, and the likelihood of attaining even the minimum goals was not assured. The fiscal 2013 performance goals covered the following areas and their respective weightings were as follows:
  - Progress in the development of Medidur for posterior uveitis including Phase III clinical trials (30%)
  - Progress of pre-clinical development of Tethadur product candidates (20%)
  - Progress in achieving marketing approvals for ILUVIEN for DME (10%)
  - Available cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities (15%)
  - Execution in accordance with operating plan and budget (5%)
  - Progress in advancing product development through collaborations and licenses (20%)

Depending on performance, each goal was eligible for a potential score on a performance scale of 0 to 5, with a score of 3 for achievement of the target performance. The score for each goal contributes to a weighted average score based on the above weightings. For fiscal 2013, the Board determined that the weighted average score would generally result in a payout percentage of the target bonus amount as follows:

<u>Weighted Average Score</u>	<u>Payout Level (Percent of Target Amount)</u>
0	0%
1	0%
2	50%
3	100%
4	110%
5	120%

The Compensation Committee, however, has the discretion to change the performance goals, to adjust the performance levels and weightings and to determine the actual amount and payout terms of the annual bonus.

After the end of fiscal 2013, the Compensation Committee assessed the performance of each goal for fiscal 2013, based on its view of the general performance of each item and with input from the CEO. The Compensation Committee determined that the corporate performance in light of the goals described above was as follows:

- The initiation of the first of our two planned Phase III trials for Medidur for posterior uveitis and positive interim data from an investigator-sponsored Phase I/II study consistent with our hypothesis on the safety and efficacy of Medidur for posterior uveitis resulted in a score of 2.7.

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- Our progress with respect to advancing potential Tethadur product candidates resulted in a score of 3.
- The resubmission of the NDA for ILUVIEN for DME and the subsequent assignment of a new PDUFA date together with additional EU-country marketing approvals for ILUVIEN resulted in a score of 5.
- Our levels of cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities together with our progress in financing resulting in a public offering raising \$10.8 million in gross proceeds resulted in a score of 5.
- Our execution of our operating plan more efficiently than contemplated in our approved operating budget resulted in a score of 5.
- Our progress in advancing potential collaborations and licenses resulted in a score of 3.

Using the above predetermined weightings, the weighted-average score based on the Compensation Committee's assessment of achievement of the goals was 3.51 out of 5.0. Based on the above payout percentage scale, this score resulted in a bonus of 105% of target. The Compensation Committee determined to grant annual bonuses for the Named Executive Officers at 105% of target, resulting in a bonus of 52.5% of base salary for Dr. Ashton and 31.5% of base salary for Ms. Freedman and 26.25% of base salary for Mr. Ross.

- *Long-Term Equity Incentive Compensation Granted for Fiscal 2013.* In July 2012, our Compensation Committee awarded time-based options to Dr. Ashton, Ms. Freedman and Mr. Ross. Our Compensation Committee intended these grants to reward the performance of our Named Executive Officers in fiscal 2012 and to provide retention. In light of the then approval and commercialization status of ILUVIEN and the Company's then cash position, market capitalization and stock price, the Compensation Committee granted time-based options somewhat below 80% of the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile of the Fiscal 2013 Market Consensus. On a termination of Dr. Ashton, Ms. Freedman or Mr. Ross' employment without cause by the Company or upon their resignation from the Company for good cause, any unvested portion of these stock options that would have vested as of the first anniversary of the cessation of his or her employment would vest immediately prior to such cessation of employment and the remaining unvested portion of the stock option would be forfeited.

### *Fiscal 2012 Annual Performance Bonus*

After fiscal 2012, the Compensation Committee determined that fiscal 2012 annual bonuses would be payable at 50% of target for Dr. Ashton, Ms. Freedman and Mr. Ross upon the later to occur in fiscal 2013 of: (1) dosage of the first patient in the Medidur for posterior uveitis trial and (2) consummation of an offering of stock and warrants of approximately 15% of the Company's outstanding equity. On July 23, 2013, the Compensation Committee determined that fiscal 2012 bonuses should be paid at 50% of target based on the Company's closing of a registered direct financing of approximately 15% of the Company's outstanding equity in August 2012 followed by the Company's progress in initiating the Phase III clinical trial for Medidur for posterior uveitis.

### *Fiscal 2014 Base Salary, Bonus Target and Long-Term Equity Incentive Compensation*

In May 2013, our Compensation Committee engaged Radford to conduct a new benchmarking study for fiscal 2014. In July 2013, following a review and analysis of our executive compensation program, Radford presented the Compensation Committee with a report and recommendations on executive compensation for fiscal 2014 (Fiscal 2014 Recommendations). The Fiscal 2014 Recommendations included a market analysis of base salaries, total cash compensation and equity compensation relative to the peer group discussed below as well as peer data derived from the published Radford Global Life Sciences Survey representing public biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies with fewer than 150 employees, weighted equally, to form a market consensus (Fiscal 2014 Market Consensus).

The peer group selected by our Compensation Committee for fiscal 2014 was composed of 21 public, biopharmaceutical companies selected based on a comparable business and financial profile to us, including

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stage of development, employee size, annual revenues and market value. The Fiscal 2014 peer group included Acura Pharmaceuticals, Agenus, Alexza Pharmaceuticals, Alimera Sciences, Anika Therapeutics, Anthera Pharmaceuticals, AP Pharma, BioDelivery Sciences International, CEL-SCI, Celsion, Cornerstone Therapeutics, Cumberland Pharmaceuticals, CytRx, DURECT Corporation, Hemispherx BioPharma, NuPathe, OncoGenex Pharmaceuticals, Ocothyreon, Pozen, Transcept Pharmaceuticals and Zalicus. Our peer group was recommended by Radford and approved by the Compensation Committee.

For fiscal 2014, the Compensation Committee elected to continue with the plan, previously adopted in 2010, to bring base salary and target compensation of our executive officers to the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile of Market. The Compensation Committee increased FY2014 base salary to between the 25<sup>th</sup> and 50<sup>th</sup> percentiles of the FY2014 Market Consensus, with a maximum increase of 10%. Fiscal 2014 base salary was increased to \$450,000 for Dr. Ashton, \$330,028 for Ms. Freedman and \$240,583 for Mr. Ross. The Compensation Committee set fiscal year 2014 target bonus percentages at 55% for Dr. Ashton, the 25<sup>th</sup> percentile of the FY2014 Market Consensus, and at 30% for each of Ms. Freedman and Mr. Ross, slightly below the 25<sup>th</sup> percentile for Ms. Freedman and at the 25<sup>th</sup> percentile for Mr. Ross.

In July 2013, our Compensation Committee awarded time-based options to Dr. Ashton, Ms. Freedman and Mr. Ross, subject to shareholder approval in the case of Dr. Ashton. In making these grants, our Compensation Committee determined that these grants were intended to reward the performance of our executive officers in fiscal 2013 and to provide retention. In light of the Company's performance against the corporate goals which resulted in a bonus equal to 105% of the target amount for corporate achievement, the Compensation Committee granted time-based options at slightly over the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile of the Fiscal 2014 Market Consensus for Dr. Ashton and Ms. Freedman and 133% of the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile of the Fiscal 2014 Market Consensus for Mr. Ross.

### *Termination-Based Compensation*

Pursuant to our agreements with Dr. Ashton, Ms. Freedman and Mr. Ross, we have agreed to make severance payments in certain circumstances described under "Potential Payments upon Termination or Change in Control." We provided these agreements because we believe that it is important to define the relative obligations of pSivida and these named executive officers, including obtaining protection against competition and solicitation, and that severance protections assist in attracting and retaining high quality executives and in keeping them focused on their responsibilities during any period in which a change of control may be contemplated or pending.

### *Tax and Accounting Considerations*

Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, generally disallows a tax deduction for compensation in excess of \$1.0 million paid to our CEO and our other executive officers. We generally structure the value of our cash and stock compensation to fall below this limit, and our stock options to comply with exemptions in Section 162(m), so that the compensation remains tax deductible to us. However, our Board or Compensation Committee may, in their judgment, authorize compensation payments that do not comply with the exemptions in Section 162(m) when they believe that such payments are appropriate to attract and retain executive talent.

### **Compensation Committee Processes and Procedures**

The Compensation Committee is responsible for overseeing executive compensation and benefits; it administers, reviews and approves, or, as it determines appropriate, recommends to the Board, any changes in individual compensation of executive officers, general compensation policies and equity and incentive plans. The Compensation Committee has the authority to obtain advice and assistance from internal or external legal, accounting or other advisors, and to authorize payment of any such advisors.

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The Named Executive Officers had limited involvement in determining or recommending the amount or form of executive compensation in fiscal 2013 as described above. No executive may be involved in, or present during, deliberations or voting on his or her own compensation.

### Executive Compensation

The following tables, footnotes and narratives provide information regarding the compensation, benefits and equity holdings in pSivida of our principal executive officer, our principal financial officer and our other executive officer (the "Named Executive Officers").

#### Summary Compensation

The following table and footnotes provide additional information concerning the compensation of the Named Executive Officers for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2013, 2012 and 2011.

<u>Name and Principal Position</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Bonus</u>	<u>Stock Awards</u>	<u>Option Awards<sup>(1)</sup></u>	<u>All Other Compensation<sup>(4)</sup></u>	<u>Total</u>
Paul Ashton	2013	\$412,000	\$316,300 <sup>(2)</sup>	\$	\$ 98,428 <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 13,237	\$ 839,965
<i>President and Chief Executive Officer</i>	2012	400,000	—	—	125,226 <sup>(3)</sup>	13,542	538,768
	2011	363,000	181,500	—	872,170 <sup>(3)</sup>	13,451	1,430,121
Lori Freedman	2013	319,300	147,080 <sup>(2)</sup>	—	72,600 <sup>(3)</sup>	13,175	552,155
<i>Vice President for Corporate Affairs, General Counsel and Company Secretary</i>	2012	310,000	—	—	305,486 <sup>(3)</sup>	13,044	628,530
	2011	294,709	88,413	—	233,671 <sup>(3)</sup>	12,891	629,684
Leonard S. Ross	2013	218,712	83,955 <sup>(2)</sup>	—	39,600 <sup>(3)</sup>	11,384	353,651
<i>Vice President, Finance</i>	2012	212,342	—	—	145,323 <sup>(3)</sup>	12,925	370,590
	2011	202,230	50,558	—	123,471 <sup>(3)</sup>	12,535	388,794

- (1) The amounts in this column reflect the aggregate grant date fair value of equity awards granted during the respective fiscal year, calculated in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718 and using a Black-Scholes valuation model. Assumptions used in the calculation of these amounts are included in Note 10 of the audited financial statements filed with our Annual Report on Form 10-K for fiscal year 2013.
- (2) These amounts reflect fiscal 2013 bonuses (paid at 105% of target) as well as fiscal 2012 bonuses (paid at 50% of target after achievement of additional performance conditions in fiscal 2013):  
Fiscal 2013 bonuses: Dr. Ashton (\$216,300), Ms. Freedman (\$100,580) and Mr. Ross (\$57,412)  
Fiscal 2012 bonuses: (Dr. Ashton (\$100,000), Ms. Freedman (\$46,500) and Mr. Ross (\$26,543)
- (3) These amounts reflect valuation at the date of shareholder approval in the case of Dr. Ashton and the grant date in the case of Ms. Freedman and Mr. Ross. The amounts for fiscal 2011 and 2012 include options that had a performance-based condition requiring FDA approval of ILUVIEN for DME by December 31, 2011 that were forfeited when the condition was not met: \$20,506 in fiscal 2012 and \$494,152 in fiscal 2011 for Dr. Ashton, \$76,566 in fiscal 2012 and \$108,984 in fiscal 2011 for Ms. Freedman and \$49,939 in fiscal 2012 and \$59,412 in fiscal 2011 for Mr. Ross.

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(4) Consists of 401(k) contributions and group term life insurance premiums, as detailed below:

<u>Name and Principal Position</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Company Paid Amounts for Life Insurance</u>	<u>Company Contributions to 401(k) Plan</u>	<u>Total</u>
Paul Ashton <i>President and Chief Executive Officer</i>	2013	\$ 462	\$ 12,775	\$13,237
	2012	444	13,098	13,542
	2011	444	13,007	13,451
Lori Freedman <i>Vice President for Corporate Affairs, General Counsel and Company Secretary</i>	2013	462	12,713	13,175
	2012	444	12,600	13,044
	2011	444	12,447	12,891
Leonard S. Ross <i>Vice President, Finance</i>	2013	462	10,922	11,384
	2012	444	12,481	12,925
	2011	442	12,093	12,535

During fiscal years 2013, 2012 and 2011, Dr. Ashton, Ms. Freedman and Mr. Ross, were employed under employment agreements with the Company, pursuant to which they received the annual base salaries indicated in the above table. The employment agreements of Dr. Ashton, Ms. Freedman and Mr. Ross also provided for discretionary bonuses, discretionary stock option grants, life insurance and matching 401(k) contributions consistent with other U.S. employees and for participation in our medical, dental and life and disability insurance plans.

### Grants of Plan-Based Awards

The following table and footnotes provide information concerning grants of plan-based awards to the Named Executive Officers during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Grant Date</u>	<u>All Other Stock Awards; Number of Shares of Stock or Units</u>	<u>All Other Option Awards; Number of Securities Underlying Options</u>	<u>Exercise Price<sup>(2)</sup></u>	<u>Grant Date Fair Value of Stock and Option Awards<sup>(3)</sup></u>
Paul Ashton <i>President and Chief Executive Officer</i>	07/18/12	—	104,000 <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 2.14	\$ 98,428
Lori Freedman <i>Vice President for Corporate Affairs, General Counsel and Company Secretary</i>	07/18/12	—	44,000 <sup>(1)</sup>	2.14	72,600
Leonard S. Ross <i>Vice President, Finance</i>	07/18/12	—	24,000 <sup>(1)</sup>	2.14	39,600

- (1) These option awards vest in four equal annual installments, commencing on the first anniversary of the date of grant. In addition, in the event of involuntary termination without cause or a voluntary termination for good cause, any unvested portion of the options that would have vested as of the first anniversary of the employment termination instead would vest immediately prior to the employment termination, and if such termination occurs within 24 months after a change of control, all options automatically would vest and remain exercisable until the earlier of (i) one year and (ii) the option expiration date.
- (2) The exercise price reflects the closing market price of our common stock on the date of grant.
- (3) The grant date fair value of option grants is calculated in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718 and using a Black-Scholes valuation model, including valuation at the date of shareholder approval in the case of Dr. Ashton and at the grant date in the case of Ms. Freedman and Mr. Ross.



**Outstanding Equity Awards at Fiscal Year-End**

The following table and footnotes provide information concerning outstanding equity awards for the Named Executive Officers as of June 30, 2013:

Name	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#)			Option Exercise Price	Option Expiration Date
	Exercisable <sup>(1)</sup>	Unexercisable <sup>(1)(2)</sup>	Unearned		
Paul Ashton	280,000	—	—	1.1300	11/18/18
<i>President and Chief Executive Officer</i>	236,250	78,750	—	4.0100	11/19/19
	43,690	43,690	—	3.4500	07/22/20
	33,750	101,250	—	5.0500	07/21/21
	—	104,000	—	2.1400	07/18/22
Lori Freedman	100,000	—	—	2.9000	09/04/18
<i>Vice President for Corporate Affairs, General Counsel and Company Secretary</i>	10,000	—	—	2.7700	09/10/18
	95,000	—	—	1.8100	06/25/19
	23,162	23,163	—	3.4500	07/22/20
	15,000	45,000	—	5.0500	07/21/21
	—	44,000	—	2.1400	07/18/22
Leonard S. Ross	40,000	—	—	2.8500	09/11/18
<i>Vice President, Finance</i>	50,000	—	—	1.8100	06/25/19
	11,900	11,900	—	3.4500	07/22/20
	6,250	18,750	—	5.0500	07/21/21
	—	24,000	—	2.1400	07/18/22

(1) The option numbers represent options to acquire shares of common stock.

(2) Dr. Ashton's unexercisable options vest and become exercisable as follows: 78,750 on November 19, 2013, 43,690 in two equal annual installments commencing July 22, 2013, 101,250 in three equal annual installments commencing July 21, 2013 and 104,000 in four equal annual installments commencing July 18, 2013. Ms. Freedman's unexercisable options vest and become exercisable as follows: 23,163 in two equal annual installments commencing July 22, 2013, 45,000 in three equal annual installments commencing July 21, 2013 and 44,000 in four equal annual installments commencing July 18, 2013. Mr. Ross's unexercisable options vest and become exercisable as follows: 11,900 in two equal annual installments commencing July 22, 2013, 18,750 in three equal annual installments commencing July 21, 2013 and 24,000 in four equal annual installments commencing July 18, 2013. These options also vest on involuntary termination without cause and voluntary termination for good reason as described below.

**Option Exercises and Stock Vested**

None of the Named Executive Officers exercised any options during fiscal year 2013.

**Pension Benefits**

We do not have any qualified or non-qualified defined benefits plans.

**Non-qualified Deferred Compensation**

We do not have any non-qualified defined contribution plans or other deferred compensation plans.

**Potential Payments upon Termination or Change in Control**

Dr. Ashton, Ms. Freedman and Mr. Ross have contracts with us that provide for potential payments in connection with termination by us without cause or resignation for good cause. If the severance provisions in these contracts had been triggered on June 30, 2013, Dr. Ashton, Ms. Freedman and Mr. Ross would have been entitled to payments in the following amounts:

<u>Triggering Event / Payment</u>	<u>Paul Ashton<sup>(1)(2)(3)</sup></u>	<u>Lori Freedman<sup>(2)(3)</sup></u>	<u>Leonard S. Ross<sup>(2)(3)</sup></u>
Termination without Cause / Constructive Termination			
Salary	\$ 412,000	\$ 319,300	\$ 164,034
Bonus	206,000	184,203	54,678
Medical / Life / Disability Insurance	1,634	22,894	24,050
Acceleration of Unvested Option Awards	54,155	23,894	12,879
Total	<u>\$ 673,789</u>	<u>\$ 550,291</u>	<u>\$ 255,641</u>
Change in Control followed by Termination			
Salary	\$ 412,000	\$ 319,300	\$ 218,712
Bonus	206,000	184,203	54,678
Medical / Life / Disability Insurance	1,634	22,894	24,050
Acceleration of Unvested Option Awards	198,270	85,848	46,518
Total	<u>\$ 817,904</u>	<u>\$ 612,245</u>	<u>\$ 343,958</u>

- (1) The above table does not take into account up to \$800,000 that Dr. Ashton could receive if we exercised our right under our non-competition agreement with Dr. Ashton to require him not to compete with us for a period of up to 24 months. Any severance or other payments owed to Dr. Ashton in connection with the termination of his employment as described in his non-competition agreement would result in a dollar-for-dollar reduction in the amount paid to Dr. Ashton under this non-competition agreement.
- (2) The above table assumes lump-sum payments for one year of medical, dental, life and disability insurance premiums for Ms. Freedman and Mr. Ross and of dental, life and disability insurance premiums for Dr. Ashton, and does not take into account potential increases in insurance premiums. The table also assumes that Dr. Ashton, Ms. Freedman and Mr. Ross would elect their current coverages under our employee benefit plans and would not obtain coverage from another employer. For purposes of quantifying medical, dental, life and disability insurance benefits, we have used the assumptions used for financial reporting purposes under generally accepted accounting principles.
- (3) The above table values the acceleration of unvested in-the-money option awards using the spread between (i) the relevant option exercise price and (ii) the closing price of our common stock on NASDAQ on June 30, 2013, which was \$3.87.

The severance arrangements of each of the Named Executive Officers as of June 30, 2013 are further described in the following paragraphs.

*Paul Ashton*

Termination of Dr. Ashton's employment by us without cause, or by Dr. Ashton with good cause, would require us to pay severance to Dr. Ashton. Dr. Ashton would be entitled to a lump sum payment equal to 100% of his current annual salary plus the pro rata portion of his bonus for the year of such termination, calculated on the assumption that all targets and formulas for determining such bonus had been met, or, if no such targets or formulas had been established, the maximum bonus for which he was eligible during the prior year calculated on the same assumption. The bonus payable would be reduced by any bonus payments relating to services performed in the year in which termination occurred (1) that already had been paid or were payable as of the date of termination or (2) that were not earned because of the failure to achieve targets or formulas that were no

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longer able to be achieved. The bonus payable also would exclude any bonus paid or payable in the year in which termination occurred with respect to services rendered in a prior year. We also would be required to provide Dr. Ashton with medical, life and disability insurance benefits for a period of one year if he elected coverage. Additionally, all options held by Dr. Ashton (except the options granted in fiscal years 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013 under the 2008 Incentive Plan and those granted in fiscal year 2014 subject to stockholder approval) (Dr. Ashton's Incentive Plan Options) would vest and become exercisable upon such termination, and would remain exercisable for a period of six months thereafter (except that incentive stock options (ISOs) would be exercisable for only three months thereafter). With respect to Dr. Ashton's Incentive Plan Options, any unvested portion that would have vested as of the first anniversary following the date of his termination by us without cause or by Dr. Ashton with good cause (other than within 24 months of a change in control) would vest upon any such termination, and such options would remain exercisable until the earlier of (i) three months thereafter and (ii) the applicable option expiration date. Upon any such termination within 24 months of a change in control, any unvested portion of Dr. Ashton's Incentive Plan Options would vest and become exercisable upon such termination, and such options would remain exercisable until the earlier of (i) one year thereafter and (ii) the applicable option expiration date. Termination by us for cause, or by Dr. Ashton without good cause, would not require us to pay any severance to Dr. Ashton.

Dr. Ashton has a separate non-competition agreement with us. Under this agreement, following a termination by us for cause, or by Dr. Ashton without good cause, Dr. Ashton would be required not to engage in certain activities that would be in competition with us for a period of twelve months from the date of termination. No additional consideration is required to be paid by us for this period. We could at our option extend this period for an additional twelve months, in which case we would be required to pay Dr. Ashton an amount equal to his annual base salary as of the date of termination in twelve equal installments over the course of the additional twelve-month period.

Under Dr. Ashton's non-competition agreement, following a termination by us without cause, or by Dr. Ashton for good cause, we would have the option to prevent him from engaging in certain activities that would be in competition with us for a period of up to twenty-four months from the date of such termination. In exchange, we would pay Dr. Ashton an amount equal to 1/24th of \$800,000 for each month in the period specified. Any amounts received by Dr. Ashton pursuant to his severance arrangement with us would reduce the amount that we were required to pay under his non-competition agreement on a dollar-for-dollar basis.

### *Lori Freedman*

Termination of Ms. Freedman's employment by us without cause, or by Ms. Freedman with good cause, would require us to pay severance to Ms. Freedman. Ms. Freedman would be entitled to a lump sum payment equal to the sum of (1) 100% of current annual salary, (2) an amount equal to the greater of the prior year's bonus and the bonus for the year preceding that year and (3) a pro rata portion of the current year's bonus, calculated on the assumption that all targets and formulas for determining such bonus had been met, or, if no such targets or formulas were established, calculated as a pro rata portion of the prior year's bonus. This lump sum payment may be made either in cash, or, at our election, 50% in cash and 50% in stock. We also would be required to provide medical, life and disability benefits to Ms. Freedman for a period of one year if she so elected. Additionally, all options held by Ms. Freedman (except the options granted during fiscal years 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 under the 2008 Incentive Plan (Ms. Freedman's Incentive Plan Options)) would vest and become exercisable upon termination, and would remain exercisable for a period of one year following the date of termination (except that ISOs would be exercisable for only three months thereafter), and all restricted stock would vest and no longer be subject to forfeiture. With respect to Ms. Freedman's Incentive Plan Options, any unvested portion that would have vested as of the first anniversary following the date of her termination by us without cause or by Ms. Freedman with good cause (other than within 24 months of a change in control) would vest upon any such termination, and such options would remain exercisable until the earlier of (i) three months thereafter and (ii) the applicable option expiration date. Upon any such termination within 24 months of a change in control, any unvested portion of Ms. Freedman's Incentive Plan Options would vest and become exercisable

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upon such termination, and such options would remain exercisable until the earlier of (i) one year thereafter and (ii) the applicable option expiration date. Termination by us for cause or by Ms. Freedman without good cause would not require us to pay any severance to Ms. Freedman.

### *Leonard S. Ross*

Termination of Mr. Ross' employment by us without cause, or by Mr. Ross with good cause, would require us to pay severance to Mr. Ross. Upon any such termination (other than within 24 months of a change of control), provided that at the Company's election Mr. Ross remains an employee for up to nine months after notifying the Company of a good cause termination, Mr. Ross would be entitled to a lump sum payment equal to the sum of (1) 75% of current annual salary and (2) a pro rata portion of the current year's bonus, calculated based on the period from the commencement of the fiscal year until the termination date and further calculated on the assumption that all targets and formulas for determining such bonus had been met, or, if no such targets or formulas were established, calculated as a pro rata portion of the prior year's bonus. We also would be required to provide medical, life and disability benefits to Mr. Ross for a period of one year if he so elected. Additionally, with respect to all options held by Mr. Ross granted during fiscal years 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 under the 2008 Incentive Plan (Mr. Ross' Incentive Plan Options), any unvested portion that would have vested as of the first anniversary following the date of his termination by us without cause or by Mr. Ross with good cause would vest upon any such termination, and such options would remain exercisable until the earlier of (i) three months thereafter and (ii) the applicable option expiration date.

In the event of any such termination within 24 months of a change in control, Mr. Ross would be entitled to a lump sum payment equal to the sum of (1) 100% of current annual salary, (2) an amount equal to the prior year's bonus and (3) a pro rata portion of the current year's bonus, calculated based on the period from the commencement of the fiscal year until the termination date and further calculated on the assumption that all targets and formulas for determining such bonus had been met, or, if no such targets or formulas were established, calculated as a pro rata portion of the prior year's bonus, as well as medical, life and disability benefits to Mr. Ross for a period of one year if he so elected. In addition, upon any such termination within 24 months of a change in control, any unvested portion of Mr. Ross' Incentive Plan Options would vest and become exercisable upon such termination, and such options would remain exercisable until the earlier of (i) one year thereafter and (ii) the applicable option expiration date. Termination by us for cause or by Mr. Ross without good cause would not require us to pay any severance to Mr. Ross.

### **Director Compensation**

For fiscal year 2013, our compensation arrangements for non-executive directors were:

- annual retainer fee of \$60,000 for the Board chair and \$40,000 for each other Board member;
- annual retainer fee of \$15,000 for the chair and \$5,000 for each other member of the Audit and Compliance Committee;
- annual retainer fee of \$10,000 for the chair and \$4,000 for each other member of the Compensation Committee;
- annual retainer fee of \$7,500 for the chair and \$2,000 for each other member of the Governance and Nominating Committee;
- in the event a director attends more than twelve committee meetings, meeting attendance fees of \$1,000 for each Board and committee meeting attended thereafter; and
- initial grant of an option to purchase 60,000 shares for a new director and annual grants of options to purchase 45,000 shares for the Board chair and 30,000 shares for other directors, subject to stockholder approval, and prorated for period of service.

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Director compensation remains unchanged for fiscal year 2014.

Dr. Ashton received no additional compensation for serving as a director.

The following table and footnotes provide information regarding the compensation paid to our non-executive directors for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Fees Earned or Paid in Cash</u>	<u>Option Awards<sup>(1)(2)</sup></u>	<u>All Other Compensation</u>	<u>Total</u>
David J. Mazzo	\$ 70,000	\$ 41,367	\$ —	\$ 111,367
Paul A. Hopper	52,500	27,578	—	80,078
Michael Rogers	61,000	27,578	—	88,578
Peter G. Savas	53,000	27,578	—	80,578
Douglas Godshall	46,000	65,621	—	111,621

- (1) Amounts reflect the grant date fair values of fiscal year 2013 option awards as determined in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718 and using a Black-Scholes valuation model. The underlying valuation assumptions for equity awards are further disclosed in Note 10 of the audited financial statements filed with our Annual Report on Form 10-K for fiscal 2013.
- (2) The following table shows the number of outstanding shares underlying outstanding options held by our non-executive directors as of June 30, 2013.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Outstanding Option Awards</u>
David J. Mazzo	300,000
Paul A. Hopper	180,000
Michael Rogers	220,000
Peter G. Savas	180,000
Douglas Godshall	70,000

## PROPOSAL 2: APPROVAL OF OPTION GRANT TO CEO

The Compensation Committee provides annual equity incentives to our executive officers as part of their annual compensation. The Compensation Committee granted Dr. Ashton an option to purchase 185,400 shares of common stock under the 2008 Incentive Plan on the terms detailed below, subject to stockholder approval. The Committee determined the amount and terms of the grant with advice from its independent compensation consultant Radford and considered peer group and survey information as well as the Company's performance against fiscal 2013 Corporate Goals and Dr. Ashton's individual performance. The award was designed to reward Dr. Ashton's performance in fiscal year 2013, to incentivize his future performance and to promote his retention. Because Dr. Ashton is a director, ASX Listing Rules require stockholder approval of his option grant.

The Company has made the option grant subject to stockholder approval and will issue the option certificate within one month of stockholder approval. The option grant to Dr. Ashton will not have any effect upon the rights of existing security holders, except a potential reduction of each existing security holder's percentage ownership in pSivida of up to approximately 0.68% of such security holder's percentage ownership.

**The Board recommends that you vote FOR proposal 2, the approval of the option grant to Dr. Ashton.**

### Material Terms of the Proposed Grant

Dr. Ashton's option has an exercise price of \$3.51 per share, equal to the closing price on NASDAQ of a share of our common stock on July 23, 2013, the date of grant. The option vests and becomes exercisable in four equal installments on the first through fourth anniversaries of the date of grant, and expires on the tenth anniversary of the date of grant. This option, if not earlier forfeited, expires on the tenth anniversary of the date of grant.

If Dr. Ashton's employment were terminated by reason of an involuntary termination without cause or a voluntary termination for good cause, any unvested portion of the option granted to him that would have vested as of the first anniversary of the employment termination instead would vest immediately prior to the employment termination. If Dr. Ashton's employment were terminated within 24 months after a change of control by reason of an involuntary termination without cause or a voluntary termination for good cause, the option granted to him automatically would vest and remain exercisable until the earlier of (i) one year and (ii) the option expiration date. The option is subject to the terms of the 2008 Incentive Plan.

The proposed grant is being issued for no cash consideration and there are no loans being made in relation to the proposed grant.

### PROPOSAL 3: APPROVAL OF OPTION GRANTS TO NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

The Compensation Committee has granted, subject to stockholder approval, options to our five non-executive directors under the 2008 Incentive Plan in the amount of 45,000 shares for David J. Mazzo, the chairman of our Board, and 30,000 shares of common stock for each of our other independent directors, Douglas Godshall, Paul A. Hopper, Michael Rogers and Peter G. Savas.

The Compensation Committee has determined that an annual grant to existing directors of an option to purchase 30,000 shares is appropriate to retain high-quality directors and is consistent with competitive director equity compensation in peer companies. The Compensation Committee further has determined that the larger option grant of 45,000 shares to the chairman of the Board is appropriate to reflect the additional contribution and time commitment of that role. In determining each of these option grants, the Compensation Committee sought the advice of compensation consulting firm Radford and considered peer group and survey information. Option grants to directors require stockholder approval under ASX Listing Rules.

The Company has made these option grants subject to stockholder approval and will issue the option certificates within one month of stockholder approval. The option grants will not have any effect upon the rights of existing security holders, except a potential reduction of each existing security holder's percentage ownership in pSivida of up to approximately 0.61% of such security holder's percentage ownership.

The option grants are independent of one another, and each proposal will be voted on separately as follows:

- Proposal 3.1 – grant of options to Douglas Godshall
- Proposal 3.2 – grant of options to Paul A. Hopper
- Proposal 3.3 – grant of options to Michael Rogers
- Proposal 3.4 – grant of options to Peter G. Savas
- Proposal 3.5 – grant of options to David J. Mazzo

**The Board recommends that you vote FOR proposal 3, the approval of the option grants to each of Mr. Godshall, Mr. Hopper, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Savas and Dr. Mazzo.**

#### Material Terms of the Option Grants

The option grants to Mr. Godshall, Mr. Hopper, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Savas and Dr. Mazzo, each have an exercise price of \$3.51 per share, equal to the closing price on NASDAQ of a share of our common stock on July 23, 2013, the date of grant. These options vest and become exercisable on July 23, 2014, the first anniversary of the date of grant, and expire on the tenth anniversary of the date of grant.

If a director's Board service is terminated after a change of control, the option granted to that director automatically vests and remains exercisable until the earlier of (i) one year and (ii) the option expiration date. The options are subject to the terms of the 2008 Incentive Plan.

The proposed grants are being issued for no cash consideration. There are no loans being made in relation to the proposed grants, and no directors or associates of directors have received securities under the pSivida Corp. 2008 Incentive Plan since the last grants approved by stockholders (which were options to our five non-executive directors under the 2008 Incentive Plan in the amount of 45,000 shares for Dr. Mazzo, 30,000 shares for each of Mr. Hopper, Mr. Rogers and Mr. Savas and 70,000 shares for Mr. Godshall).

**PROPOSAL 4: RATIFICATION OF ISSUANCE OF  
COMMON STOCK IN JULY 2013 PUBLIC OFFERING**

**Background**

On July 24, 2013, we issued 3,494,550 shares of our common stock for gross proceeds of approximately \$10.8 million in an underwritten public offering. The shares were offered pursuant to a prospectus supplement included in a shelf registration statement filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. We intend to use the net proceeds from this offering fund further clinical development of Medidur for posterior uveitis product candidate, including expected Phase III clinical trials, to fund our other research and development programs, including Tethadur, to fund working capital and for other general corporate purposes. We are seeking the approval of our stockholders for the purpose of ratifying the issuance of these shares pursuant to ASX Listing Rule 7.4.

**ASX Listing Rules**

ASX Listing Rule 7.1 prohibits, subject to certain exceptions, the issuance of securities or an agreement for the issuance of securities that would represent more than 15% of a company's shares of common stock on issue 12 months prior to the date of issue or agreement to issue such shares, without the prior approval of the company's stockholders. The shares issued in the July 2013 public offering were within the 15% limitation imposed under ASX Listing Rule 7.1, and accordingly, we did not need stockholder approval for their issuance.

ASX Listing Rule 7.4 provides an exception to ASX Listing Rule 7.1. This rule provides that where a company in an annual meeting approves a previous issue of securities (made without stockholder approval under ASX Listing Rule 7.1), those securities will be excluded from the calculation of the number of securities that may be issued in any 12-month period within the 15% limit set out in ASX Listing Rule 7.1.

We are seeking stockholder approval under ASX Listing Rule 7.4 to ratify our issuance of the shares issued in the July 2013 public offering. If approved, these securities will be excluded from the calculation of the number of securities that can be issued by us in the forthcoming 12 month period under ASX Listing Rule 7.1, therefore providing us with flexibility to issue additional CDIs or shares of common stock in the next 12 months, if the Board considers it to be in the interests of the company and its stockholders to do so.

In accordance with ASX Listing Rule 7.5, in addition to the information set out above, the following information is provided in relation to this proposal:

- The number of shares of common stock issued in the July 2013 public offering was 3,494,550.
- Each share was sold at a price to the public of \$3.10.
- The shares were issued in an underwritten public offering.
- The shares issued in the July 2013 public offering rank equally with all other shares of our common stock.

**The Board recommends that you vote FOR proposal 4, the approval of the issuance of common stock in the July 2013 public offering.**



## PROPOSAL 5: ADVISORY VOTE ON EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

As required under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010, or Dodd-Frank Act, the Board of Directors is submitting a “say on pay” proposal for stockholder consideration. While the vote on executive compensation is nonbinding and advisory, the Board and the Compensation Committee value the opinion of our stockholders, and to the extent there is any significant vote against the executive officer compensation as disclosed in this proxy statement, we will consider our stockholders’ concerns and evaluate what actions may be appropriate to address those concerns.

Executive compensation is an important matter for stockholders. The core of the Company’s executive compensation philosophy and practice is weighted to at-risk incentive compensation earned on the basis of performance and continues to balance elements of compensation to incentivize performance and promote retention. We believe our executive officers are compensated in a manner consistent with our strategy, competitive practice, sound corporate governance principles, and stockholder interests and concerns. Compensation of our executive officers takes into account Company performance, individual contribution and peer compensation and is designed to enable the Company to attract and retain talented and experienced senior executives to lead the Company successfully in a competitive environment.

The compensation of the named executive officers is described starting on page 10 of this Proxy Statement, which includes the Compensation Discussion and Analysis, or CD&A. The CD&A provides additional details on executive compensation, including the Company’s compensation philosophy and objectives, and the fiscal 2013 compensation of the named executive officers.

The Company is asking stockholders to vote on the following resolution:

**“RESOLVED**, that the Company’s stockholders approve, on an advisory basis, the compensation of the named executive officers as disclosed in the proxy statement for the 2013 Annual Meeting of Stockholders pursuant to the compensation disclosure rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission (which disclosure includes the Compensation Discussion and Analysis, the Summary Compensation Table for fiscal 2013, and the other related tables and disclosures).”

**The Board of Directors unanimously recommends stockholders vote, on an advisory basis, FOR the Company’s 2013 executive compensation.**

**PROPOSAL 6: ADVISORY VOTE REGARDING THE FREQUENCY OF FUTURE ADVISORY  
VOTES ON EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**

Under the Dodd-Frank Act, the Company is also required to seek a nonbinding advisory stockholder vote regarding the frequency of submission to stockholders of a say on pay advisory vote such as Proposal 5. The Dodd-Frank Act specifies that stockholders be given the opportunity to vote on the Company's executive compensation programs either annually, every two years, or every three years. Although this vote is advisory and nonbinding, the Board of Directors will review voting results and give consideration to the outcome of such voting.

The Board of Directors recognizes the importance of receiving regular input from the Company's stockholders on important issues such as the Company's compensation programs. The Board also believes that a well-structured compensation program should include plans that drive creation of stockholder value over the long-term, and that it should receive advisory input from stockholders each year. Accordingly, as indicated below, the Board recommends that you vote in favor of an annual advisory vote on the Company's compensation programs.

Stockholders may cast their vote on their preferred voting frequency by choosing the option of one year, two years, three years, or abstain from voting in response to the resolution set forth below:

**"RESOLVED**, that the option of once every one year, two years, or three years that receives the highest number of votes cast for this resolution will be determined to be the preferred frequency with which pSivida Corp. is to hold a stockholder vote to approve the compensation of the named executive officers, as disclosed pursuant to the compensation disclosure rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission (which disclosure shall include the Compensation Discussion and Analysis, the Summary Compensation Table for fiscal 2013, and the other related tables and disclosures)."

**The Board of Directors unanimously recommends that stockholders vote for the option of ONE YEAR as the frequency with which stockholders are provided an advisory vote on executive compensation, as disclosed pursuant to the compensation disclosure rules of the SEC.**

**PROPOSAL 7: RATIFICATION OF APPOINTMENT OF  
INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

The Audit and Compliance Committee has appointed Deloitte & Touche LLP to serve as our independent registered public accounting firm and to audit our financial statements and, if applicable, our internal control over financial reporting for fiscal year 2014. Although ratification is not required, we are seeking stockholder approval of the selection as a matter of good corporate practice. If stockholders do not ratify the appointment, then the Audit and Compliance Committee will consider whether it is appropriate to select a different independent registered public accounting firm or to continue Deloitte's appointment as our independent registered public accounting firm. Even if stockholders do ratify the appointment, the Audit and Compliance Committee in its discretion may select a different independent registered public accounting firm at any time during the year, if the Audit and Compliance Committee determines that such a change would be in our and our stockholders' best interests.

Deloitte was our independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal 2013. Deloitte is expected to have a representative present at the Annual Meeting to answer appropriate questions and to make a statement if he or she desires.

**The Board recommends that you vote FOR ratification of Deloitte's appointment as the independent registered public accounting firm.**

The following table sets forth the total fees paid to Deloitte and its affiliates with respect to the fiscal 2013 and 2012:

	Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	
	2013	2012
	(In thousands)	
Audit fees	\$ 340	\$ 357
Audit-related fees <sup>(1)</sup>	84	—
Tax fees <sup>(2)</sup>	47	45
All other fees <sup>(3)</sup>	2	2
	<u>\$ 473</u>	<u>\$ 404</u>

(1) These are fees for assurance and related services that are reasonably related to performance of the audit and review of our financial statements, and which are not reported under "Audit Fees". These services in fiscal 2013 were related to our registered direct share offering in August 2012 and attestation services as required for consents to registration statement filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

(2) Tax fees paid to Deloitte for fiscal 2013 and 2012 related to the preparation of various corporate tax returns as well as tax advice.

(3) All other fees relate to a subscription to Deloitte's on-line accounting research database.

Our policies require the Audit and Compliance Committee to pre-approve all audit and permitted non-audit services provided by the independent registered public accounting firm, including engagement fees and terms. The Audit and Compliance Committee may delegate pre-approval authority to one or more of its members, who will report any pre-approval decisions to the full committee at its next scheduled meeting, but may not delegate pre-approval authority to members of management. The Audit and Compliance Committee may approve only those non-audit services classified as "all other services" that it believes to be routine and recurring services, to be consistent with SEC rules and to not impair the auditor's independence with respect to pSivida. The Audit and Compliance Committee reviewed and pre-approved all audit services and permitted non-audit services performed during fiscal 2013 and 2012.

## INFORMATION ABOUT STOCKHOLDER PROPOSALS AND DIRECTOR NOMINATIONS

If a stockholder intends to present a proposal at the 2014 Annual Meeting and wishes the proposal to be included in the proxy materials for that meeting, we must receive a written copy of the proposal by no later than June 30, 2014.

If a stockholder intends to nominate one or more persons for election as a director or present any other proposal at the 2014 Annual Meeting that is not to be included in the proxy materials for that meeting, we must receive written notice of the nomination or proposal by no later than September 15, 2014.

We reserve the right to reject, rule out of order or take other appropriate action with respect to any proposal that does not comply with the foregoing requirements and with the SEC regulations regarding stockholder proposals.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### Voting Requirements and Proxies

Nominees receiving a plurality of votes properly cast for the election of directors (proposals 1.1-1.6) will be elected directors. The option of one year, two years, or three years that receives the highest number of votes cast by stockholders on the advisory vote on executive compensation (proposal 6) will be the frequency recommended by stockholders. All other proposals require approval of a majority of votes properly cast on the respective proposals.

If you vote by Internet, telephone or mail, the person whom you have named proxy will vote your shares in accordance with your instructions. If you vote by Internet, telephone or mail without providing instructions as to how your vote should be cast, the person whom you have named as proxy will vote in favor of election of all directors and the annual option for proposal 6 and in favor of the other proposals contained in this proxy statement. However, if your shares are held by a broker or nominee and you do not instruct the broker or nominee, your shares may be counted for purposes of a quorum for the meeting, but the broker or nominee will vote your shares only with respect to ratification of the appointment of the independent registered public accounting firm (proposal 7) and will not vote your shares with respect to the election of directors (proposals 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4, 1.5 and 1.6), approval of annual option grant to the CEO (proposal 2), approval of option grants to the non-executive directors (proposals 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4 and 3.5), ratification of the issuance and sale of shares to purchase common stock in July 2013 (proposal 4), advisory vote on executive compensation (proposal 5) or advisory vote regarding the frequency of the say-on-pay vote (proposal 6), and these broker non-votes will not affect the outcome of these votes. Abstentions will be counted for purposes of determining the quorum for the meeting but will not affect the outcome of the vote on any proposal. If any other matters are properly presented for voting at the Annual Meeting, the person whom you have named as proxy will have discretionary authority to vote in accordance with his or her own judgment, including the authority to vote to adjourn the meeting. The person named as proxy will be able to vote your shares as described above at postponed or adjourned meetings.

### Voting Exclusion Statement

We will disregard any votes cast on proposals 2, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4 and 3.5 by any of the directors and any of their associates and on proposal 4 by stockholders who participated in the July 2013 public offering and any of their associates. We will not disregard a vote, however, if it is cast (1) by a person as proxy for a person who is entitled to vote, in accordance with the directions on the proxy form or (2) by the person chairing the Annual Meeting as proxy for a person who is entitled to vote, in accordance with a direction on the proxy form to vote as the proxy decides.

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### **Other Business**

At the time of mailing this proxy statement, we do not know of any other matter that properly may come before the Annual Meeting, and do not intend to present any other matter. However, if any other matters properly come before the meeting or any adjournment, the persons named as proxies will be able to vote on those matters in accordance with their own judgment.

If there are insufficient votes to approve the proposals, your proxy may be voted by the persons named in the proxy to adjourn the Annual Meeting in order to solicit additional proxies in favor of the approval of such proposals. If the Annual Meeting is adjourned or postponed for any purpose, at any subsequent reconvening of the meeting your proxy will be voted in the same manner as it would have been voted at the original convening of the Annual Meeting unless you withdraw or revoke your proxy. Your proxy may be voted in this manner even though it may have been voted on the same or any other matter at a previous session of the Annual Meeting.

### **Proxy Solicitation**

We will bear the cost of soliciting proxies. We have engaged Georgeson Inc. to assist in soliciting proxies by personal interview, mail, telephone, facsimile or other electronic means of communication for a fee of \$8,500, plus expenses. In addition, our directors, officers and employees may solicit proxies in like manner. These persons will not receive any additional or special compensation for their solicitation services.

## **DIRECTIONS TO ANNUAL MEETING**

### **From the East**

Take I-95 North to Exit 27A (Totten Pond Road). Go over the bridge to the first set of lights. Make a sharp right turn onto Third Avenue. The hotel will be on the left.

### **From the West**

Take I-90/Massachusetts Turnpike to Route 95 North. Take Exit 27A (Totten Pond Road). Make a sharp right turn onto Third Avenue. The hotel will be on the left.

### **From the North (Boston Logan International Airport)**

Follow the signs to the Ted Williams Tunnel then to I-90 West. Continue to I-95/Route 128 North and take Exit 27A (Totten Pond Road). Make a sharp right turn onto Third Avenue. The hotel will be on the left.

### **From the South**

Take Route 84 East to I-90/Massachusetts Turnpike. Continue to I-95/Route 128 North and take Exit 27A (Totten Pond Road). Make a sharp right turn onto Third Avenue. The hotel will be on the left.

### **Parking**

Both self-parking and valet parking are available at the hotel.



**Important Annual Meeting Information** 000004

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**Electronic Voting Instructions**

**Available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week!**

Instead of mailing your proxy, you may choose one of the voting methods outlined below to vote your proxy.

VALIDATION DETAILS ARE LOCATED BELOW IN THE TITLE BAR.

**Proxies submitted by Internet or telephone must be received by 1:00 a.m., Eastern Time, on December 18, 2013.**



**Vote by Internet**

- Go to [www.envisionreports.com/PSDV](http://www.envisionreports.com/PSDV)
- Or scan the QR Code with your smartphone.
- Follow the steps outlined on the secure website.



**Vote by telephone**

- Call toll free 1-800-652-VOTE (8683) within the USA, US territories & Canada on a touch tone telephone.

Using a **black ink** pen, mark your votes with an X as shown in this example. Please do not write outside the designated areas.



**Annual Meeting Proxy Card**

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**q IF YOU HAVE NOT VOTED VIA THE INTERNET OR TELEPHONE, FOLD ALONG THE PERFORATION, DETACH AND RETURN THE BOTTOM PORTION IN THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE. q**

**A Proposals — The Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR all of the nominees listed and FOR proposals 2 – 5 and proposal 7 and 1 YEAR on proposal 6.**

1. Election of Directors:	<b>For</b>	<b>Withhold</b>		<b>For</b>	<b>Withhold</b>		<b>For</b>	<b>Withhold</b>	<b>+</b>		
01 – David J. Mazzo	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	02 – Paul Ashton	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	03 – Douglas Godshall	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
04 – Paul A. Hopper	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	05 – Michael Rogers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	06 – Peter G. Savas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
		<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Abstain</b>							
2. Approval of stock option grant to CEO Paul Ashton.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>								
3. Approval of stock option grant to the following non-executive directors:		<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Abstain</b>				
01 – Douglas Godshall	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	02 – Paul A. Hopper	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	03 – Michael Rogers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
04 – Peter G. Savas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	05 – David J. Mazzo	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
4. For purposes of ASX Listing Rule 7.4, to ratify the issuance and sale of 3,494,550 shares of common stock in July 2013.		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Approval on an advisory basis of pSivida Corp.'s 2013 executive compensation		<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Abstain</b>					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Advisory vote on the frequency of future advisory votes							<b>1 year</b>	<b>2 years</b>	<b>3 years</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	
							<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
7. Ratification of the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP.		<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Abstain</b>					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting to be Held on December 18, 2013: The proxy statement and the Annual Report for our fiscal year ended June 30, 2013 are available at [www.edocumentview.com/PSDV](http://www.edocumentview.com/PSDV) for street holders and [www.envisionreports.com/PSDV](http://www.envisionreports.com/PSDV) for registered holders.**

**IF VOTING BY MAIL, YOU MUST COMPLETE SECTIONS A - C ON BOTH SIDES OF THIS CARD.**

