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Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer

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**3M**

April 21, 2008

Dear Stockholder:

I am writing to solicit your support for the Company's proposed new Long-Term Incentive Plan to be voted on at the Annual Meeting scheduled to take place on May 13, 2008, and to provide some additional information regarding our existing equity compensation plans. Following is a table with information (as of December 31, 2007) about all of 3M's existing compensation plans under which shares of 3M common stock are authorized for issuance. This table also appears in the Company's most recent Form 10-K filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission on February 15, 2008.

**Equity Compensation Plans Information (1)**

Plan Category	A Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights	B Weighted-average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants and rights	C Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in column (A))
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders			
MSOP — Options	74,613,051	\$ 70.50	—
MSOP — RSU's	2,001,581	—	—
MSOP — Total	76,614,632	\$ 70.50	4,408,083
GESPP	—	—	8,940,650
Non-employee directors	—	—	504,893
Subtotal	76,614,632	\$ 70.50	13,853,626
Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders	—	—	—
Total	76,614,632	\$ 70.50	13,853,626

(1) The weighted-average exercise price in column B is only applicable to options issued under the MSOP. The number of securities remaining available for future issuance in column C is approved for the MSOP program in total and not individually with respect to MSOP — Options and MSOP — RSU's.

As our 2008 proxy statement explains, the new Long-Term Incentive Plan replaces the Performance Unit Plan and both the Management Stock Ownership Program (MSOP) and the Directors Stock Ownership Program. The purpose of this plan is to help 3M attract, retain and motivate outstanding employees to increase shareholder value by contributing to the long-term success of our Company and to more closely align the financial interests of these employees with those of other shareholders by linking a significant portion of their compensation to the performance of the Company. Your vote in favor of this proposal #3 is important to the continued success of our Company.

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We have also learned that the amounts reported in the "Present Value of Accumulated Benefits" column of the Pension Benefits Table in this year's proxy are the same as the amounts reported in last year's proxy. The following table includes the current information.

#### 2007 Pension Benefits Table

Name	Plan Name	Number of Years Credited Service (#)	Present Value of Accumulated Benefits (\$)	Payments During Last Fiscal Year (\$)
George W. Buckley	Employee Retirement Income Plan	2	70,342	0
	Nonqualified Pension Plan	2	1,370,990	0
	Supplemental Retirement Plan	2	12,148,337	0
Patrick D. Campbell	Employee Retirement Income Plan	5	144,001	0
	Nonqualified Pension Plan	5	694,366	0
	Supplemental Retirement Plan	5	1,353,187	0
Inge G. Thulin	Employee Retirement Income Plan	28	647,353	0
	Nonqualified Pension Plan	28	1,666,057	0
Moe S. Nozari	Employee Retirement Income Plan	36	1,173,188	0
	Nonqualified Pension Plan	36	4,512,409	0
Frederick J. Palensky	Employee Retirement Income Plan	31	906,260	0
	Nonqualified Pension Plan	31	2,211,686	0

Your vote is important. If you have not already voted, please follow the enclosed instructions on how to vote your shares. If you have already voted and would like to change your vote, you can revoke your proxy by voting again by following the enclosed instructions. The Notice of Annual Meeting, Proxy Statement and the 2007 Annual Report are available at [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com). Enter the 12-digit control number located on the enclosed Notice or proxy card and click on the meeting materials located under "View 2008 Shareholder material."

Thank you for your ongoing support of 3M.

Sincerely,

George W. Buckley

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