

BGC Partners, Inc.  
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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION**

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# BGC Partners, Inc.

499 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10022

**Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders  
to Be Held on December 14, 2009**

**The Company's 2009 Proxy Statement, 2008 Annual Report and any other materials relating to the Annual Meeting are available at:  
[www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com)**

This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet. We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting.

If you want to receive a paper or e-mail copy of these documents, you must request one. There is no charge to you for requesting a copy. Please make your request for a copy as instructed below on or before November 30, 2009 to facilitate timely delivery.

This Notice also constitutes Notice of the 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

Dear Stockholder of BGC Partners, Inc.:

The 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of BGC Partners, Inc. (the Company) will be held at 499 Park Avenue, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10022, on Monday, December 14, 2009, at 10:00 a.m. (local time).

Proposals to be considered at the Annual Meeting:

- (1) Election of Directors;
- (2) Approval of Second Amended and Restated BGC Partners, Inc. Long Term Incentive Plan; and
- (3) To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

The Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR Items 1 and 2.

The Board of Directors has fixed the close of business on October 19, 2009 as the record date (the Record Date) for the determination of stockholders entitled to receive notice of and to vote at the Annual Meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof.

**CONTROL NUMBER:**

**You may vote your proxy when you view the materials on the Internet.**

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**Meeting Location:**

**BGC Partners, Inc.**

**499 Park Avenue 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor**

**New York, NY 10022**

**The following Proxy Materials are available for you to review online:**

**the Company's 2009 Proxy Statement;  
the Company's 2008 Annual Report; and  
any other materials relating to the Annual Meeting.**

**To request a paper or e-mail copy of the Proxy Materials (you must reference your 12-digit control number)**

**Telephone: 1-800-579-1639**

**Email: [sendmaterial@proxyvote.com](mailto:sendmaterial@proxyvote.com)**

**Internet: [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com)**

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**The Proxy Materials for the 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of BGC Partners, Inc.**

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**OR WHEN YOU WANT TO VOTE YOUR PROXY.**

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