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Brookdale Senior Living Inc.

(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

Sandell Asset Management Corp.

Castlerigg Master Investments Ltd.

Castlerigg International Limited

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Castlerigg Merger Arbitrage and Equity Event Intermediate Fund, L.P.

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On March 16, 2015, Sandell Asset Management Corp. ("SAMC") issued a press release announcing its intention to nominate a slate of three independent candidates to stand for election to the board of directors (the "Board") of Brookdale Senior Living Inc. (the "Company"). A copy of the press release is filed herewith as Exhibit 1.

Information regarding the Participants in a solicitation of proxies from stockholders of the Company in connection with the Company's 2015 annual meeting of stockholders is filed herewith as Exhibit 2.