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8235 Forsyth Blvd. - 4th Floor Clayton, Missouri 63105

### NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS TO BE HELD ON JULY 15, 2011

June 8, 2011

#### TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF FUTUREFUEL CORP.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of shareholders of FutureFuel Corp. will be held on Friday, July 15, 2011 at 8235 Forsyth, 4th Floor, Clayton, Missouri 63105 at 10:00 a.m. local time, for the following purposes:

- (1) to elect three directors: Lee E. Mikles, Thomas R. Evans, and Paul M. Manheim;
- (2) to ratify the appointment of RubinBrown LLP as our independent auditor for the year ending December 31, 2011;
  - (3) to make an advisory vote on the compensation of our named executive officers;
- (4) to make an advisory vote on the frequency of an advisory vote on the compensation of our named executive officers; and
  - (5) to transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

The record date for the determination of holders of our common stock entitled to notice of and to vote at the annual meeting of shareholders is June 1, 2011. Only shareholders of record at the close of business on the record date will be entitled to vote at the annual meeting or any adjournment thereof. It is important that your shares be represented at this meeting to help ensure the presence of a quorum.

By Order of the Board of Directors, Douglas D. Hommert, Corporate Secretary

PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN THE ENCLOSED PROXY CARD AS PROMPTLY AS POSSIBLE, WHETHER YOU PLAN TO ATTEND THE MEETING OR NOT. YOU MAY WITHDRAW YOUR PROXY AT ANY TIME PRIOR TO THE MEETING, OR AT THE MEETING.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIALS FOR THE SHAREHOLDER MEETING TO BE HELD ON JULY 15, 2011

This notice, the proxy statement attached to this notice, and our annual report to shareholders for the year ended December 31, 2010 are available free of charge on the "Investor Relations" page of our website at http://ir.futurefuelcorporation.com/proxy.cfm.

### 8235 FORSYTH BLVD., 4TH FLOOR CLAYTON, MISSOURI 63105

### PROXY STATEMENT

This Proxy Statement contains information relating to the 2011 Annual Meeting of Shareholders of FutureFuel Corp. (the "Company", "we", "us," or "our"). Through this mailing, our board of directors is soliciting proxies for this annual meeting. Our Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 2010 is also enclosed with this Proxy Statement, as are proxy cards. These documents provide important information about our business, including audited financial statements.

Date, Time, and Place Information

Date, Time, and Place of the Meeting

The 2011 annual meeting of our shareholders will be held at our principal executive offices at 8235 Forsyth Blvd., 4th Floor, Clayton, Missouri 63105 on Friday, the 15th day of July, 2011 at 10:00 a.m., local time, subject to adjournments or postponements.

Approximate Date on Which this Proxy Statement Is First Sent to Security Holders

This Proxy Statement, the form of proxy included herein, and our Annual Report are first being sent or delivered to security holders on or around June 8, 2011.

Shareholder Proposals for the Next Annual Meeting

Any shareholder desiring to make a proposal to be acted upon at the 2012 annual meeting of our shareholders must present such proposal to us at our principal office set forth above by February 29, 2012 for the proposal to be considered for inclusion in our proxy statement for that annual meeting.

In addition to any other applicable requirements, for business properly to be brought before an annual meeting by a shareholder (including business not to be considered for inclusion in our proxy statement), our bylaws provide that the shareholder must have given timely notice thereof in proper written form to our corporate secretary. To be timely, a shareholder's notice must be delivered to or mailed and received at our principal office not less than 30 days nor more than 60 days prior to the annual meeting; provided, however, that in the event that less than 40 days' notice or prior public disclosure of the date of the annual meeting is given or made to shareholders, notice by the shareholder to be timely must be received not later than the close of business on the 20th day following the day on which such notice of the date of the annual meeting was mailed or such public disclosure was made. To be in proper written form, a shareholder's notice to our corporate secretary must set forth in writing as to each matter the shareholder proposes to bring before the annual meeting: (i) a brief description of the business desired to be brought before the annual meeting and the reason for conducting such business at the annual meeting; (ii) the name and address, as they appear on our books, of the shareholder proposing such business; (iii) the class and number of shares of our stock which are beneficially owned by the shareholder; and (iv) any material interest of the shareholder in such business.

Shareholder nominations for director must comply with the notice and informational requirements described above for other shareholder proposals, as well as additional information that would be required under applicable United States Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") proxy rules and the policies of the nominating/corporate governance committee of our board, particularly appendices A, B, and C of our nominating/corporate governance committee

charter. A copy of our nominating/corporate governance committee charter may be found on our internet web site at http://ir.futurefuelcorporation.com/governance.cfm. In addition, a copy may be obtained free of charge through a written request to us at our principal office set forth above, attention corporate secretary.

Matters to Be Voted Upon

The following matters are to be voted upon at the 2011 annual meeting of our shareholders.

### PROPOSAL ONE - ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Our board has nominated three persons for election to our board at the 2011 annual meeting of our shareholders: Lee E. Mikles, Thomas R. Evans, and Paul M. Manheim, each as a Class B director. Prior to co-founding us and becoming our president and chief executive officer, Mr. Mikles was a registered investment advisor for over two decades. He bore the responsibility of Mikles/Miller Management, Inc., and brings an understanding of the intricate financial complexities of hundreds of organizations analyzed and researched for investment potential for his company's investment portfolio. Additionally, Mr. Mikles has served on multiple boards of public companies where he most frequently serves on or heads the audit committee. He brings an extensive understanding of board issues and responsibilities to us.

Mr. Evans currently is the chief executive officer of Bankrate.com and has served in the chief executive position in numerous public and private companies with responsibility for financial reporting, strategy, and the development of multiple complex organizations. He brings a wealth of experience to our board.

Mr. Manheim is currently a consultant to and a corporate director of HAL Real Estate Investments Inc., which develops and owns a portfolio of real estate in the Pacific northwest consisting of multi-family, office, and mixed-use assets. He was the president and chief executive officer of HAL Real Estate Investments Inc. until September 2005. Mr. Manheim has also served as a director of several public and private companies, and is a chartered accountant. He brings a wealth of experience, especially in the accounting arena, to our board.

Under our certificate of incorporation, our directors are divided into three classes, which serve for staggered three-year terms. Mr. Mikles was originally elected as a director on August 22, 2005, Mr. Evans was originally elected as a director on May 24, 2006, and Mr. Manheim was originally appointed as a director on April 5, 2011. All three are standing for re-election. Each of these nominees has agreed, if elected at the 2011 annual meeting of our shareholders, to serve as a Class B member of our board for a three-year term expiring in 2014.

The persons named as attorneys-in-fact in the accompanying shareholder proxy card will vote for the election of the nominees listed above as director, unless authority to so vote is withheld. Although our board expects that the nominees will be available for election, in the event a vacancy in the slate of nominees occurs, shares of our common stock represented by proxies will be voted for the election of a substitute nominee selected by the persons named as attorneys-in-fact in the accompanying shareholder proxy card.

The name of the nominees for election and the other continuing members of our board, and certain other information with respect to such persons, are set forth below.

Nominee For Election as a Class B Director For the Three-Year Term Expiring in 2014

Name, Age, and Positions with the Company
Name, Age, and Positions with the Company
Lee E. Mikles, 55. Mr. Mikles has been our chief executive officer and president and a member of our board since inception. In addition, he served as our principal financial officer before our acquisition of
FutureFuel Chemical Company and thereafter through January 31, 2008.

Thomas R. Evans, 56. Mr. Evans has been a member of our board since	2006
May 24, 2006.	
Paul Manheim, 62. Mr. Manheim has been a member of our board since	2011
April 5, 2011.	

### **Continuing Directors**

Name, Age, and Positions with the Company	Class	Term Expiring	Director of the Company Since
Paul A. Novelly, 67. Mr. Novelly has been the executive chairman of our board since inception.	С	2012	2005
Edwin A. Levy, 74. Mr. Levy has been a member of our board since November 26, 2005.	A	2013	2005
Paul G. Lorenzini, 71. Mr. Lorenzini has been a member of our board since January 8, 2007 and our chief operating officer since April 21, 2008.	С	2012	2007
Donald C. Bedell, 70. Mr. Bedell has been a member of our board since February 26, 2008.	A	2013	2008
Richard L. Knowlton, 78. Mr. Knowlton has been a member of our board since January 8, 2007.	С	2012	2007

## OUR BOARD RECOMMENDS THAT SHAREHOLDERS VOTE FOR EACH OF THE NOMINEES FOR ELECTION AS DIRECTOR.

### PROPOSAL TWO - RATIFICATION OF INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

RubinBrown LLP was our independent auditor for the fiscal years ending December 31, 2008, 2009, and 2010. On March 10, 2011, the audit committee of our board took action to approve the retention of the accounting firm of RubinBrown LLP as the independent auditor for us for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2011. Our board subsequently approved the actions of the audit committee but made the decision to seek shareholder ratification of the appointment of RubinBrown LLP as our independent auditor for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011. A representative from the firm is expected to be present at the 2011 annual meeting of our shareholders and will have an opportunity to make a statement if he desires to do so and will be available to respond to shareholder questions. Additional information regarding our independent auditor is set forth under the caption "Independent Public Accountants" beginning at page 25 below. If our shareholders do not ratify the appointment of RubinBrown LLP, our board will consider the selection of other auditors.

In light of the foregoing, we ask our shareholders to vote on the following resolution at the 2011 annual meeting of our shareholders.

RESOLVED, that the shareholders of the Company ratify the selection of RubinBrown LLP as the Company's independent auditor for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011.

### OUR BOARD RECOMMENDS THAT SHAREHOLDERS VOTE FOR THIS PROPOSAL.

### PROPOSAL THREE - ADVISORY VOTE ON COMPENSATION OF OUR NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010 (the "Dodd-Frank Act") requires that we provide our shareholders with the opportunity to vote to approve, on a nonbinding, advisory basis, the compensation of our named executive officers as disclosed in this Proxy Statement, including the Compensation Discussion and

Analysis beginning at page18 below and the tabular disclosure regarding the compensation of our named executive officers and the accompanying narrative.

This proposal (often referred to as a "say-on-pay" proposal), gives our shareholders the opportunity to endorse, or not endorse, the compensation of our named executive officers. The vote on the proposal is not intended to address any specific element of executive compensation. Further, the vote is advisory, which means that it is not binding on the Company, our board, or the compensation committee of our board. We expect, however, that our compensation committee will take into account the outcome of the vote when considering future executive compensation decisions.

As discussed in more detail under Compensation of Directors and Executive Officers beginning at page 18 below, we seek to offer a compensation structure designed to compare favorably with our competitive peer group while taking into account the experience and responsibilities of the particular executive officer and to provide compensation incentives that promote the enhancement of shareholder value, and the total executive compensation opportunity for our executive officers is intended to create a compensation program that maximizes executive talent and rewards a high level of performance.

In light of the foregoing, we ask our shareholders to vote on the following resolution at the 2011 annual meeting of our shareholders.

RESOLVED, that the shareholders of the Company approve, on an advisory basis, the compensation of the named executive officers, as disclosed in the Company's Proxy Statement for the 2011 Annual Meeting of Shareholders pursuant to the compensation disclosure rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the Compensation Discussion and Analysis, the 2010 Summary Compensation Table, and the other related tables and narrative disclosure.

### OUR BOARD RECOMMENDS THAT SHAREHOLDERS VOTE FOR THIS PROPOSAL.

## PROPOSAL FOUR – ADVISORY VOTE ON THE FREQUENCY OF AN ADVISORY VOTE ON COMPENSATION OF OUR NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

The Dodd-Frank Act also requires that shareholders be given the opportunity to vote, on a non-binding, advisory basis, as to how frequently the Company should seek future "say on pay" advisory votes on the compensation of our named executive officers. More specifically, we are asking whether our shareholders would prefer that the "say on pay" advisory vote occur every year, every two years, or every three years. (Shareholders also may, if they wish, abstain from casting a vote on this proposal.)

After careful consideration, our board has determined that an advisory vote on executive compensation that occurs every third year is the most appropriate alternative for us, and our board therefor recommends that you vote for a "say on pay" advisory vote every three years. Our board believes that an advisory vote on executive compensation every three years more closely aligns the vote with the principles of our executive compensation program, which focuses on long-term stockholder value rather than short-term goals. Accordingly, we believe stockholder feedback would be more useful if our compensation program and management's performance is judged over an extended period of time. Moreover, an advisory vote every three years will be the most effective timeframe for us to respond to stockholder feedback and the vote results, and implement any appropriate adjustments to our executive compensation policies in light of the vote. A three-year interval would also allow stockholders to see and evaluate our actions in response to the vote. We also recognize, however, that our shareholders may have different views as to the best approach for us, and we look forward to hearing from our shareholders as to their preferences on the frequency of the "say on pay" advisory vote.

Our board anticipates that the alternative that receives the highest number of votes will be the frequency for the advisory vote on our executive compensation in the future. Because the vote on the frequency of the "say on pay" advisory vote also is advisory, it is not binding on our board or the Company in any way. We expect, however, that our board and our compensation committee will take the outcome of the vote into account when considering the frequency of future advisory votes on executive compensation.

Shareholders may cast a vote on the preferred voting frequency by selecting the option of one year, two years, or three years (or abstain) when voting in response to the following resolution.

RESOLVED, that the shareholders of the Company determine, on an advisory basis, whether the preferred frequency of an advisory vote on the executive compensation of the Company's named executive officers as set forth in the Company's proxy statement should be every year, every two years, or every three years.

## OUR BOARD RECOMMENDS THAT YOU VOTE FOR THE OPTION OF EVERY THIRD YEAR ON THIS PROPOSAL.

### Revocability of Proxy

Execution and return of a proxy card will not in any way affect a shareholder's right to attend and to vote in person at the 2011 annual meeting of our shareholders. Any proxy may be revoked by the shareholder giving it, at any time prior to its being voted, by: (i) filing a notice of revocation with our corporate secretary at 8235 Forsyth Blvd., 4th Floor, Clayton, Missouri 63105; (ii) executing and delivering a duly executed proxy bearing a later date; or (iii) attending the 2011 annual meeting of our shareholders and voting in person. A notice of revocation need not be on any specific form. Attendance at the 2011 annual meeting of our shareholders will not by itself constitute revocation of a proxy.

### Dissenters Rights of Appraisal

There are no rights of appraisal or similar rights of dissenters with respect to any matter to be acted upon at the 2011 annual meeting of our shareholders.

### Persons Making the Solicitation

The solicitation in this Proxy Statement is being made by us. We will solicit proxies by mail or by telephone, and our directors, officers, and employees also may solicit proxies, without additional compensation, on our behalf. We will not be using any specially engaged employees or paid solicitors. All expenses incurred in this solicitation will be paid by us. Banks, brokerage houses, and other institutions, nominees, and fiduciaries will be requested to forward the proxy materials to beneficial owners and to obtain authorization for the execution of proxies.

None of our directors has informed us in writing that he intends to oppose any action intended to be taken by us at the 2011 annual meeting of our shareholders.

#### Interest of Certain Persons in Matters to be Acted Upon

None of our directors, executive officers, the nominees for director, or any of their associates has any substantial interest, direct or indirect, by security holdings or otherwise, in any matter to be acted upon at the 2011 annual meeting of our shareholders.

### Voting Securities and Principal Holders Thereof

### **Voting Securities**

We only have one class of voting stock outstanding, and that is our common stock. As of May 24, 2011, there were outstanding 39,983,849 shares of our common stock. Each share of our common stock issued and outstanding on the record date is entitled to one vote on each proposal at the 2011 annual meeting of our shareholders.

### Record Date

Our board has fixed the close of business on June 1, 2011 as the record date for the determination of our shareholders entitled to receive notice of, and to vote at, the 2011 annual meeting of our shareholders. Accordingly, only holders of record of shares of our common stock at the close of business on the record date are entitled to notice of the 2011 annual meeting of our shareholders and to attend and vote at such meeting.

### **Cumulative Voting Rights**

Holders of our common stock do not have cumulative voting rights.

Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners

The following table sets forth the number and percentage of shares of our common stock owned by all persons known by us to be the beneficial owners of more than 5% of our shares of common stock as of May 24, 2011.

	Amount of	Percent of Common
Name and Address of Beneficial Owner	Ownership	Stock
Paul A. Novelly, 8235 Forsyth Blvd., 4th Floor, Clayton, MO	•	
63105(a)	17,560,100	43.9%
Lee E. Mikles, 1486 E. Valley Road, Santa Barbara, CA		
93108(b)	2,313,350	5.8%
SOF Investments, L.P., 645 5th Avenue, 21st Floor, New York,		
NY 10022(c)	3,600,000	9.0%
Revelation Special Situations Fund Ltd., Canon's Court, 22		
Victoria Street, Hamilton, Bermuda DO HM 11(d)	5,975,114	14.9%
David M. Knott, 485 Underhill Blvd., Suite 205, Syosset, New		
York 11791-3419(e)	2,204,380	5.5%

<sup>(</sup>a) Includes 16,835,100 shares of common stock held by St. Albans Global Management, Limited Partnership, LLLP, 625,000 shares of common stock held by Apex Holding Co., and 100,000 shares of common stock held by Mr. Novelly. Mr. Novelly is the chief executive officer of both of these entities and thereby has voting and investment power over such shares, but he disclaims beneficial ownership except to the extent of a minor pecuniary interest.

- (b) Includes 2,047,100 shares of common stock held by the Lee E. Mikles Revocable Trust dated March 26, 1996, 5,000 shares held by Mr. Mikles' IRA account, and 25,000 shares held by an SEP. Also includes 120,000 shares of common stock held by the Lee E. Mikles Gift Trust dated October 6, 1999, as to which Mr. Mikles is the settlor of the trust, but is not a trustee or a beneficiary. Mr. Mikles disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares owned by the Lee E. Mikles Gift Trust. Also includes 27,500 shares held by the Alison L. Mikles Irrevocable Trust. Miss Mikles is the minor child of Mr. Mikles and lives in Mr. Mikles' household. However, Mr. Mikles is not the trustee or beneficiary of such trust and disclaims beneficial ownership. Also includes 88,750 shares of common stock held by Lori Mikles, the spouse of Mr. Mikles. Mr. Mikles disclaims beneficial ownership thereof.
- (c) Based solely upon a review of a Schedule 13G filed on February 14, 2008, we understand that SOF Investments, L.P. is the record and direct beneficial owner of 1,800,000 shares of common stock listed above, MSD Capital, L.P. is the general partner of SOF Investments, L.P. and may be deemed to indirectly beneficially own securities owned by SOF Investments, L.P., and MSD Capital Management LLC is the general partner of MSD Capital, L.P. Except as set forth in this footnote, we have no knowledge as to the beneficial owners of these entities. In addition, we are aware that, on or around June 7, 2010, SOF Investments, L.P. exercised warrants and acquired an additional 1,800,000 shares of our common stock.
- (d) Formerly known as Osmium Special Situations Fund Ltd. Based solely on Amendment No. 4 to Schedule 13D filed with the SEC on February 7, 2011 and Form 4s filed with the SEC thereafter. Mr. Chris Kuchanny, as chairman and chief executive officer of Revelation Special Situations Fund Ltd., may, by virtue of such position, be deemed to have beneficial ownership of such shares and warrants. Mr. Kuchanny disclaims beneficial

ownership other than the portion of such shares which relates to his individual economic interest in Revelation Special Situations Fund Ltd. Except as set fort in this footnote, we have no knowledge as to the beneficial owners of Revelation Special Situation Funds Ltd.

(e) Based solely on Form 3 and Form 4s filed with the SEC. Knott Partners, L.P. beneficially owns 895,900 shares of common stock. Shoshone Partners, L.P. beneficially owns 236,630 shares of common stock. Mulsanne Partners, L.P. beneficially owns 178,400 shares of common stock. Knott Partners Offshore Master Fund, L.P. beneficially owns 824,150 shares of common stock. 69,300 shares of common stock are held in accounts managed by Dorset Management Corporation. David M. Knott is the managing member of Knott Partners Management, LLC, a general partner of Knott Partners, L.P. and the sole director of Dorset Management Corporation. Knott Partners Management, LLC is: (i) the sole general partner of Shoshone Partners, L.P., Knott Partners Offshore Master Fund, L.P. and Mulsanne Partners, L.P.; and (ii) the managing general partner of Knott Partners, L.P. As a result of Mr. Knott's interests in Knott Partners Management, LLC and in Dorset Management Corporation, Mr. Knott has investment discretion and control of the securities described above. Mr. Knott may be deemed to beneficially own an indirect pecuniary interest in the securities described above as a result of its performance-related fee. Except with respect to Knott Partners, L.P., Knott Partners Offshore Master Fund, L.P. and Shoshone Partners, L.P., in which Mr. Knott owns a beneficial interest, Mr. Knott disclaims beneficial ownership therein except to the extent ultimately realized. Each of Knott Partners, L.P., Knott Partners Offshore Master Fund, L.P., Shoshone Partners, L.P., Mulsanne Partners, L.P. and each of the managed accounts disclaims beneficial ownership of securities reported as owned by any other party. Except as set forth in this footnote, we have no knowledge as to the beneficial owners of these entities. On February 9, 2011, Mr. Knott filed with the SEC a Form 13G/A wherein he did not disclose the ownership of Mulsanne Partners, L.P.

### Security Ownership of Management

The following table sets forth information, as of May 24, 2011, regarding the beneficial ownership of our common stock by each of our directors and executive officers and the executive officers of FutureFuel Chemical Company. Unless otherwise indicated, we believe that all persons named in the table below have sole voting and investment power with respect to all shares of common stock beneficially owned by them and none of such shares have been pledged as security.

Name of Daniel Carlotte	Amount of	Percent of Common
Name of Beneficial Owner	Ownership	Stock
Paul A. Novelly(a)	17,560,100	43.9%
Lee E. Mikles(b)	2,313,350	5.8%
Paul G. Lorenzini(c)	656,000	1.6%
Edwin A. Levy(d)	274,550	0.7%
Douglas D. Hommert(e)	260,000	0.7%
Richard L. Knowlton	160,000	0.4%
Thomas R. Evans	30,000	0.1%
Donald C. Bedell(f)	22,900	0.1%
Sam Dortch(g)	34,816	0.1%
David Baker	7,150	0.0%
Gary Hess	10,100	0.0%
Christopher Schmitt	500	0.0%
Paul M. Manheim	-	0.0%
All directors and executive officers	21,329,466	53.3%

<sup>(</sup>a) Includes 16,835,100 shares of common stock held by St. Albans Global Management, Limited Partnership, LLLP, 625,000 shares of common stock held by Apex Holding Co., and 100,000 shares of common stock held by Mr. Novelly. Mr. Novelly is the chief executive officer of both of these entities and thereby has voting and investment power over such shares, but he disclaims beneficial ownership except to the extent of a minor pecuniary interest.

<sup>(</sup>b) Includes 2,047,100 shares of common stock held by the Lee E. Mikles Revocable Trust dated March 26, 1996, 5,000 shares held by Mr. Mikles' IRA account, and 25,000 shares held by an SEP. Also includes 120,000 shares of common stock held by the Lee E. Mikles Gift Trust dated October 6, 1999, as to which Mr. Mikles is the settlor of the trust, but is not a trustee or a beneficiary. Mr. Mikles disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares owned by the Lee E. Mikles Gift Trust. Also includes 27,500 shares held by the Alison L. Mikles Irrevocable Trust. Miss Mikles is the minor child of Mr. Mikles and lives in Mr. Mikles' household. However, Mr. Mikles is not the trustee or beneficiary of such trust and disclaims beneficial ownership. Also includes 88,750 shares of common stock held by Lori Mikles, the spouse of Mr. Mikles. Mr. Mikles disclaims beneficial ownership thereof.

<sup>(</sup>c) Includes 55,000 shares of common stock owned by Mr. Lorenzini's spouse; Mr. Lorenzini disclaims beneficial ownership thereof. Includes 5,000 shares owned by the Lorenzini Friends and Family Gift Trust, a trust established by Mr. Lorenzini and his spouse, as to which Mr. Lorenzini and his spouse are the trustees but not the beneficiaries; Mr. Lorenzini disclaims any beneficial interest in the shares of our common stock held by this trust.

<sup>(</sup>d) Does not included 525 shares of our common stock owned by The Edwin A. Levy Charitable Foundation, Inc., a New York not-for-profit corporation as to which Mr. Levy is a founder and director but not a beneficiary. Mr. Levy disclaims beneficial ownership of shares owned by the Foundation.

- (e) Includes 250,000 shares of common stock held by the Douglas D. Hommert Revocable Trust, which is a trust established by Mr. Hommert for the benefit of his descendants, of which Mr. Hommert is the trustee. Also includes 10,000 shares held by a trust established for Mr. Hommert's spouse; Mr. Hommert disclaims beneficial ownership thereof.
- (f) Includes 2,300 shares of common stock owned by the Alexandra Nicole Bedell Trust, a trust established by Mr. Bedell for his granddaughter as to which Mr. Bedell serves as trustee but holds no pecuniary interest; Mr. Bedell disclaims beneficial ownership of all shares of our common stock held by this trust. Includes 2,300 shares of common stock owned by the Ashlyn Tate Bedell Trust, a trust established by Mr. Bedell for his granddaughter as to which Mr. Bedell serves as trustee but holds no pecuniary interest; Mr. Bedell disclaims beneficial ownership of all shares of our common stock held by this trust. Includes 2,300 shares of common stock owned by the Hailey Bedell Trust, a trust established by Mr. Bedell for his granddaughter as to which Mr. Bedell serves as trustee but holds no pecuniary interest; Mr. Bedell disclaims beneficial ownership of all shares of our common stock held by this trust. Also includes 16,000 shares of our common stock held by the Africa Exempt Trust, of which Mr. Bedell is a beneficiary.
- (g) Includes 34,716 shares of common stock held in Mr. Dortch's 401(k) plan account.

### Change in Control

We are not aware of any arrangement (including any pledge by any person of any of our securities) the operation of which may at a date subsequent to the date of this Proxy Statement result in a change in control of us. Further, we are not aware that a change in control of us has occurred since the beginning of our last fiscal year.

### **Directors and Executive Officers**

### Material Proceedings

No director, officer, or affiliate of us, no owner of record or beneficially of more than five percent of any class of our voting securities, and no associate of any such director, officer, affiliate, or owner is a party in any material proceeding adverse to us or to any of our subsidiaries.

Directors, Executive Officers, Promoters, and Control Persons

### **Identification of Directors**

Our current directors are as follows.

		Director	Term
Name	Age	Since	Expires
Paul A. Novelly, executive chairman of the board	67	2005	2012
Lee E. Mikles, chief executive officer and president	55	2005	2011
Edwin A. Levy	74	2005	2013
Thomas R. Evans	56	2006	2011
Richard L. Knowlton	78	2007	2012
Paul G. Lorenzini, chief operating officer	71	2007	2012
Donald C. Bedell	70	2008	2013
Paul M. Manheim	62	2011	2011

There is no arrangement or understanding between any of the above directors and any other person pursuant to which such person was or is to be selected as a director.

### **Identification of Executive Officers**

The current executive officers of the Company are as follows.

	Position		Officer
Name		Age	Since
Paul A. Novelly	Executive chairman of the board	67	2005
Lee E. Mikles	Chief executive officer and president	55	2005
Paul G. Lorenzini	Chief operating officer	71	2008
Douglas D. Hommert	Principal financial officer, executive vice	55	2005
	president, secretary, and treasurer		

There is no arrangement or understanding between any of the above officers and any other person pursuant to which such person was or is to be selected as an officer.

### Identification of Certain Significant Employees

The following individuals are executive officers of FutureFuel Chemical Company who are expected to make significant contributions to our business.

	Position		Officer
Name		Age	Since
Samuel Dortch	Executive vice president and general	62	2007
	manager		
David Baker	Senior vice president - operations support	64	2006
Gary Hess	Senior vice president - commercial	59	2006
	operations		
Christopher Schmitt	Chief financial officer	32	2011

There is no arrangement or understanding between any of the above officers and any other person pursuant to which such person was or is to be selected as an officer.

### Family Relationships

There is no family relationship between any of our executive officers and directors.

#### Business Experience of Our Directors and Executive Officers

Paul A. Novelly has been our chairman of the board since inception. For at least the past five years, Mr. Novelly has been chairman and chief executive officer of Apex Oil Company, Inc., a privately-held company based in St. Louis, Missouri engaged in the trading, storage, marketing, and transportation of petroleum products, including liquid terminal facilities in the midwest and eastern United States, and towboat and barge operations on the inland waterway system. Mr. Novelly is president and a director of AIC Limited, a Bermuda-based oil trading company, chairman and a director of World Point Holdings Inc., a Delaware company based in Missouri which owns and operates petroleum storage facilities in the United States, and chief executive officer of St. Albans Global Management, Limited Partnership, LLLP, which provides corporate management services. He currently serves on the board of directors at Boss Holdings, Inc., a distributor of work gloves, boots and rainwear, and other consumer products, and Bond Street Holdings, Inc., a holding company whose material subsidiary is Premier American Bank, N.A. Within the past five years, Mr. Novelly also served on the board of directors of Intrawest Corporation, a company in the destination resorts and adventure travel industry, The Bear Stearns Companies, Inc., a broker-dealer and global securities and investment

firm, and World Point Terminals Inc., a Canadian and Toronto Stock Exchange predecessor to World Point Holdings Inc.

Lee E. Mikles has been our chief executive officer and a member of our board since inception. In addition, he served as our principal financial officer before our acquisition of FutureFuel Chemical Company and thereafter through January 31, 2008. Mr. Mikles was chairman of Mikles/Miller Management, Inc., a registered investment adviser and home to the Kodiak family of funds, between 1992 and 2005. He was also chairman of Mikles/Miller Securities, LLC, a registered broker-dealer, between 1999 and 2005. Additionally, Mr. Mikles has served on the board of directors of Pacific Capital Bankcorp., Official Payments Corporation, Coastcast Corporation, Nelnet, Inc., Imperial Bank and Imperial Bancorp. He currently serves on the board of directors of Boss Holdings, Inc. and is the chair of the audit committee for Boss Holdings, Inc.

Paul G. Lorenzini has been a member of our board since January 2007 and our chief operating officer since April 21, 2008. In January 1970, Mr. Lorenzini co-founded Packaging Consultants, Inc., a distribution business supplying packaging materials to the food industry. In 1983, Bunzl PLC, a supplier of supermarket and food service packaging, acquired Packaging Consultants, Inc. Mr. Lorenzini continued to work for Bunzl PLC and in 1986 became president of Bunzl USA. He subsequently became the chief executive officer of Bunzl USA and retired in July 2004 with the title of chairman emeritus. Mr. Lorenzini served as a director of Bunzl PLC between 1988 and 1991 and between 1999 and 2004.

Douglas D. Hommert has been our executive vice president, secretary, and treasurer since inception. He was a member of our board from inception through January 14, 2008. He became our principal financial officer on February 1, 2008. Mr. Hommert has been executive vice president and general counsel of Apex Oil Company, Inc. since September 2002. Between October 1988 and September 2002, he was a partner in the St. Louis law firm of Lewis, Rice & Fingersh, L.C. With that firm, he practiced in the areas of business law, taxation, mergers and acquisitions, financing, and partnerships. He was licensed as a Certified Public Accountant in 1982.

Edwin A. Levy has been a member of our board since November 2005. In 1979, Mr. Levy co-founded Levy, Harkins & Co., Inc., an investment advisory firm, where he now serves as chairman of the board and individual advisor. Mr. Levy was a director of Traffix, Inc. between November 1995 and 2006, and served as a member of its audit committee and stock options committee. He is a director of World Point Holdings Inc., a Delaware company based in Missouri which owns and operates petroleum storage facilities in the United States. In the past five years Mr. Levy was a director of Forward Industries, Inc., a publicly-held company in the business of designing, manufacturing and distributing custom carrying case solutions, and World Point Terminals Inc., a Canadian and Toronto Stock Exchange predecessor to World Point Holdings Inc.

Thomas R. Evans has been a member of our board since May 2006. Since June 2004, he has served as president and chief executive officer of Bankrate, Inc., an Internet based aggregator of financial rate information. Mr. Evans was elected to Bankrate, Inc.'s board of directors in May 2004. From 1999 to 2002, Mr. Evans was chairman and chief executive officer of Official Payments Corporation, an Internet processor of payment to government entities.

Richard L. Knowlton has been a member of our board since January 2007. Between 1956 and 1995, Mr. Knowlton worked for Hormel Foods Corporation, a multinational manufacturer and marketer of consumer-branded meat and food products. He started as a merchandising manager and became the president and chief operating officer in 1979. He became the chief executive officer and chairman of the board in 1981. Mr. Knowlton was elected chairman of The Hormel Foundation in 1995, which votes 47.7% of the stock of Hormel Foods Corporation. Mr. Knowlton is chairman emeritus of the Horatio Alger Association, a member of the Business Advisory Council for the University of Colorado Leeds School of Business, a business advisor to Mayo Clinic, and a member of the Eisenhower Medical Center Board. Mr. Knowlton served as a director of ING America Insurance Holdings, Inc. between 2000 and 2005.

Donald C. Bedell has been a member of our board since March 17, 2008. Mr. Bedell is chairman of the board of privately held Castle Partners and its affiliates, based in Sikeston, Missouri, which operate over 35 skilled nursing, health care, pharmaceutical, hospice, and therapy facilities throughout Missouri and other states. Mr. Bedell is a director of First Community Bank of Batesville, Arkansas and is a member of the executive committee of such bank and its holding company. He is also a director of World Point Holdings Inc., serving as chairman of World Point's Corporate Governance and Human Resources Committees. FutureFuel Corp.'s chairman, Paul A. Novelly, is the chairman of the board of World Point Holdings Inc. In the past five years, Mr. Bedell has served on the board of directors of World Point Terminals Inc., a Canadian and Toronto Stock Exchange predecessor to World Point Holdings Inc.

Samuel Dortch was the vice president - operations services of FutureFuel Chemical Company between July 30, 2007 and October 14, 2007 and senior vice president - operations between October 15, 2007 and August 30, 2010. On

August 30, 2010, Mr. Dortch became FutureFuel Chemical Company's executive vice president and general manager. In 1972, Mr. Dortch joined Eastman Chemical Company's technical services division in Kingsport, Tennessee as a development chemical engineer. He has served in numerous management positions in Kingsport, Batesville and at Eastman Kodak's Kirby, England facility. In 2004, Mr. Dortch became manager of research and development at the Batesville plant and director of research and development in December 2006.

David Baker was the vice president - manufacturing operations of FutureFuel Chemical Company between October 31, 2006 and October 14, 2007 and has been senior vice president - operations support since October 15, 2007. In 1967, he joined Eastman Chemical Company's filter products division in Kingsport, Tennessee as a development engineer. In 2001, Mr. Baker was named managing director of Eastman Chemical Company's Peboc division, relocating to the United Kingdom. The Peboc division manufactures specialty chemicals including active pharmaceutical ingredients. In August 2005, Mr. Baker relocated to Kingsport as a business development manager in performance chemicals exclusive manufacturing. Mr. Baker is a registered professional engineer and past president of the East Tennessee Society of Professional Engineers.

Gary Hess was the vice president - commercial operations of FutureFuel Chemical Company between October 31, 2006 and October 14, 2007, senior vice president - sales and marketing between October 15, 2007 and March 12, 2008 and senior vice president - commercial operations since March 13, 2008. Mr. Hess was the vice president for commercial operations for Bayer Corporation, where he had responsibility for sales, marketing, customer service, purchasing, research and development and quality control, prior to joining Eastman Chemical Company in December 2002 as the market development executive for agrochemicals. During his tenure with Bayer Corporation, Mr. Hess resided two years in Germany where he directed the market development efforts in pharmaceutical intermediates and photographic chemicals. In 2004, he was appointed to the position of global business leader for exclusive manufacturing with responsibility for sales, marketing and business development. Mr. Hess graduated from Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology with a bachelor of science in chemistry and has a masters in business administration from Northwestern University.

Christopher Schmitt has been the interim chief financial officer of FutureFuel Chemical Company since February 3, 2011. Mr. Schmitt was a middle distillates operator for A.I.C. Limited from September 2009 to February 2011. A.I.C. Limited is an affiliate of the Company's chairman, Paul A. Novelly. In this position, Mr. Schmitt assisted with the management and logistics of middle distillate product movements in Northwest Europe. From 2003 to September 2009, Mr. Schmitt served as vice president of Pinnacle Consulting, Inc., an accounting and financial consulting firm based in St. Louis, Missouri. Pinnacle Consulting, Inc. performs services for the Company's chairman and affiliates of the Company's chairman. Prior to that, Mr. Schmitt served as an auditor for the accounting firms Arthur Andersen & Co. and KPMG LLP. Mr. Schmitt is a licensed certified public accountant and a CFA charter holder.

Paul M. Manheim is currently a consultant to and a corporate director of HAL Real Estate Investments Inc., which develops and owns a portfolio of real estate in the Pacific northwest consisting of multi-family, office, and mixed-use assets. He was the president and chief executive officer of HAL Real Estate Investments Inc. until September 2005. HAL Real Estate Investments Inc. is a subsidiary of HAL Holding N.V. Mr. Manheim joined Holland America Line, N.V., the predecessor of HAL Holding N.V., an international holding company traded on the Amsterdam Stock Exchange, in 1982 and filled various positions in the financial and corporate development areas. Since June 2005, Mr. Manheim has been the chairman of the board of Shanghai Red Star Optical Company, which owns a portfolio of optical retail outlets in China and is affiliated with Europe's largest optical retailer. Mr. Manheim has served as a director of World Point Holdings, Inc. and its predecessor World Point Terminals Inc. since 2009, and is chairman of the audit committee of World Point Holdings, Inc. Within the past five years, Mr. Manheim was the chairman and managing director of HAL Investments Asia B.V. and served as a director of Intrawest Corporation. Mr. Manheim received a bachelor of commerce degree with honors from the University of New South Wales, Australia, and is a chartered accountant.

### Transactions with Related Persons

The following are the transactions, since January 1, 2010, in which we were a participant and the amount involved exceeds \$120,000, and in which any person related to us had or will have a direct or indirect material interest.

### Sales of Products

From time to time, as part of our biofuels segment, we sell to Apex Oil Company, Inc. and/or its affiliates biofuels (including biodiesel) produced by us, and Apex Oil Company, Inc. and/or its affiliates sell to us, or we sell to them, diesel fuel, gasoline, and other petroleum products. Such sales and/or purchases are executed at the then current market price of the respective product or the then current posted price for comparable products, plus or minus applicable geographical differentials. The dollar amount of such transactions during 2010 was approximately \$93,000. Apex Oil Company, Inc. is beneficially owned by our executive chairman, Paul A. Novelly and his family, as well as certain employees of Apex Oil Company, Inc., Mr. Novelly is the chairman and chief executive officer of Apex Oil Company, Inc., and our executive vice president, Douglas D. Hommert, is also the executive vice president of Apex Oil Company, Inc. and the president of Apex Oil Company, Inc.'s sole shareholder, Apex Holding Co.

### Natural Gas Purchases

We utilize natural gas to generate steam for our manufacturing process and to support certain of our air and waste treatment utilities. This natural gas is purchased through Enjet LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Apex Oil Company, Inc. Expenses related to these purchases include the cost of the natural gas only; transportation charges are paid to an independent third party. The dollar amount of such transactions during 2010 was approximately \$3,846,000.

### Distribution and Related Services

Distribution and related services are comprised of: (i) storage and terminally serves paid to a wholly-owned subsidiary of World Point Holdings, Inc. for the storage and throughput of biodiesel, petrodiesel, and biodiesel/ petrodiesel blends; and (ii) barge transportation and related unloading charges for petrodiesel that were arranged and paid by Apex Oil Company, Inc. and/or one or more of its subsidiaries and subsequently rebilled to us. The dollar amount of such transactions during 2010 was approximately \$526,000. Mr. Novelly and his family beneficially own approximately 53% of World Point Holdings Inc., Mr. Novelly is the chairman and chief executive officer of World Point Holdings, Inc., and our executive vice president, Douglas D. Hommert, is also the executive vice president of Center Point Terminal Company, a wholly-owned subsidiary of World Point Holdings, Inc. and the entity with which we have the storage and terminalling agreement.

### Commodity Trading Advisory Fees

We entered into a commodity trading advisory agreement with Apex Oil Company, Inc. Pursuant to the terms of this agreement, Apex Oil Company, Inc. provides advice to us concerning the purchase, sale, exchange, conversion, and/or hedging of commodities as we may request from time to time. The dollar amount of such transactions during 2010 was approximately \$151,000.

### Travel and Administrative Services

We reimburse St. Albans Global Management, Limited Partnership, LLLP and First Montecito Advisors, LLC for travel and other administrative expenses incurred by them in connection with our executive chairman, Paul A. Novelly, and our chief executive officer and president, Lee E. Mikles, providing services to us. Mr. Novelly's family beneficially owns St. Albans Global Management, Limited Partnership, LLLP and Mr. Mikles' family beneficially owns First Montecito Advisors, LLC. Such reimbursements are at cost with the affiliate realizing no profit on the transaction. The dollar amount of such transactions during 2010 was approximately \$190,000.

Review, Approval, or Ratification of Transactions with Related Persons

Any transaction in which we (or one of our subsidiaries) are a participant, the amount involved exceeds the lesser of \$120,000 or 1% of our net income, total assets, or total capital, and in which any party related to us has or will have a direct or indirect material interest must be approved by a majority of the disinterested members of our board as fair to us and our shareholders. This policy was adopted by our board on January 8, 2007 and amended on February 2, 2011, and can be found through the "Investors Relations – Corporate Governance" section of our internet website (http://ir.futurefuelcorporation.com/governance.cfm). A copy of this policy will also be provided free of charge pursuant to written request to our corporate secretary at our executive offices set forth above. Each of the transactions described above (under the caption "Transactions With Related Persons") was approved by a majority of the disinterested members of our board.

In addition, we adopted a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics which sets forth legal and ethical standards of conduct for our directors, officers, and employees and the directors, officers, and employees of our subsidiaries. This Code is designed to deter wrongdoing and to promote: (i) honest and ethical conduct, including the ethical handling of actual or apparent conflicts of interest between personal and professional relationships; (ii) full, fair, accurate, timely, and understandable disclosure in reports and documents that we file with, or submit to, the SEC and in other public communications made by us; (iii) compliance with applicable governmental laws, rules, and regulations; (iv) the prompt internal reporting of violations of this Code to appropriate persons identified in this Code; and (v) accountability for adherence to this Code. This Code was adopted by our board on November 30, 2005 and was amended on February 3, 2011, is in writing, and can be found through the "Investor Relations - Corporate Governance" section of our internet website (http://ir.futurefuelcorporation.com/governance.cfm). A copy of this policy will also be provided free of charge pursuant to written request to our corporate secretary at our executive offices set forth above. Each of the transactions described above (under the caption "Transactions with Related Persons") was undertaken in compliance with our Code of Business Conduct and Ethics.

### Compliance with Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act

Based solely upon a review of Forms 3 and Forms 4 and amendments thereto furnished to us under the rules of the SEC promulgated under Section 16 of the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010, and Forms 5 and amendments thereto furnished to us with respect to the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010, as well as any written representation from a reporting person that no Form 5 is required, we are aware that the following members of our board and/or beneficial owners of more than 10% of our common stock failed to file on a timely basis, as disclosed in the aforementioned forms, reports required by Section 16 of the Exchange Act during the year ended December 31, 2010.

- Osmium Special Situations Fund Ltd. (now known as Revelation Special Situations Fund Ltd. and which owns more than 10% of our issued and outstanding common stock) failed to timely file ten reports covering fourteen transactions.
  - Donald C. Bedell (our director) failed to timely file one report covering one transaction.
- Paul G. Lorenzini (our director and chief operating officer) failed to timely file one report covering one transaction.

### **Audit Committee Expert**

Our board has determined that each member of our audit committee is an audit committee financial expert. During 2010, each such member of our audit committee was independent, as independence for audit committee members is defined in the listing standards applicable to us.

Board Leadership Structure and Role in Risk Oversight

### **Board Leadership Structure**

We have a board currently comprised of eight members, including Mr. Manheim who was appointed to our board on April 5, 2011. Our executive chairman is Mr. Novelly. Our executive chairman presides over all meetings of our board and at all meetings of our shareholders. He provides strategic leadership and guidance to our board and management, he advises and consults with our chief executive officer, chief operating officer, and other executive officers, and he works with management and other committees of our board regarding strategies, risks, opportunities, and other matters.

Mr. Mikles is a director as well as our principal executive officer and president. Our principal executive officer and president is our senior most executive officer and has the powers and duties incident to that position. He is our principal management officer with responsibility for supervision of our executive and senior management. His duties include developing strategic and tactical initiatives in consultation with our executive chairman and other members of our executive management.

Mr. Lorenzini is a director as well as our chief operating officer. He is our principal officer with responsibility for the operations of our businesses. His duties include developing strategic and tactical initiatives with our executive chairman and other members of our executive management, as well as implementing those initiatives.

The five remaining members of our board are independent as described below, and these independent members comprise the membership of our board's audit committee, nominating/corporate governance committee, and compensation committee.

We believe that separation of the office of executive chairman (Mr. Novelly) and the office of our principal executive officer (Mr. Mikles) is the appropriate leadership structure for us. We believe the division of duties is especially appropriate as legal and regulatory requirements applicable to our board and its committees continue to expand, and help provide the appropriate levels of communication between the board and executive management for board oversight of us and our management.

### Role in Risk Oversight

Our board as a whole is ultimately responsible for our risk management oversight. Our board is assisted by its committees, including our audit committee and compensation committee, whose duties are described in more detail below.

The board's oversight of our material risks is undertaken through, among other things, various reports and assessments that management presents to our board or to committees of our board, and the related board or committee discussions and decisions. The committees of our board report to our board about their meetings.

Our executive chairman and chief executive officer and president address risk matters at regular and special board meetings. In addition, other members of senior management regularly provide reports directly to our board. Finally, our audit committee works closely with our independent public accountants in their review of risk and controls.

### Corporate Governance/Director Independence

Our board has adopted corporate governance guidelines which incorporate certain rules of the SEC and U.S. securities exchanges for use by our board when determining director independence. These guidelines include the Company's Corporate Governance Guidelines, Policy for Approving Transactions with Related Parties, and Insider Trading Policy, copies of which may be found on our website at http://ir.futurefuelcorporation.com/governance.cfm. Our board also broadly considers all other relevant facts and circumstances that bear on the materiality of each director's relationship with us, including the potential for conflicts of interest, when determining director independence.

The nominating/corporate governance committee of our board evaluates each incumbent director and all new director nominees based on applicable law, regulations, and rules and makes a recommendation to the full board as to the independence of directors and director nominees. Our board has determined that, of the eight current members of the board, the following five directors have no disqualifying relationships with us or our subsidiaries and are, therefore, independent: Edwin A. Levy, Thomas R. Evans, Richard L. Knowlton, Donald C. Bedell, and Paul M. Manheim. In addition, in 2010 each of our board's remuneration (now compensation), audit, and nominating/corporate governance committees was comprised of directors who were independent under such definitions. The guidelines referenced above, as well as other corporate governance initiatives adopted by us, are also available to any shareholder free of charge upon request to our corporate secretary at our principal office set forth above.

Commencing in 2011, our independent directors meet in executive sessions (without our management) before or after any meeting of the directors, and will meet more often as the need arises. None of our non-management directors presides at all meetings of our non-management directors. Rather, a chairman is chosen at the beginning of each meeting.

Any interested party (and not just our shareholders) may make their concerns known to our non-management directors through our website at http://ir.futurefuelcorporation.com/contactus.cfm. In the "comment" section on this page, please

indicate that the message is for our non-management directors, and the message will be provided to them.

### Board Meetings and Committees; Annual Meeting Attendance

Directors are expected to attend all meetings of our board, the annual meeting of our shareholders, and assigned committee meetings. Our board held two meetings during 2010 in addition to seven actions by unanimous consent in lieu of meetings. These meetings were attended by all of our directors. The 2010 annual meeting of our shareholders was held on July 15, 2010. Five directors (Messrs. Mikles, Lorenzini, Evans, Levy, and Bedell) attended that annual shareholder meeting.

Our board established the following committees during 2010: audit committee, remuneration committee (now known as the compensation committee), and nominating/corporate governance committee. The 2010 members of each of these committees, a summary of the responsibilities and authority of each of the committees, and the number of meetings held by each committee in 2010, follow.

Name of Committee and Members during 2010	Functions of the Committee	Number of Meetings in 2010
Audit: January 1 thru March 8, 2010 Thomas R. Evans (chairman) Edwin A. Levy Richard L. Knowlton March 9 thru December 31, 2010 Thomas R. Evans (chairman) Edwin A. Levy Donald C. Bedell	-Appoints, compensates, and oversees the work of any public accounting firm employed by the Company; -Resolves any disagreements between management and the auditor regarding financial reporting; -Pre-approves all audit and non-audit services; -Retains independent counsel, accountants, or others to advise the committee or assist in the conduct of an	(all members attended each meeting during their term except one)
	corporate policies.	
Compensation: Donald C. Bedell (chairman) Richard L. Knowlton Edwin A. Levy	-In consultation with the Company's management, establishes the Company's general policies relating to compensation of the Company's officers and directors and the directors and executive officers of the Company's subsidiaries, and oversees the development and implementation of such compensation programs; -Approves the annual and long-term performance goals for the Company's incentive plans (including incentive plans for the Company's subsidiaries); -Annually reviews and approves corporate goals and objectives relevant to the compensation of the Company's executive officers and annually evaluates such officers' performance in light of those goals and objectives and sets such officers' compensation levels based on this evaluation; -As required under applicable securities laws and rules, reviews the Compensation Discussion and	s board approved ntcompensa-tion for 2010)

Analysis section (the "CD&A") to be included in the Company's annual proxy statement or other reports or filings with the SEC or other governmental authorities and stock exchanges, discusses the CD&A with the Company's management and recommends to the board that the CD&A be included in the Company's annual report on Form 10-K, proxy statement on Schedule 14A, information statement on Schedule 14C, or any other filing with the SEC or other governmental authorities and stock exchanges;

-Reviews and makes recommendations to the board

-Reviews and makes recommendations to the board periodically with respect to the compensation of all non-employee directors, including any compensation under the Company's equity-based plans; and -Evaluates the committee's performance and the adequacy of its charter on an annual basis and recommends any proposed changes to the board for approval.

Nominating/Corporate Governance: Edwin A. Levy (chairman) Thomas R. Evans Richard L. Knowlton -Assists the board by identifying qualified candidates for director, and recommends to the board the director nominees for the next annual meeting of shareholders;

- -Leads the board in its annual review of board performance;
- -Recommends to the board director nominees for each board committee:
- -Oversees the annual process of evaluation of the performance of the Company's management; and -Develops and recommends to the board corporate governance guidelines applicable to the Company.

None

### Nominating/Corporate Governance Committee

Our board has a nominating/corporate governance committee. That committee has a charter, a copy of which may be found at our internet web site at http://ir.futurefuelcorporation.com/governance.cfm. A copy may also be obtained free of charge by written request to our corporate secretary at our principal office set forth above.

Our nominating/corporate governance committee will consider director candidates recommended by our shareholders. To facilitate such nominations, our board has adopted Procedures for Shareholders Submitting Nominating Recommendations, which is Appendix B to our nominating/corporate governance committee charter. Those Procedures set forth the procedures for a shareholder to submit a director nominee recommendation, the timelines for receiving such nominations, and the information required on each director nominee. Our board has also adopted a Policy on Shareholder Recommendation of Candidates for Election as Directors, which is Appendix C to our nominating/corporate governance committee charter. This Policy sets forth the evaluation process adopted by our board. Any shareholder desiring to submit a director nominee for consideration by the nominating committee of our board for the 2012 annual meeting of our shareholders must do so in accordance with our bylaws and policies described under "Shareholder Proposals for the Next Annual Meeting" beginning at page 1 above. Director nominations should be submitted in writing to our corporate secretary, acting as agent for the nominating/corporate governance committee, at FutureFuel Corp., 8235 Forsyth Blvd., 4th Floor, Clayton, Missouri 63105. A copy of such Procedures and Policy is available free of charge to any shareholder and may be obtained from our corporate secretary at our principal office set forth above.

Once a director nominee has been recommended, whether by a shareholder or otherwise, the nominating committee reviews the background and qualifications of the nominee in accordance with the Policy Regarding Qualifications of Directors as adopted by our board, which Policy is Appendix A to our nominating/corporate governance committee charter. A copy of such Policy is available free of charge to any shareholder and may be obtained from our corporate secretary at our principal office set forth above. In selecting the slate of nominees to be recommended by the nominating/corporate governance committee to our board, and in an effort to maintain a proper mix of directors that results in a highly effective governing body, the nominating/corporate governance committee also considers such factors as the occupational, geographic, and age diversity of all director nominees; the particular skills and ability of each nominee to understand financial statements and finance matters generally; and the independence status of each nominee in accordance with our corporate governance guidelines, SEC rules, and other applicable laws and regulations. Our nominating/corporate governance committee does not differentiate in its evaluation of nominees as directors depending upon whether a nominee is recommended by one of our shareholders.

The nominating/corporate governance committee reports its recommendations concerning each director nominee to our board. Our board then considers the nominating/corporate governance committee's recommendations and selects those director nominees to be submitted to the shareholders for approval at the next annual meeting of shareholders. Our board may, as a part of its consideration, request the nominating/corporate governance committee to provide it with such information pertaining to a director nominee as our board deems appropriate to fully evaluate the qualifications of the nominee.

The slate of nominees for directors for the 2011 annual meeting of our shareholders consists of Lee E. Mikles, Thomas R. Evans, and Paul Manheim. Messrs. Mikles, Evans, and Manheim are standing for re-election. Mr. Manheim was recommended by our executive chairman, Mr. Novelly.

#### **Audit Committee**

Our board has a standing audit committee. The audit committee members between January 1 and March 8, 2010 were: Thomas R. Evans (chairman), Edwin A. Levy, and Richard L. Knowlton. The audit committee members between March 9 and December 31, 2010 were: Thomas R. Evans (chairman), Edwin Levy, and Donald C. Bedell. All members of our audit committee are independent as determined in accordance with the listing standards applicable to us.

We have adopted an audit committee charter. A copy of this audit committee charter may be accessed on our internet website at http://ir.futurefuelcorporation.com/governance.cfm. A copy may also be obtained free of charge from us by written request to our corporate secretary at our principal office set forth above.

The primary duties and responsibilities of the audit committee are to monitor: (i) the integrity of our financial statements, including the financial reporting process and systems of internal controls regarding finance and accounting; (ii) our compliance with related legal and regulatory requirements; and (iii) the independence and performance of our external auditor. The audit committee also selects our independent registered public accounting firm. Management of the Company is responsible for designing and implementing the internal controls and the financial reporting process. The independent registered public accounting firm is responsible for performing an independent audit of our financial statements in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and issuing a report thereon. The audit committee's responsibility is to monitor and oversee these processes.

In the performance of its oversight function, the audit committee has performed the duties required by its charter, and it has reviewed and discussed our consolidated financial statements for 2010 with management and the independent registered public accounting firm. The audit committee also has discussed with the independent registered public accounting firm the matters required to be discussed by the Statement on Auditing Standards Number 61, Communication with Audit Committees, as amended, as adopted by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board ("PCAOB") in Rule 3200T.

The audit committee has received the written disclosures and the letter from the independent registered public accounting firm required by the applicable requirements of PCAOB regarding the independent registered public accounting firm's communications with our audit committee concerning independence, and has discussed with the independent registered public accounting firm its independence. The audit committee also has received confirmations from management and has considered whether the provision of any non-audit services by the independent registered public accounting firm to us is compatible with maintaining the independence of the auditors.

Based upon a review of the reports by, and discussions with, management and the independent registered public accounting firm and the audit committee's review of the representations of management and the report of the independent registered public accounting firm, the audit committee recommended to our board to include the audited financial statements in our Form 10-K and Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 2010.

Thomas R. Evans, Edwin A. Levy, and Donald C. Bedell

### **Compensation Committee**

Our board has established a compensation committee (formerly known as the remuneration committee). The compensation committee has a charter which may be found at http://ir.futurefuelcorporation.com/governance.cfm at

our internet web site. In addition, a copy will be provided free of charge by written request to our corporate secretary at our principal office set forth above. Our processes and procedures for the consideration and determination of executive and director compensation are described in "Compensation of Directors and Executive Officers" beginning at page 18 below.

### **Shareholder Communications**

Any shareholder who wishes to contact our board or any individual director serving on our board may do so by written communication mailed to: Board (Attention: Name of Director(s), if appropriate), Corporate Secretary, FutureFuel Corp., 8235 Forsyth Blvd., 4th Floor, Clayton, Missouri 63105. A shareholder may also contact our board through the Investors Relations – Contact Us page of our internet site,

http://ir.futurefuelcorporation.com/contactus.cfm. A shareholder choosing to contact us through our website must complete his or her name, email address, the subject he or she wishes to address, and any comments he or she wishes to make. In addition, the number seen at the bottom of the page must also be completed. This number requirement prevents automated submissions.

Any proper communication received will be processed by our corporate secretary as agent for our board. A copy of the communication will be promptly forwarded to each member of our board or, if appropriate, to the member(s) of our board named in the communication. The original shareholder communication will be maintained on file in our corporate secretary's office and made readily available to any director who should wish to review it.

Compensation of Directors and Executive Officers

#### General

Our board of directors has established a compensation committee (formerly known as the remuneration committee). Our compensation committee currently consists of Donald C. Bedell, Richard L. Knowlton, and Edwin A. Levy. Each of these individuals is an "independent director" under the rules of the New York Stock Exchange, a "Non-Employee Director" within the meaning of Section 16 of the Exchange Act, and an "outside director" within the meaning of §162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

The compensation committee's responsibilities include, among other things, determining our policy on remuneration to our (that is, FutureFuel Corp.'s) officers and directors and the executive officers and directors of FutureFuel Chemical Company. We paid each of our directors \$25,000 for 2010. We determined for 2010 not to pay salaries, bonuses, or other forms of cash compensation to any of our executive officers (in their capacities as such) (other than our chief operating officer Paul Lorenzini and certain executive officers of FutureFuel Chemical Company as described below). The compensation committee also did not approve the awarding of stock options or stock awards to any of our directors and executive o