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April 23, 2009

Dear Shareholder:

The 2009 Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Diebold, Incorporated will be held at the Sheraton Suites, 1989 Front Street, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio 44221, on Thursday, April 23, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. EST. For your convenience, we are pleased to offer a live webcast of the annual meeting at <http://www.diebold.com>.

All holders of record of Diebold Common Shares as of February 27, 2009 are entitled to vote at the 2009 Annual Meeting.

As described in the accompanying Notice and Proxy Statement, you will be asked to (i) elect nine directors, (ii) ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP as independent auditors for 2009, and (iii) approve the Diebold, Incorporated Amended and Restated 1991 Equity and Performance Incentive Plan.

Diebold's Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 2008 is included herein. Your proxy card is enclosed. Please indicate your voting instructions and sign, date and mail this proxy card promptly in the return envelope.

If you are planning to attend the meeting, directions to the meeting location are included on the back page. If you are unable to attend the meeting, you may listen to a live broadcast that will be available from Diebold's web site at <http://www.diebold.com>. The replay can also be accessed on the site soon after the meeting for up to three months.

We look forward to seeing those of you who will be attending the meeting.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John N. Lauer". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial 'J'.

JOHN N. LAUER
Chairman of the Board

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Thomas W. Swidarski". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial 'T'.

THOMAS W. SWIDARSKI
President and Chief Executive Officer