## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

## **SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION**

## Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

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## **AXOGEN, INC.**

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## \*\*\* Exercise Your *Right* to Vote \*\*\* Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Shareholder Meeting to Be Held on May 14, 2018.

### AXOGEN, INC.

#### Meeting Information

 Meeting Type:
 Annual Meeting

 For holders as of:
 March 20, 2018

 Date:
 May 14, 2018
 Time: 4:00 PM EDT

 Location:
 Hyatt Regency Orlando International Airport

 9300 Jeff Fuqua Blvd.
 Orlando, FL 32827, USA

 Meeting live via the Internet-please visit
 www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/axogen18

You are receiving this communication because you hold shares in the company named above.

This is not a ballot. You cannot use this notice to vote these shares. This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet. You may view the proxy materials online at www.proxyvote.com or easily request a paper copy (see reverse side).

We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting.

See the reverse side of this notice to obtain proxy materials and voting instructions.

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How to Access the Proxy Materials

Proxy Materials Available to VIEW or RECEIVE: FORM 10-K

NOTICE AND PROXY STATEMENT How to View Online:

Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow  $\rightarrow$  [XXXX XXXX XXXX XXXX (located on the following page) and visit: www.proxyvote.com

How to Request and Receive a PAPER or E-MAIL Copy: If you want to receive a paper or e-mail copy of these documents, you must request one. There is NO charge for requesting a copy. Please choose one of the following methods to make your request:

1) BY INTERNET: www.proxyvote.com 2) BY TELEPHONE: 1-800-579-1639

3) BY E-MAIL\*:

sendmaterial@proxyvote.com

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## How To Vote

#### Please Choose One of the Following Voting Methods

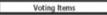
Vote In Person: Many shareholder meetings have attendance requirements including, but not limited to, the possession of an attendance ticket issued by the entity holding the meeting. Please check the meeting materials for any special requirements for meeting attendance. At the meeting, you will need to request a ballot to vote these shares.

Vote By Internet:

Before The Meeting: Go to www.proxyvote.com Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow 

During The Meeting: Go to www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/axogen18. Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow  $\rightarrow$  <u>boxex boxex boxex</u> (located on the following page) available and follow the instructions.

Vote By Mail: You can vote by mail by requesting a paper copy of the materials, which will include a proxy card.



# The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following: 1. Election of Directors

Nominees:

02)	Gregory G. Freitag Mark Gold, M.D.	06)	Robert J. Rudelius Arny Wendell
03) 04)	Jarrie M. Grooms Guido J. Neels	07)	Karen Zaderej

#### The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR proposals 2 and 3.

- To approve amendment of Article 2 and Article 3 of the Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation to change the Company's registered office of incorporation in Minnesota to Corporation Service Company, 2345 Kice Street, Noewille, NN SST13 which will provide a better cracebility to receive and process correspondence and to increase the authorized shares of the Company from S0,000,000 to 100,000,000 to ensure that the Company has sufficient shares available for general corporate purposes, respectively 2.
- To ratify the selection of Deloitte & Touche LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the year ending December 31, 2018.

NOTE: Such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.