

PIPER JAFFRAY COMPANIES  
Form DEFA14A  
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## SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION

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

#### Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. )

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