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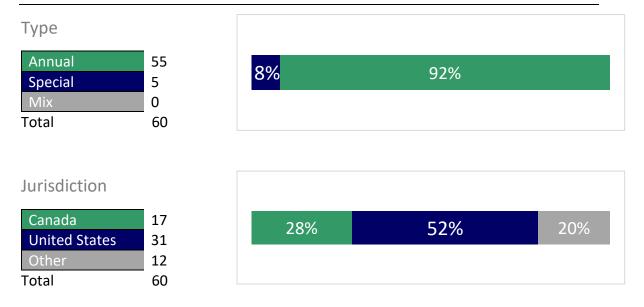
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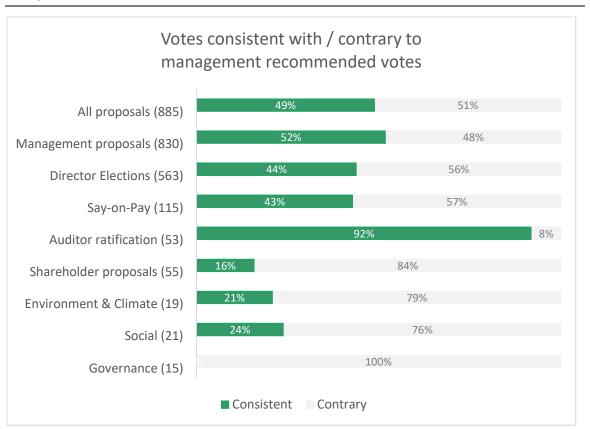
**Proxy Voting Report** 

## Proxy Voting Highlights Q2 2023

### Meetings



## **Proposals**







### **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Shin-Etsu Chemical Co. Ltd (4063)	2023-06-29,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
Japan	2023-03-31
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES J72810120

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-00001002.3	Genus Encasa - N1-000001002.3	56000

ITEM	PROPOSAL		POLICY
01	Appropriation of Retained Earnings	<b>/</b>	<b>~</b>
02.01	Elect Fumio Akiya	<b>~</b>	×
02.02	Elect Yasuhiko Saitoh	<b>~</b>	×
02.03	Elect Susumu Ueno	~	×
02.04	Elect Masahiko Todoroki	<b>~</b>	×
02.05	Elect Toshihiko Fukui	<b>~</b>	×
02.06	Elect Hiroshi Komiyama	<b>~</b>	×
02.07	Elect Kuniharu Nakamura	<b>/</b>	~
02.08	Elect Michael H. McGarry	<b>/</b>	×
02.09	Elect Mariko Hasegawa	<b>/</b>	<b>~</b>
03.01	Elect Hidenori Onezawa	<b>/</b>	×
03.02	Elect Hiroko Kaneko	<b>/</b>	~
04	Issuance of Stock Acquisition Rights as Stock Options to Employees	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>

# PROXY ANALYSIS

ITEM 01	BOARD	POLICY
Appropriation of Retained Earnings	~	~

Proposer: Board

It is the responsibility of the Board to make recommendations on the distribution of profits. Further, the distribution of a common dividend is in the interest of shareholders. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 02.01 BOARD POLICY Elect Fumio Akiya Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. As it is written in the Japanese legislation, the Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Board of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. The company currently employs him. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 02.02 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Yasuhiko Saitoh Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. As it is written in the Japanese legislation, the Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Board of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently the chief executive officer of the firm. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 02.03 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Susumu Ueno

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. As it is written in the Japanese legislation, the Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Board of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is not deemed independent

Proposer: Board

according to the company. He is currently an executive of the firm. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 02.04 **BOARD POLICY** Flect Masahiko Todoroki Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. As it is written in the Japanese legislation, the Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Board of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently an executive of the firm. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 02.05 **BOARD POLICY** Elect Toshihiko Fukui Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. As it is written in the Japanese legislation, the Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Board of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the policy. He has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 02.06 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Hiroshi Komiyama Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. As it is written in the Japanese legislation, the Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Board of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the policy. He has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

	- Vote reco	orded
ITEM 02.07	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Kuniharu Nakamura		<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thir Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Bothe policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the	pard of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is deemed independent acc	
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 02.08	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Michael H. McGarry		×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thir Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Bothe policy. He is the Chair and CEO of PPG Industries and sits on a total of more than compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. A vote against the care	pard of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is deemed independent acc two boards. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and cou	cording to
	- Vote reco	orded
ITEM 02.09	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Mariko Hasegawa		<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. As it is written in the Japanese legislation, the Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Board of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

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ISSUER	MEETING DATE
SBI Holdings Inc. (TYO:8473)	2023-06-29,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
Japan	2023-03-31
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES J6991H100

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-00001002.3	Genus Encasa - N1-00001002.3	65800

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01	Increase in Authorized Capital	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
02.01	Elect Yoshitaka Kitao	<b>~</b>	×
02.02	Elect Masato Takamura	<b>~</b>	×
02.03	Elect Tomoya Asakura	<b>~</b>	×
02.04	Elect Shumpei Morita	<b>~</b>	×
02.05	Elect Satoe Kusakabe	<b>~</b>	×
02.06	Elect Masayuki Yamada	<b>~</b>	×
02.07	Elect Teruhide Sato	<b>~</b>	×
02.08	Elect Heizo Takenaka	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
02.09	Elect Yasuhiro Suzuki	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
02.10	Elect Hiroshi Ito	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
02.11	Elect Kanae Takeuchi @ Kanae Kusakari	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
02.12	Elect Junichi Fukuda	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
02.13	Elect Hiroyuki Suematsu	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
02.14	Elect Shinji Matsui	<b>~</b>	×
02.15	Elect Motoaki Shiino	<b>~</b>	×
03	Elect Takahiro Yoshida as Statutory Auditor	<b>~</b>	×

04	Elect Tetsutaro Wakatsuki as Alternate Statutory Auditor	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
05	Retirement Allowances for Director	<b>✓</b>	×
	PROXY ANALYSIS		
TEM 01		BOARD	POLICY
Increase in Author	ized Capital	<b>/</b>	<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board			
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		• Vote rec	orded
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The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. As it is written in the Japanese legislation, the Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Board of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. She is currently an executive of the company. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 02.06 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Masayuki Yamada Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. As it is written in the Japanese legislation, the Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Board of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently an executive of the firm. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 02.07 **BOARD** POLICY Flect Teruhide Sato Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. As it is written in the Japanese legislation, the Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Board of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the policy. He has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 02.08 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Heizo Takenaka Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. As it is written in the Japane Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Board of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is deemed independent. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
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ITEM 02.09	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Yasuhiro Suzuki	<b>/</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. As it is written in the Japane Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Board of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is deemed indet the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	• Vote reco	orded
ITEM 02.10	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Hiroshi Ito	<b>/</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. As it is written in the Japane Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Board of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is deemed indee the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.	-	
	• Vote reco	orded
ITEM 02.11	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Kanae Takeuchi @ Kanae Kusakari	<b>/</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. As it is written in the Japanese legislation, the Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Board of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 02.12 **BOARD** Elect Junichi Fukuda Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. As it is written in the Japanese legislation, the Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Board of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 02.13 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Hiroyuki Suematsu Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. As it is written in the Japanese legislation, the Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Board of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 02.14 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Shinji Matsui Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. As it is written in the Japanese legislation, the Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Board of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently an executive of the firm. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 02.15 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Motoaki Shiino Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. As it is written in the Japanese legislation, the Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Board of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently an executive of the firm. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 03 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Takahiro Yoshida as Statutory Auditor Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the Board of Corporate Auditors is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently an executive of the firm. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 04 **BOARD** 

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the Board of Corporate Auditors is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Elect Tetsutaro Wakatsuki as Alternate Statutory Auditor

Proposer: Board

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ITEM 05

Retirement Allowances for Director

**BOARD** 



**POLICY** 

Proposer: Board

The proposed severance pay does not meet policy criteria. The proposal is not consistent with the policy. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

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### **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER Nitto Denko Corporation (6988)	MEETING DATE 2023-06-23,
COUNTRY Japan	RECORD DATE 2023-03-31
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES J58472119

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-00001002.3	Genus Encasa - N1-000001002.3	17100

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01	Allocation of Profits/Dividends	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
02.01	Elect Hideo Takasaki	<b>~</b>	×
02.02	Elect Yosuke Miki	<b>~</b>	×
02.03	Elect Yasuhiro Iseyama	<b>~</b>	×
02.04	Elect Yasuhito Owaki	<b>~</b>	×
02.05	Elect Yoichiro Furuse	<b>~</b>	×
02.06	Elect Tamio Fukuda	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
02.07	Elect Lai Yong Wong	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
02.08	Elect Michitaka Sawada	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
02.09	Elect Yasuhiro Yamada	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
02.10	Elect Mariko Eto	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
03.01	Elect Shin Tokuyasu	<b>~</b>	×
03.02	Elect Toshihiko Takayanagi	<b>~</b>	×
03.03	Elect Yasuko Kobashikawa	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>

### **PROXY ANALYSIS**

IIEM 01	BOARD	POLICY
Allocation of Profits/Dividends	<b>/</b>	<b>~</b>

#### Proposer: Board

It is the responsibility of the Board to make recommendations on the distribution of profits. Further, the distribution of a common dividend is in the interest of shareholders. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 02.01

BOARD POLICY

Elect Hideo Takasaki

✓ ×

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. As it is written in the Japanese legislation, the Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Board of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. This nominee is both CEO and Chairman, which goes against the policy. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

ITEM 02.02

BOARD POLICY

Elect Yosuke Miki

Vote recorded

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. As it is written in the Japanese legislation, the Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Board of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently the Chief Technology Officer (CTO). A vote against the candidate was recorded.

TIEM 02.03

BOARD POLICY

Elect Yasuhiro Iseyama

Proposer : Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. As it is written in the Japane Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Board of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is not deemed according to the company. He is currently the chief financial officer of the firm. A vote against the candidate was recorded.	_	
	<ul><li>Vote rec</li></ul>	orded
ITEM 02.04	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Yasuhito Owaki	<b>/</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. As it is written in the Japane Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Board of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is not deemed according to the company. He is currently an executive of the firm. A vote against the candidate was recorded.		
	<ul> <li>Vote rec</li> </ul>	orded
ITEM 02.05	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Yoichiro Furuse	<b>/</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. As it is written in the Japane Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Board of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is not deemed according to the company. He is currently an executive of the firm. A vote against the candidate was recorded.		
	<ul> <li>Vote rec</li> </ul>	orded
ITEM 02.06	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Tamio Fukuda	<b>/</b>	~
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. As it is written in the Japane Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Board of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is deemed indee the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 02.07	BOARD POLICY
Elect Lai Yong Wong	<b>/</b>   <b>/</b>
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. As it is written in the Japane Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Board of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is deemed indet the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 02.08	BOARD POLICY
Elect Michitaka Sawada	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board	·
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. As it is written in the Japane Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Board of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is deemed indet the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 02.09	BOARD POLICY
Elect Yasuhiro Yamada	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board	·

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. As it is written in the Japanese legislation, the Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Board of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 02.10	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Mariko Eto	~	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		I
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. As it is written in the Japane Board of Directors is not composed of any of the 3 key-committees, since there is a Board of Corporate Auditors. This nominee is deemed independent. There is no reason to oppose this first-time nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.	ependent ac	cording to
	<ul> <li>Vote rec</li> </ul>	oraea
ITEM 03.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Shin Tokuyasu	~	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the Board of Corporate Auditors is not exclusively made up of independent mois not deemed independent according to the company. The company currently employs him. A vote against the candidate was recorded.	embers. Thi	s nominee
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 03.02	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Toshihiko Takayanagi	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the Board of Corporate Auditors is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently an executive of the firm. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

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ITEM 03.03

BOARD

**POLICY** 

Elect Yasuko Kobashikawa

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Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the Board of Corporate Auditors is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this first-time nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

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### **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER NVIDIA Corporation (NASDAQ:NVDA)	MEETING DATE 2023-06-22,
COUNTRY United States	RECORD DATE 2023-04-24
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 67066G104

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.2	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	7100

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Robert K. Burgess	<b>~</b>	×
01.02	Elect Tench Coxe	<b>~</b>	×
01.03	Elect John O. Dabiri	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.04	Elect Persis S. Drell	<b>~</b>	×
01.05	Elect Jen-Hsun Huang	<b>~</b>	×
01.06	Elect Dawn Hudson	<b>~</b>	×
01.07	Elect Harvey C. Jones	<b>~</b>	×
01.08	Elect Michael G. McCaffery	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.09	Elect Stephen C. Neal	<b>~</b>	×
01.10	Elect Mark L. Perry	<b>~</b>	×
01.11	Elect A. Brooke Seawell	<b>~</b>	×
01.12	Elect Aarti Shah	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.13	Elect Mark A. Stevens	<b>~</b>	×
02	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×
03	Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1
04	Ratification of Auditor	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>

ITEM 01.01	BOARD POLICY
Elect Robert K. Burgess	✓ ×
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensat years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.	
ITEM 01.02	BOARD POLICY
Elect Tench Coxe	✓ ×
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independe	
years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.	ion Committee. He has been on the board for over 10
years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.	ion Committee. He has been on the board for over 10  Vote recorded
years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.	ion Committee. He has been on the board for over 10  Vote recorded
	Vote recorded  BOARD POLICY  whent. No key committee is exclusively made up of
ITEM 01.03  Elect John O. Dabiri  Proposer: Board  The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to opp	Vote recorded  BOARD POLICY  whent. No key committee is exclusively made up of



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Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. She is a member of the nominating committee and sits on a board of directors with less than 30% women. Because of her position, we consider her to be responsible for this lack of diversity within the board. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.05

BOARD POLICY

Elect Jen-Hsun Huang

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Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently the chief executive officer of the firm. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.06

BOARD

POLICY

Elect Dawn Hudson

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Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee. She has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.07

BOARD

POLICY



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#### Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee and the Nomination Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.08

BOARD POLICY

Elect Michael G. McCaffery



Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.09

BOARD POLICY

Elect Stephen C. Neal

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Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is a member of the nominating committee and sits on a board of directors with less than 30% women. Because of his position, we consider him to be responsible for this lack of diversity within the board. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.10

BOARD

**POLICY** 



Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Audit Committee and the Nomination Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.11

**BOARD** POLICY

Elect A. Brooke Seawell

**Proposer:** Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Audit Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.12

**BOARD** POLICY

Elect Aarti Shah

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.13

**BOARD** 

POLICY

**BOARD** 

POLICY

**ITEM 04** 

Ratification of Auditor

#### Proposer: Board

More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirmed. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

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### **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER Kroger Co. (The) (KR)	MEETING DATE 2023-06-22,
COUNTRY United States	RECORD DATE 2023-04-24
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 501044101

## POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.2	ACCOUNT NAME  Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	22400

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Nora A. Aufreiter	<b>✓</b>	×
01.02	Elect Kevin M. Brown	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
01.03	Elect Elaine L. Chao	<b>✓</b>	×
01.04	Elect Anne Gates	<b>✓</b>	×
01.05	Elect Karen M. Hoguet	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
01.06	Elect W. Rodney McMullen	<b>~</b>	×
01.07	Elect Clyde R. Moore	<b>~</b>	×
01.08	Elect Ronald L. Sargent	<b>~</b>	×
01.09	Elect Judith Amanda Sourry Knox	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
01.10	Elect Mark S. Sutton	<b>~</b>	×
01.11	Elect Ashok Vemuri	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
02	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×
03	Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1
04	Ratification of Auditor	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
05	Shareholder proposal requesting that the company report on the external public health costs generated by the sale of tobacco products and how these costs affect shareholders.	×	~
06	Shareholder Proposal Regarding Charitable Contributions Disclosure	×	<b>✓</b>
07	Shareholder proposal requesting that the Board of Directors publish a report describing how the company could reduce its use of plastic in line with the findings of the Pew Charitable Trusts report, or other authoritative sources, in order to reduce its contribution to ocean plastic pollution.	×	<b>✓</b>

08	Shareholder proposal that the company prepare an annual report on median and adjusted pay gaps on the basis of gender and race, including risks associated with public policies, reputational, competitive and operational risks, as well as risks associated with the recruitment and retention of diverse talent.	×	~
09	Shareholder proposal asking the company to publish a report on the risks associated with omitting the terms "point of view" and "ideology" from its written equal employment opportunities policy.	×	×
	PROXY ANALYSIS		
ITEM 01	01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect No	ora A. Aufreiter	<b>~</b>	×
Propose	er: Board	'	•
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ITEM 01	02	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Ke	vin M. Brown		
Propose	er: Board		
	ninees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively maders. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour d.		
		• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01	03	BOARD	POLICY
Elect El	aine L. Chao	~	×

#### Proposer: Board

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.04

BOARD POLICY

Elect Anne Gates

✓ ×

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. She is the Chair of Tapestry inc and sits on a total of more than two boards. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.05

BOARD POLICY

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**Proposer:** Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.06 BOARD POLICY

#### Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. This nominee is both CEO and Chairman, which goes against the policy. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.07

**BOARD** POLICY

Elect Clyde R. Moore

#### Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee and the Nomination Committee. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.08

BOARD POLICY

Elect Ronald L. Sargent

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Audit Committee and the Nomination Committee. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

ITEM 01.09	BOARD POLICY
Elect Judith Amanda Sourry Knox	
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committed members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's electrocorded.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
ITEM 01.10	BOARD POLICY
Elect Mark S. Sutton	✓ ×
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committed members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is CEO of International Paper Company and segoes against the policy. A vote against the candidate was recorded.	
ITEM 01.11	BOARD POLICY
Elect Ashok Vemuri	
Proposer: Board	

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

# Vote recorded ITEM 02 **BOARD** POLICY Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation Proposer: Board A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. The CEO is paid more than 3 times the compensation of another named executive and the CEO to median employee pay ratio is higher than 170:1. The CEO was paid more than 200 times the average pay of Americans workers. Large pay disparities contribute to increasingly unequal societies, which are less sustainable, less inclusive, and less productive. This is not good for the company or its stakeholders in the long term. The compensation committee does not disclose the performance criteria targets of its incentive plans. This makes it impossible for shareholders to understand how the company determined the amounts the executives were paid. This is not adequate disclosure. A vote against the proposal was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 03 **BOARD** POLICY Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation Proposer: Board The proposal aims to set, in a non-restrictive manner, the frequency that shareholder will have the opportunity to approve an executive compensation program. It is relevant to allow shareholders a yearly opportunity to voice their concerns. A yearly frequency is in the shareholders' interest and has been selected. Vote recorded **ITEM 04** Ratification of Auditor Proposer: Board

 $More\ than\ 75\%\ of\ the\ fees\ paid\ to\ the\ firm\ were\ for\ financial\ auditing\ services.\ A\ vote\ in\ favour\ of\ the\ proposal\ was\ recorded.$ 

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ITEM 05

Shareholder proposal requesting that the company report on the external public health costs generated by the sale of tobacco products and how these costs affect shareholders.

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**Proposer:** The Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia and nine co-filers

The health and economic harms of tobacco are undeniable. Each year in the United States, tobacco kills more than 480,000 people and costs more than \$240 billion in health care costs, not to mention more than \$372 billion in lost productivity due to illness, disease and premature death. In addition, it increases the human and economic toll of the pandemic. According to the World Health Organization, "smokers are more likely to contract a more severe form of COVID-19, to be hospitalized in an intensive care unit or to die from it". Despite this, Kroger sells tobacco in its pharmacies, while making public statements about its commitment to health and wellness. In 2020, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) banned a Kroger Group pharmacy in Ohio from continuing to sell tobacco after committing 5 sales-to-minors violations. The company claims that tobacco sales are down and that it is complying with the regulations to which it is subject. It adds that the requested report is not feasible at this time. However, it would be interesting to see how the company can continue to sell tobacco products despite the fact that it devotes an entire division to meeting the health needs of its customers, and that there is irrefutable evidence that tobacco significantly harms the health of smokers. The costs of tobacco consumption are externalized by the company, but ultimately borne by governments and American society as a whole, including Kroger shareholders. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 06

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**BOARD** 

POLICY

Shareholder Proposal Regarding Charitable Contributions Disclosure

**Proposer:** The Louis B & Diana R Eichold Trust

The proponent requests disclosure of all corporate donations over \$10,000. These donations may serve the interests of executives without representing those of the company and its shareholders. The disclosure of charitable contributions promotes the directors' accountability with regard to how they allot money coming from shareholders. The proposal is deemed reasonable. It is in shareholders' interest and could be produce at a low cost since the report would only be published on the company's website. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 07 BOARD POLICY

Shareholder proposal requesting that the Board of Directors publish a report describing how the company could reduce its use of plastic in line with the findings of the Pew Charitable Trusts report, or other authoritative sources, in order to reduce its contribution to ocean plastic pollution.





In recent years, the effects of ocean gyres or eddies, which sweep up plastic waste and encourage its accumulation, have come under increasing scrutiny. The most notorious example is the North Pacific Garbage Patch, which covers an area about four times the size of California and is growing at an exponential rate (The 'Great Pacific Garbage Patch' Is Ballooning, 87,000 Tons of Plastic and Counting - The New York Times (nytimes.com)), According to a report by Pew Charitable Trusts. companies using plastic packaging could collectively face an annual financial risk of about \$100 billion if governments require them to cover the waste management costs of the packaging they use, a policy that is increasingly being adopted around the world (breakingtheplasticwave report.pdf (pewtrusts.org)). New laws to this effect have been passed in 2022 in Maine, Oregon, Colorado, and California (https://shorturl.at/oxEHK), while the European Union has adopted a tax of EUR 0.80 per kilogram on all non-recycled plastic packaging waste (https://shorturl.at/gxEO0). Pew's report released a study concluding that if all current industry and government commitments were met, plastic deposits in the oceans would be reduced by only 7%, and without immediate and sustained new commitments throughout the plastics value chain, annual plastic flows to the oceans could nearly triple by 2040. It also finds that improving recycling must be combined with reductions in use, the reworking of materials, and substitution, and indicates that the demand for plastic must be reduced by at least a third. Kroger doesn't seem to have a target for reducing virgin plastic, unlike at least 60 other listed consumer goods companies (https://shorturl.at/nGMUW). Kroger is also absent from the Ellen MacArthur Foundation's Global Commitment to Reduce Plastic Pollution, in which signatory companies pledge to reduce the use of virgin plastic by an average of 20% by 2025 (https://shorturl.at/alsEX). By complying with the proposal and evaluating the benefits of significantly reducing the amount of plastics used in its packaging, the company could avoid regulatory, environmental, and competitive risks and keep pace with its peers by taking additional steps to reduce plastic pollution from its products, including, for example, decoupling business growth from its consumption of virgin plastics. Assessing and disclosing the reputational, financial and operational risks associated with the continued use of significant amounts of plastic packaging despite the global problem of plastic pollution could protect shareholders as well as the company. Given the environmental risks associated with plastic pollution, we believe that it is important for companies to make an effort to ensure that they mitigate their contribution to this problem as much as possible. In this case, we believe that Kroger needs to take significant steps and provide adequate information regarding its plastic footprint reduction, packaging sustainability improvements and recycling initiatives. Therefore, we consider that the adoption of this proposal is justified. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 08 BOARD POLICY

Shareholder proposal that the company prepare an annual report on median and adjusted pay gaps on the basis of gender and race, including risks associated with public policies, reputational, competitive and operational risks, as well as risks associated with the recruitment and retention of diverse talent.





**Proposer:** Arujna Capital / Susan Silver

Large wage disparities based on gender and race persist in the United States, whether or not factors such as experience, training, sector or hours of work are considered. For example, the median salary of black employees was 75.6% of that of their white peers in 2019, according to the Economic Policy Institute. Far from closing, this gap has widened since 2000. Moreover, in 2021, the Pew Research Center indicated that the median gender pay gap has been relatively stable for 15 years; in 2020, women thus earned 84% of men's wages. As for the gender-adjusted pay gap, it was 4.9 percent, according to a Glassdoor study released in 2019. Many researchers and economists believe that this inexplicable gap may be due to discrimination. This can lead to expensive lawsuits and harm the image of companies and their ability to recruit and retain talented employees. However, the legal risks have increased in recent years. California, Massachusetts, New York and Maryland have tightened their legislation on equal pay. In Iceland, companies with at least 25 full-time employees must prove that they pay equal wages for equal work, regardless of the gender of the employee, or face a fine. Countries such as the United Kingdom, Ireland and Israel now require the disclosure of gender

pay gaps, while others have strengthened their requirements for the reporting of information related to gender equity, especially in terms of remuneration. Among them, we find France, Italy and Spain. On the other hand, studies show that companies that demonstrate transparency, who track down and do their utmost to eliminate wage gaps are promoting a better representation of women at all levels of the organization, which allows them to profit from the many benefits of diversifying the workforce, including within the senior management. In the case of Kroger, we note that the company did not publish its median and adjusted pay gaps, unlike some of its peers. We must recall that while the existence of adjusted gaps may reveal the presence of wage discrimination, whether conscious or not, the gross gaps may indicate an underrepresentation of women or members of minorities in high-paying jobs, or even a problem of systemic discrimination in promotion. Unlike Kroger, companies such as Citigroup, Adobe, American Express, Bank of New York Mellon, Home Depot, Lowes, MasterCard, Pfizer, Starbucks, Target, Visa and Wyndham Hotels and Resorts have adopted the best practice of reporting both gross and adjusted pay equity. As a result, we believe that it is in the interest of the shareholders that the company is more transparent and publish the requested information. By fighting these gaps and disclosing more information on this question, it will mitigate the legal, financial and reputational risk associated with discriminatory practices, While increasing their ability to attract and retain a skilled workforce in order to build diverse and innovative teams by demonstrating that their employees are paid fairly and equitably, regardless of their gender or their ethnic or racial origin. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

ITEM 09

Shareholder proposal asking the company to publish a report on the risks associated with omitting the terms "point of view" and "ideology" from its written equal employment opportunities policy.

**Proposer:** National Center for Public Policy Research

The proponent, the National Center for Public Policy Research, is recognized as an ideological group opposed to the mainstream of responsible investing. It also uses the shareholder proposal system to undermine the legitimate efforts of many investors who are committed to advancing the governance of public companies. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

Vote recorded

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### **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Fortinet Inc. (NASDAQ:FTNT)	2023-06-16,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
United States	2023-04-17
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 34959E109

## POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.2	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	22500

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Ken Xie	<b>~</b>	×
01.02	Elect Michael Xie	<b>~</b>	×
01.03	Elect Kenneth A. Goldman	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.04	Elect Ming Hsieh	<b>~</b>	×
01.05	Elect Jean Hu	~	~
01.06	Elect William Neukom	<b>~</b>	×
01.07	Elect Judith Sim	<b>~</b>	×
01.08	Elect Admiral James Stavridis	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
02	Appoint auditor	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
03	Say on pay	<b>~</b>	×
04	Frequency of say on pay	<b>~</b>	1
05	To eliminate the requirement for supermajority voting in the event of mergers or consolidations.	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
06		<b>✓</b>	×

### **PROXY ANALYSIS**

ITEM 01.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Ken Xie	<b>/</b>	×
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. To CEO and Chairman, which goes against the policy. A vote against the candidate was recorded.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 01.02	BOARD POLICY
Elect Michael Xie	✓ X
Proposer: Board	'
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nominatic Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. Fexecutive of the firm. A vote against the candidate was recorded.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 01.03	BOARD POLICY
Elect Kenneth A. Goldman	✓
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 01.04	BOARD POLICY
Elect Ming Hsieh	✓ X
Proposer: Board	•

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Audit Committee and the Nomination Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. He is a member of the nominating committee and sits on a board of directors with less than 30% women. Because of his position, we consider him to be responsible for this lack of diversity within the board. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.05

BOARD POLICY

Elect Jean Hu

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Nomination Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. He is a member of the nominating committee and sits on a board of directors with less than 30% women. Because of his position, we consider him to be responsible for this lack of diversity within the board. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.07 BOARD POLICY

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#### **Proposer**: Board

the proposal was recorded.

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. She is a member of the nominating committee and sits on a board of directors with less than 30% women. Because of her position, we consider her to be responsible for this lack of diversity within the board. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.08	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Admiral James Stavridis	<b>/</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nominatic Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.	no reason t	to oppose
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 02	BOARD	POLICY
Appoint auditor	<b>/</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirm	ed. A vote i	n favour of

ITEM 03	BOARD POLICY
Say on pay	✓ X
Proposer: Board	
A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. Compensation includes a share-based codes not meet all of the policy criteria. Compensation is not based on company performance. The global share-dilution rate is over 10%. A was recorded.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 04	BOARD POLICY
Frequency of say on pay	<b>✓</b> 1
Proposer: Board	
The proposal aims to set, in a non-restrictive manner, the frequency that shareholder will have the opportunity to approve an executive correlevant to allow shareholders a yearly opportunity to voice their concerns. A yearly frequency is in the shareholders' interest and has been	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 05	BOARD POLICY
To eliminate the requirement for supermajority voting in the event of mergers or consolidations.	/ /
Proposer: Board	1 1
It goes against the principle of accountability to approve the actions of the Executive Committee and thereby exempt them from any liability proposal was recorded.	ey. A vote against the
	Vote recorded
ITEM 06	BOARD POLICY





Proposer: Board

The Board of Directors is seeking shareholder approval to amend the Company's Articles of Incorporation to add a provision exempting certain officers from personal liability for certain breaches of fiduciary duty, to the extent permitted by Delaware law. The State of Delaware has recently enacted legislation that allows Delaware corporations to limit or eliminate the personal liability of certain officers for monetary damages related to breaches of fiduciary duty. We believe that officers and directors should be held accountable for their actions at all times. This amendment affects the remedies available to shareholders in the event of proven misconduct. The proposal is not in the best interests of shareholders. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

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### **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER BJ's Wholesale Club Holdings Inc. (NYSE: BJ)	MEETING DATE 2023-06-15,
COUNTRY United States	RECORD DATE 2023-04-24
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 05550J101

## POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.2	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	10800

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Christopher J. Baldwin	<b>~</b>	×
01.02	Elect Darryl Brown	<b>~</b>	×
01.03	Elect Bob Eddy	<b>~</b>	×
01.04	Elect Michelle Gloeckler	~	×
01.05	Elect Maile Naylor	~	<b>✓</b>
01.06	Elect Ken Parent	<b>~</b>	×
01.07	Elect Christopher H. Peterson	~	×
01.08	Elect Robert A. Steele	~	<b>~</b>
02	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	~	×
03	Ratification of Auditor	~	<b>~</b>

### **PROXY ANALYSIS**

ITEM 01.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Christopher J. Baldwin	<b>✓</b>	×

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is a former executive of the company. This nominee, who is not independent, is also Chairman, which goes against policy. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

ITEM 01.02 **BOARD** POLICY **Elect Darryl Brown** Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is a member of the nominating committee and sits on a board of directors with less than 30% women. Because of his position, we consider him to be responsible for this lack of diversity within the board. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.03 POLICY Elect Bob Eddy **Proposer:** Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently the chief executive officer of the firm. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. She is a member of the nominating committee and sits on a board of directors with less than 30% women. Because of her position, we consider her to be responsible for this lack of diversity within the board. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the

**BOARD** 

POLICY

ITEM 01.04

Flect Michelle Gloeckler

Proposer: Board

company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.05 BOARD POLICY Elect Maile Naylor Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.06 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Ken Parent Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.07 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Christopher H. Peterson

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Audit

Proposer: Board

Committee. He has other significant types of economic relationships with one of the company's clients, suppliers or consultants. A vote agains recorded.	t the candid	late was
	<ul><li>Vote rec</li></ul>	orded
ITEM 01.08	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Robert A. Steele	~	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		1
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Con Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	<ul> <li>Vote rec</li> </ul>	orded
ITEM 02	BOARD	POLICY
Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	~	×
Proposer: Board		
A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. The compensation committee does not disc criteria targets of its incentive plans. This makes it impossible for shareholders to understand how the company determined the amounts the compensation of another named executive and the CEO to median emphigher than 170:1. A vote against the proposal was recorded.	executives v	vere paid.
	<ul> <li>Vote rec</li> </ul>	orded
ITEM 03	BOARD	POLICY
Ratification of Auditor	<b>~</b>	~
Proposer: Board		

More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirmed. A vo	te in favour of
the proposal was recorded.	

Vote recorded

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### **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER	MEETING DATE
EMCOR Group Inc. (EME)	2023-06-08,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
United States	2023-04-11
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 29084Q100

## POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-00001002.2	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	7400

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect John W. Altmeyer	<b>~</b>	~
01.02	Elect Anthony J. Guzzi	<b>~</b>	×
01.03	Elect Ronald L. Johnson	<b>~</b>	×
01.04	Elect Carol P. Lowe	<b>~</b>	~
01.05	Elect M. Kevin McEvoy	<b>~</b>	×
01.06	Elect William P. Reid	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.07	Elect Steven B. Schwarzwaelder	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.08	Elect Robin A. Walker-Lee	<b>~</b>	×
01.09	Elect Rebecca A. Weyenberg	<b>~</b>	×
02	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×
03	Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1
04	Authorization of Board to Set Board Size	<b>~</b>	×
05	Amendment to Articles to Reflect Delaware Law Provisions Regarding Officer Exculpation	<b>~</b>	×
06	Amendment to the Certificate of Incorporation to Select an Exclusive Forum	<b>~</b>	×
07	Ratification of Auditor	<b>~</b>	~
08	Shareholder Proposal Regarding Independent Chair	×	~

ITEM 01.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect John W. Altmeyer	<b>/</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vecandidate was recorded.		
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.02	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Anthony J. Guzzi	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. This nominee is both CEO and Chairman, which go A vote against the candidate was recorded.		
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.03	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Ronald L. Johnson	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the boar including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate	creates poterd's governa	ential ance,

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ITEM 01.04	BOARD POLICY
Elect Carol P. Lowe	<b>/ /</b>
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all e independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's ele candidate was recorded.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 01.05	BOARD POLICY
Elect M. Kevin McEvoy	/ ×
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all cindependent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the	situation creates potential r the board's governance,
	Vote recorded
ITEM 01.06	BOARD POLICY
Elect William P. Reid	<b>/ /</b>
Proposer: Board	' '
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all eindependent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's ele candidate was recorded.	•
	Vote recorded

ITEM 01.07	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Steven B. Schwarzwaelder	<b>~</b>	~
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vocandidate was recorded.		
	Vote recorded	
ITEM 01.08	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Robin A. Walker-Lee	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the boar including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate	creates poted d's governa ce was reco	ential ance, rded.
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.09	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Rebecca A. Weyenberg	<b>✓</b>	×

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. She is the CFO of Astec industries and sits on a total of more than one board. The number of boards on which she sits is too high and could compromise her ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Proposer: Board

## Vote recorded ITEM 02 **BOARD** POLICY Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation Proposer: Board A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. Compensation includes severance payments that do not meet policy criteria. Severance pay exceeds 2 times the executive's salary. In the event of a change of control, the executive's employment contract includes severance pay that is not linked to the loss of his or her position. This company uses earnings per share (EPS) as a measure of executive performance in its incentive compensation plans. EPS is readily increased by repurchasing shares. Thus, this authorization could artificially inflate the company's earnings per share and give executives an unearned bonus. A vote against the proposal was recorded. Vote recorded **ITEM 03** BOARD **POLICY** Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation Proposer: Board The proposal aims to set, in a non-restrictive manner, the frequency that shareholder will have the opportunity to approve an executive compensation program. It is relevant to allow shareholders a yearly opportunity to voice their concerns. A yearly frequency is in the shareholders' interest and has been selected. Vote recorded ITEM 04 **BOARD** POLICY Authorization of Board to Set Board Size Proposer: Board

Broad discretionary powers are granted to directors for determining the size of the board. The proposal is not in the shareholders' interest. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirmed. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 08

BOARD POLICY

Shareholder Proposal Regarding Independent Chair

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Proposer: John Chevedden

The CEO also acts as Chairman. The Chairman's role of supervising management and his or her independence from management are compromised when the Chairman is also the company's CEO. This type of proposal generally receives significant approval rates. Furthermore, this separation is an excellent governance practice. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

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## **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Dollarama Inc. (DOL)	2023-06-07,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
Canada	2023-04-13
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 25675T107

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-00001002.1	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI CAD	31800

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Joshua Bekenstein	~	×
01.02	Elect Gregory David	<b>~</b>	×
01.03	Elect Elisa D. Garcia	<b>~</b>	×
01.04	Elect Stephen K. Gunn	<b>~</b>	×
01.05	Elect Kristin Mugford	<b>~</b>	<b>/</b>
01.06	Elect Nicholas Nomicos	<b>~</b>	×
01.07	Elect Neil Rossy	<b>~</b>	×
01.08	Elect Samira Sakhia	<b>~</b>	×
01.09	Elect Thecla Sweeney	<b>~</b>	<b>/</b>
01.10	Elect Huw Thomas	<b>~</b>	×
02	Appointment of Auditor and Authority to Set Fees	<b>~</b>	<b>/</b>
03	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×
04	Shareholder proposal requesting the company to disclose the specific objectives related to the emissions goal and the gender equality goal, as well as additional information on why Dollarama believes these objectives are relevant, strategically important and consistent with its overall ESG strategy.	×	<b>/</b>
05	Shareholder proposal requesting that the company publish a report providing the following information: the financial costs of using temporary recruitment agencies to meet the needs of the company's warehouses and distribution centers, including a breakdown of the types and amounts of fees paid; and an analysis of why the costs outweigh the risks, including the possibility for increased injuries among temporary workers.	×	~
06	Shareholder proposal asking the company to adopt short- and long-term greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reduction targets based on scientific data and aligned with the Paris Agreement's ambition to maintain global temperature rise at 1.5°C.	×	<b>~</b>

ITEM 01.01 BOARD POLICY

Elect Joshua Bekenstein		×
Proposer: Board	1	1
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclus independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee. He has been or years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.		
	- Vote red	corded
ITEM 01.02	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Gregory David	/	×
Proposer: Board	'	'
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclus independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He has other significant types of economic relationshareholder. A vote against the candidate was recorded.		
	- Vote red	orded
ITEM 01.03	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Elisa D. Garcia	<b>/</b>	×
Proposer: Board	1	1
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclus independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation		

conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. She is Chief legal officer of Macy's inc and sits on

Vote recorded

the Compensation Committee, which goes against the policy. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

ITEM 01.04	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Stephen K. Gunn	<b>/</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exindependent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee and the No has been on the board for over 10 years. This nominee, who is not independent, is also Chairman, which goes against policy. A vote agains recorded.	omination Commi	ittee. He
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 01.05	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Kristin Mugford	<b>/</b>	<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exindependent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election candidate was recorded.		
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 01.06	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Nicholas Nomicos	<b>/</b>	×
Proposer: Board	' '	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exindependent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Audit Committee. He has been on the vote against the candidate was recorded.	•	•
	Vote reco	orded

ITEM 01.07	BOARD POLICY
Elect Neil Rossy	✓   ×
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are incindependent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currecandidate was recorded.	
ITEM 01.08	BOARD POLICY
Elect Samira Sakhia	✓ ×
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are incindependent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. She is the CEO of number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve sha	another company and sits on more than one board. The
ITEM 01.09	BOARD POLICY
Elect Thecla Sweeney	
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are incindependent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason of the candidate was recorded.	
ITEM 01.10	BOARD POLICY

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Audit Committee and the Nomination Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 02

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POLICY

Appointment of Auditor and Authority to Set Fees

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**BOARD** 

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Proposer: Board

More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirmed. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 03

BOARD

POLICY

Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation

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Proposer: Board

A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. The compensation committee does not disclose the performance criteria targets of its incentive plans. This makes it impossible for shareholders to understand how the company determined the amounts the executives were paid. This is not adequate disclosure. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

**ITEM 04** 

BOARD

POLICY

Shareholder proposal requesting the company to disclose the specific objectives related to the emissions goal and the gender equality goal, as well as additional information on why Dollarama believes these objectives are relevant, strategically important and consistent with its overall ESG strategy.





Proposer: Board

Since 2017, sustainability-related financial instruments have grown exponentially to over \$809 billion. Since January 2021, at least 45 Canadian public issuers have established sustainability loans and 3 have issued sustainability bonds. In March 2022, Dollarama entered into a modified credit agreement of \$1 billion related to sustainable development. However, the lack of detail regarding emissions targets and female representation raises legitimate questions among investors. Some, therefore, ask Dollarama to disclose, in its next interim financial report, the specific goals for the emissions target and the target for women in leadership positions, as well as additional information on the relevance and consistency of these goals with its overall ESG strategy. The Board of Directors opposes the proposal because it believes that all necessary information regarding the company's ESG strategy and the ESG objectives set to date have been made public. However, proponents point to the lack of regulation of sustainability lending and the risk of greenwashing associated with borrowers' self-monitoring of compliance with sustainability lending principles. In its June 2022 Climate Strategy and ESG Update, Dollarama outlines a goal of reducing scope 1 and scope 2 greenhouse gas emissions intensity by 2030, relative to a 2019 baseline, as well as a goal of maintaining at least 40 percent female representation in leadership positions. Although the emissions target has a 2030 deadline, the four tranches of the credit agreement expire between 2023 and 2027. No time frame is specified for the goal of female representation. In addition, Dollarama's ESG report mentions the goal of achieving more than 40% female representation in leadership positions, but also notes that this goal was achieved in 2020 and 2021, with 41% and 44% female representation, respectively. If Dollarama does not strengthen its targets for sustainability lending, it exposes itself to risks of greenwashing, reputational damage, and future regulatory non-compl

#### Vote recorded

ITEM 05 BOARD POLICY

Shareholder proposal requesting that the company publish a report providing the following information: the financial costs of using temporary recruitment agencies to meet the needs of the company's warehouses and distribution centers, including a breakdown of the types and amounts of fees paid; and an analysis of why the costs outweigh the risks, including the possibility for increased injuries among temporary workers.





Proposer: Board

Conflict of interest statement: GIR wishes to inform you that it has a business relationship with the proponent of this proposal. In no way do we believe that this relationship impairs our judgment and ability to apply the criteria of your policy. If you have any questions regarding this statement, please do not hesitate to contact us. The proponent requests that Dollarama publish information to understand the benefits of using temporary recruitment agencies and whether the risks associated with their use are being managed. The majority of its warehouse and distribution center staff comes from such agencies, representing between 5% and 7% of its total workforce requirements. The board explains that using agencies "to meet the peaks favors employee retention and engagement as it avoids the necessity of regular cycles of lay-offs based on the seasonal needs of the business." However, the proponent is concerned about the working conditions and safety of employees. It reports that according to forthcoming research conducted by the Université Laval on Dollarama warehouse and distribution center workers, 83% of workers would prefer to be hired directly by Dollarama, 50% feel they cannot voice their concerns to management, and 37% fear losing their jobs, while over 83% report that their work involves a medium to high degree of risk, and 78% report a lack of health and safety measures. A study published in 2016 by the Director of Public Health for Montreal actually reported that the Commission des normes, de l'équité, de la santé et de la sécurité du travail (CNESST) assesses the risk of

occupational injuries to be high for temporary agency workers, adding that according to several authors, agency workers encounter a multitude of problems when it comes to obtaining compensation for occupational injuries and are afraid of exercising their right to compensation mainly because of the fear of not being called back by the agency. For its part, Dollarama assures that it diligently selects temporary agencies and that, in compliance with Quebec laws, it maintains pay equity and applies the same health and safety standards for all workers in its facilities. The company adds that agency workers have several channels for reporting issues or concerns and are represented and participate in its distribution center's health and safety committee meetings. Nonetheless, studies showing that agency employees are at increased risk of work-related injuries are cause for concern, especially since Dollarama does not have an impeccable health and safety record. The CNESST has thus pinpointed it for non-compliance with sanitary rules in certain facilities between March 2020 and January 2021. Dollarama has also been at the center of controversies over agency workers' working conditions in 2019, 2020, and 2021, with many criticizing the company for using agencies that compete with each other, resulting in them wanting to provide the best return to the company, often at the expense of working conditions. We therefore believe that it is in the best interest of shareholders that Dollarama increase its transparency regarding its use of temporary agencies and its management of health and safety risks. It is important to remember that the discovery of labor rights abuses within a company's operations can expose the company to significant legal, exploitative, and reputational risks, including boycotts and divestment. The proposal is in the shareholders' interest. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 06 BOARD POLICY

Shareholder proposal asking the company to adopt short- and long-term greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reduction targets based on scientific data and aligned with the Paris Agreement's ambition to maintain global temperature rise at 1.5°C.





Proposer: Board

Statement of conflict of interest: The GIR wishes to inform you that it maintains a business relationship with the proponent of this proposal. In no way do we believe that this relationship impairs our judgment and ability to apply the criteria of your policy. If you have any questions regarding this statement, please do not hesitate to contact us. The materiality of the issue of climate change is not to be demonstrated. Its devastating human, social, environmental and economic consequences are already being felt and are only a foretaste of a world where the rise in the Earth's average temperature would exceed 1.5°C compared to the pre-industrial era. The Glasgow Compact, adopted at the end of the COP26 in November 2021, reconfirmed the need to reduce global carbon dioxide emissions by 45% by 2030 in order to keep warming below 1.5°C. In this context, the proponent calls on Dollarama to adopt science-based GHG emission reduction targets aligned with the Paris Agreement. These targets should be made public in 2025 and cover emissions from operations and the supply chain (scope 1, 2 and 3), following the advice of advisory bodies and drawing up a detailed climate transition plan. The proponent believes that the company has not undertaken a formal analysis of climate-related risks, opportunities and scenarios. The Board of Directors opposes the proposal, believing that the company's current GHG emissions reduction strategy is sufficient and that the publication of specific targets is unnecessary. However, Dollarama's disclosures and practices are unsatisfactory. For example, the company does not follow the recommendations of the internationally-recognized Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD), which was set up to improve and increase climate-related financial reporting, nor does it have science-based targets aligned with the objectives of the Paris Agreement, it does not have a time commitment for disclosure and reduction of Scope 3 emissions, and it does not provide sufficient information on the operational, financial and regulatory risks related to climate change to which it is exposed, despite its recognition of their existence. Dollarama generally lags behind its peers, such as Metro Inc. If Dollarama persists on this path, it could face financial and reputational risks, given increasing investor demands for disclosure and government initiatives to reduce emissions. The proposal is in the shareholders' interest. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

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ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Dollarama Inc. (DOL)	2023-06-07,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
Canada	2023-04-13
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 25675T107

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-00001002.1	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI CAD	31800

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Joshua Bekenstein	<b>/</b>	×
01.02	Elect Gregory David	<b>~</b>	×
01.03	Elect Elisa D. Garcia	<b>~</b>	×
01.04	Elect Stephen K. Gunn	<b>~</b>	×
01.05	Elect Kristin Mugford	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.06	Elect Nicholas Nomicos	<b>/</b>	×
01.07	Elect Neil Rossy	<b>/</b>	×
01.08	Elect Samira Sakhia	<b>/</b>	×
01.09	Elect Thecla Sweeney	<b>/</b>	<b>~</b>
01.10	Elect Huw Thomas	<b>/</b>	×
02	Appointment of Auditor and Authority to Set Fees	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
03	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×
04	Shareholder proposal requesting the company to disclose the specific objectives related to the emissions goal and the gender equality goal, as well as additional information on why Dollarama believes these objectives are relevant, strategically important and consistent with its overall ESG strategy.	×	<b>~</b>
05	Shareholder proposal requesting that the company publish a report providing the following information: the financial costs of using temporary recruitment agencies to meet the needs of the company's warehouses and distribution centers, including a breakdown of the types and amounts of fees paid; and an analysis of why the costs outweigh the risks, including the possibility for increased injuries among temporary workers.	×	~
06	Shareholder proposal asking the company to adopt short- and long-term greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reduction targets based on scientific data and aligned with the Paris Agreement's ambition to maintain global temperature rise at 1.5°C.	×	<b>~</b>

ITEM 01.01 BOARD POLICY

Elect Joshua Bekenstein	<b>/</b>		×
Proposer: Board	·		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclindependent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee. He has been years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.			
	- Vote re	ecord	ed
ITEM 01.02	BOARD	P	OLICY
Elect Gregory David	<b>/</b>		×
Proposer: Board	•		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclindependent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He has other significant types of economic relastiance has bareholder. A vote against the candidate was recorded.			
	- Vote re	ecord	ed
ITEM 01.03	BOARD	P	OLICY
Elect Elisa D. Garcia	<b>~</b>		×
Proposer: Board	'	1	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is excl	lusively made	e up o	f

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. She is Chief legal officer of Macy's inc and sits on the Compensation Committee, which goes against the policy. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.04	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Stephen K. Gunn	<b>/</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exindependent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee and the No has been on the board for over 10 years. This nominee, who is not independent, is also Chairman, which goes against policy. A vote against recorded.	omination Commi	ittee. He
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 01.05	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Kristin Mugford	<b>/</b>	<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exindependent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election candidate was recorded.		
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 01.06	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Nicholas Nomicos	<b>/</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exindependent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Audit Committee. He has been on the vote against the candidate was recorded.	•	•
	Vote reco	orded

ITEM 01.07	BOARD POLICY
Elect Neil Rossy	✓ ×
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently the chief execuandidate was recorded.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 01.08	BOARD POLICY
Elect Samira Sakhia	✓ ×
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. She is the CEO of another company number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest.	and sits on more than one board. The
ITEM 01.09	BOARD POLICY
Elect Thecla Sweeney	
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this fir of the candidate was recorded.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 01.10	BOARD POLICY

the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 03 BOARD

Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation

This is not adequate disclosure. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

**Proposer:** Board

A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. The compensation committee does not disclose the performance criteria targets of its incentive plans. This makes it impossible for shareholders to understand how the company determined the amounts the executives were paid.

POLICY

Vote recorded

ITEM 04 BOARD POLICY

Shareholder proposal requesting the company to disclose the specific objectives related to the emissions goal and the gender equality goal, as well as additional information on why Dollarama believes these objectives are relevant, strategically important and consistent with its overall ESG strategy.





Proposer: Board

Since 2017, sustainability-related financial instruments have grown exponentially to over \$809 billion. Since January 2021, at least 45 Canadian public issuers have established sustainability loans and 3 have issued sustainability bonds. In March 2022, Dollarama entered into a modified credit agreement of \$1 billion related to sustainable development. However, the lack of detail regarding emissions targets and female representation raises legitimate questions among investors. Some, therefore, ask Dollarama to disclose, in its next interim financial report, the specific goals for the emissions target and the target for women in leadership positions, as well as additional information on the relevance and consistency of these goals with its overall ESG strategy. The Board of Directors opposes the proposal because it believes that all necessary information regarding the company's ESG strategy and the ESG objectives set to date have been made public. However, proponents point to the lack of regulation of sustainability lending and the risk of greenwashing associated with borrowers' self-monitoring of compliance with sustainability lending principles. In its June 2022 Climate Strategy and ESG Update, Dollarama outlines a goal of reducing scope 1 and scope 2 greenhouse gas emissions intensity by 2030, relative to a 2019 baseline, as well as a goal of maintaining at least 40 percent female representation in leadership positions. Although the emissions target has a 2030 deadline, the four tranches of the credit agreement expire between 2023 and 2027. No time frame is specified for the goal of female representation. In addition, Dollarama's ESG report mentions the goal of achieving more than 40% female representation in leadership positions, but also notes that this goal was achieved in 2020 and 2021, with 41% and 44% female representation, respectively. If Dollarama does not strengthen its targets for sustainability lending, it exposes itself to risks of greenwashing, reputational damage, and future regulatory non-compl

#### Vote recorded

ITEM 05 BOARD POLICY

Shareholder proposal requesting that the company publish a report providing the following information: the financial costs of using temporary recruitment agencies to meet the needs of the company's warehouses and distribution centers, including a breakdown of the types and amounts of fees paid; and an analysis of why the costs outweigh the risks, including the possibility for increased injuries among temporary workers.





Proposer: Board

Conflict of interest statement: GIR wishes to inform you that it has a business relationship with the proponent of this proposal. In no way do we believe that this relationship impairs our judgment and ability to apply the criteria of your policy. If you have any questions regarding this statement, please do not hesitate to contact us. The proponent requests that Dollarama publish information to understand the benefits of using temporary recruitment agencies and whether the risks associated with their use are being managed. The majority of its warehouse and distribution center staff comes from such agencies, representing between 5% and 7% of its total workforce requirements. The board explains that using agencies "to meet the peaks favors employee retention and engagement as it avoids the necessity of regular cycles of lay-offs based on the seasonal needs of the business." However, the proponent is concerned about the working conditions and safety of employees. It reports that according to forthcoming research conducted by the Université Laval on Dollarama warehouse and distribution center workers, 83% of workers would prefer to be hired directly by Dollarama, 50% feel they cannot voice their concerns to management, and 37% fear losing their jobs, while over 83% report that their work involves a medium to high degree of risk, and 78% report a lack of health and safety measures. A study published in 2016 by the Director of Public Health for Montreal actually reported that the Commission des normes, de l'équité, de la santé et de la sécurité du travail (CNESST) assesses the risk of

occupational injuries to be high for temporary agency workers, adding that according to several authors, agency workers encounter a multitude of problems when it comes to obtaining compensation for occupational injuries and are afraid of exercising their right to compensation mainly because of the fear of not being called back by the agency. For its part, Dollarama assures that it diligently selects temporary agencies and that, in compliance with Quebec laws, it maintains pay equity and applies the same health and safety standards for all workers in its facilities. The company adds that agency workers have several channels for reporting issues or concerns and are represented and participate in its distribution center's health and safety committee meetings. Nonetheless, studies showing that agency employees are at increased risk of work-related injuries are cause for concern, especially since Dollarama does not have an impeccable health and safety record. The CNESST has thus pinpointed it for non-compliance with sanitary rules in certain facilities between March 2020 and January 2021. Dollarama has also been at the center of controversies over agency workers' working conditions in 2019, 2020, and 2021, with many criticizing the company for using agencies that compete with each other, resulting in them wanting to provide the best return to the company, often at the expense of working conditions. We therefore believe that it is in the best interest of shareholders that Dollarama increase its transparency regarding its use of temporary agencies and its management of health and safety risks. It is important to remember that the discovery of labor rights abuses within a company's operations can expose the company to significant legal, exploitative, and reputational risks, including boycotts and divestment. The proposal is in the shareholders' interest. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 06 BOARD POLICY

Shareholder proposal asking the company to adopt short- and long-term greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reduction targets based on scientific data and aligned with the Paris Agreement's ambition to maintain global temperature rise at 1.5°C.





Proposer: Board

Statement of conflict of interest: The GIR wishes to inform you that it maintains a business relationship with the proponent of this proposal. In no way do we believe that this relationship impairs our judgment and ability to apply the criteria of your policy. If you have any questions regarding this statement, please do not hesitate to contact us. The materiality of the issue of climate change is not to be demonstrated. Its devastating human, social, environmental and economic consequences are already being felt and are only a foretaste of a world where the rise in the Earth's average temperature would exceed 1.5°C compared to the pre-industrial era. The Glasgow Compact, adopted at the end of the COP26 in November 2021, reconfirmed the need to reduce global carbon dioxide emissions by 45% by 2030 in order to keep warming below 1.5°C. In this context, the proponent calls on Dollarama to adopt science-based GHG emission reduction targets aligned with the Paris Agreement. These targets should be made public in 2025 and cover emissions from operations and the supply chain (scope 1, 2 and 3), following the advice of advisory bodies and drawing up a detailed climate transition plan. The proponent believes that the company has not undertaken a formal analysis of climate-related risks, opportunities and scenarios. The Board of Directors opposes the proposal, believing that the company's current GHG emissions reduction strategy is sufficient and that the publication of specific targets is unnecessary. However, Dollarama's disclosures and practices are unsatisfactory. For example, the company does not follow the recommendations of the internationally-recognized Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD), which was set up to improve and increase climate-related financial reporting, nor does it have science-based targets aligned with the objectives of the Paris Agreement, it does not have a time commitment for disclosure and reduction of Scope 3 emissions, and it does not provide sufficient information on the operational, financial and regulatory risks related to climate change to which it is exposed, despite its recognition of their existence. Dollarama generally lags behind its peers, such as Metro Inc. If Dollarama persists on this path, it could face financial and reputational risks, given increasing investor demands for disclosure and government initiatives to reduce emissions. The proposal is in the shareholders' interest. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

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## **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER Dream Industrial REIT (TSE: DIR.UN)	MEETING DATE 2023-06-06,	
COUNTRY Canada	RECORD DATE 2023-04-14	
MEETING LOCATION		
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 26153W109	

## POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.1	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI CAD	101900

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect R. Sacha Bhatia	~	<b>✓</b>
01.02	Elect Michael J. Cooper	~	П
01.03	Elect J. Michael Knowlton	~	Ш
01.04	Elect Ben Mulroney	<b>~</b>	Ш
01.05	Elect Brian Pauls	<b>~</b>	Ш
01.06	Elect Vicky Schiff	<b>~</b>	Ш
01.07	Elect Jennifer Scoffield	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
01.08	Elect Vincenza Sera	<b>~</b>	Ш
02	Appointment of Auditor and Authority to Set Fees	<b>~</b>	П

## **PROXY ANALYSIS**

ITEM 01.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect R. Sacha Bhatia	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.02 BOARD POLICY

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#### Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is the CEO of Dream Office Real Estate Investment Trust and sits on more than one board. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.03

BOARD POLICY

Elect J. Michael Knowlton

### Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. He sits on an Audit Committee that approved payment to the auditors of an excessive amount (over 25%) of fees not related to auditing. He is the Chairman of Crombie Real Estate Investment Trust and sits on a total of more than two boards. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

#### **Proposer:** Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee and the Nomination Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's

governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. In the absence an abstention for the candidate was recorded.	of the opti	on against,
	Vote recorded	
ITEM 01.05	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Brian Pauls	<b>~</b>	Ш
Proposer: Board	'	•
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the currently the chief executive officer of the firm. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.		
	- Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.06	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Vicky Schiff	<b>~</b>	Ш
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy Committee that approved auditor fees where more than 25% of the fees were for non-auditing-related services. The chair of the board is not is situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. In the against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.	v. She sits or ndependen e is respons	n an Audit t. This ible for the
	<ul> <li>Vote rec</li> </ul>	orded
ITEM 01.07	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Jennifer Scoffield	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board	·	

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this first-time nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Appointment of Auditor and Authority to Set Fees

Proposer: Board

More than 25% of the fees paid to the firm were for services other than financial auditing. In the absence of the option against, an abstention was recorded.

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## **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER	MEETING DATE	
TJX Companies Inc. (The) (TJX)	2023-06-06,	
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE	
United States	2023-04-13	
MEETING LOCATION		
MEETING TYPE	SECURITIES	
Annual	872540109	

## POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.2	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	11900

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect José B. Alvarez	~	×
01.02	Elect Alan M. Bennett	<b>~</b>	×
01.03	Elect Rosemary T. Berkery	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.04	Elect David T. Ching	<b>~</b>	×
01.05	Elect C. Kim Goodwin	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.06	Elect Ernie Herrman	<b>~</b>	×
01.07	Elect Amy B. Lane	<b>~</b>	×
01.08	Elect Carol Meyrowitz	<b>~</b>	×
01.09	Elect Jackwyn L. Nemerov	<b>~</b>	×
02	Ratification of Auditor	~	<b>~</b>
03	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×
04	Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1
05	Shareholder proposal that the Board of Directors oversee an independent assessment and report to shareholders on the effectiveness of the company's current due diligence to prevent forced labour, child labour and prison labour in its supply chain.	×	<b>~</b>
06	Shareholder proposal requesting a report on the financial, reputational and human rights risks resulting from the use of companies that misclassify employees as independent contractors in TJX's supply chain and distribution networks.	×	<b>~</b>
07	Shareholder proposal requesting that the Company adopt and publicly disclose a policy stating that all employees accrue paid sick leave that can be used after working a reasonable trial period. This policy should not be temporary or conditional on the existence of a global pandemic.	×	<b>~</b>

ITEM 01.01 BOARD POLICY

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded **BOARD** ITEM 01.02 POLICY Elect Alan M. Bennett Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded ITEM 01.03 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Rosemary T. Berkery

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.04 **BOARD** POLICY

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Audit Committee and the Nomination Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.05

BOARD POLICY

Elect C. Kim Goodwin

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**Proposer:** Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.06

BOARD POLICY

Elect Ernie Herrman

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**Proposer:** Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently the chief executive officer of the firm. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.07

BOARD

POLICY

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Audit Committee. She has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.08

BOARD POLICY

**Elect Carol Meyrowitz** 

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. She is the Executive Chair of the Board. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.09

BOARD POLICY

Elect Jackwyn L. Nemerov

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

**ITEM 02** 

BOARD

**POLICY** 

due diligence to prevent forced labour, child labour and prison labour in its supply chain.

Proposer: NorthStar Asset Management Funded Pension Plan / Sisters of St. Dominic

The discovery of serious human rights abuses in a company's operations and supply chain can expose the company to significant financial, legal, operational and reputational risks, including boycotts and divestment. The adoption of a policy on human rights and a code of conduct for its suppliers that is credible, complete, and consistent with internationally recognized standards, allows mitigating these risks, insofar as the company ensures compliance with its policies through recognized independent auditors. They must also put in place a due diligence process to effectively identify, assess, prevent and mitigate actual and potential adverse human rights impacts that they may have or contribute to through their operations or supply chain, as required by the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights. It should also be remembered that some states, such as France and Germany, require companies to exercise due diligence to avoid violating human rights, while others, including Canada, California, the UK and Australia, have laws requiring them to disclose actions taken to counter modern slavery. In the case of TJX, we note that the company, which is in a human rights risk sector, does not have a human rights policy and that its supplier code of conduct is flawed, with some standards falling short of internationally recognized standards, particularly in relation to child labour, freedom of association and collective bargaining rights. TJX also offers little information on how it ensures compliance with this code. For example, we don't know whether inspections are always entrusted to an independent auditor, whether they are announced, or how often they are carried out. In addition, as part of its social compliance audit program, the audit focuses on the factories that manufacture its private label products, which represent a minority of its products. This means that only a small proportion of factories are audited on a regular basis, and we don't know how TJX ensures that the others comply with its code. In addition, its performance remains dismal in the 2021 KnowTheChain and Corporate Human Rights Benchmark (CHRB) rankings on human rights risk management. In its comparative study of public efforts by 37 apparel and footwear giants to protect employees in their supply chains from forced labour, KnowTheChain ranks TJX 29th, with a score of 19 out of 100 that is well below the industry average (41 out of 100). TJX also received a score of zero in two of the seven key areas assessed, namely the ability of workers to voice their grievances and supply chain transparency and risk assessment. As for the CHRB ranking, TJX received a mediocre score of 4 out of 26, while the industry average is 9 out of 26. It comes very far behind Tesco (21.5/26), Marks & Spencer (20.5/26), Gap (18.5/26), VF Corporation (20.5/26) and H&M (15.5/26). We note that it did not collect any points for the 5 indicators related to due diligence. In this context, we consider it important to support the proposal to encourage TJX to make more efforts to protect workers from forced labour and other human rights violations. Shareholders have the right to know how, and how effectively. TJX detects, manages and prevents risks related to these rights. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 06 BOARD POLICY

Shareholder proposal requesting a report on the financial, reputational and human rights risks resulting from the use of companies that misclassify employees as independent contractors in TJX's supply chain and distribution networks.





**Proposer:** International Brotherhood of Teamsters

The discovery of serious violations to human rights and worker rights within the supply chain of a company can expose them to significant financial, legal, operational and reputational risks, or even to boycott and disinvestment. In its proposal, the International Brotherhood of Teamsters highlights a problem that can affect the supply chain of large retailers, but which has received little attention from investors so far, even if it can damage shareholder value: the use of trucking companies that consider their drivers to be self-employed. The union explains that this misclassification allows them not to offer workers certain basic protections, such as minimum wage and overtime pay. It points out that over the past decade, the California Labor Commission has awarded more than US\$50 million to

misclassified dockworkers, while millions of dollars have allegedly been paid out in private litigation. It notes that TJX's standards and disclosures do not address this issue, which can lead to financial and reputational risks as well as human rights concerns. Like the proponent, we note that this workers misclassification is an important issue, since most federal and state labour-related protections, such as minimum wage, overtime pay, and protection from discrimination and harassment, are afforded only to employees. This problem is not new. In 2000, a study commissioned by the U.S. Department of Labor found that between 20% and 30% of employers audited had misclassified workers, and that up to 95% of workers who claimed to have been misclassified were reclassified as employees following a review. More recently, retailers including Home Depot, Target and Costco were singled out in a USA Today Network investigative report, which revealed in 2017 that California port trucking companies, which were accused of violating labour laws, had transported goods belonging to them. They allegedly misclassified their drivers and exploited them, pushing them into debt and making them work up to 20 hours a day for a miserable salary. In addition, laws have been passed to combat employee misclassification, notably in California. There are therefore risks for companies that have companies in their supply chain or distribution networks that misclassify employees as contractors or self-employed. In the case of TJX, we note that its code of conduct for suppliers does not explicitly address this issue, although it requires compliance with all applicable laws and regulations. Moreover, as we pointed out in our analysis of the previous proposal, the information disclosed by the company is insufficient to judge the effectiveness of the measures taken to ensure compliance with this code by all suppliers. In this context, we believe it is in the best interests of shareholders to support the proposal and for TJX to further assess and b

Vote recorded

ITEM 07 BOARD POLICY

Shareholder proposal requesting that the Company adopt and publicly disclose a policy stating that all employees accrue paid sick leave that can be used after working a reasonable trial period. This policy should not be temporary or conditional on the existence of a global pandemic.



**Proposer:** Figure 8 Investment Strategies, the Revocable Trust of Ellen E. Bush

The possibility for workers to benefit from paid sick leave represents an important social issue in the United States. Indeed, the United States is the only industrialized country without a national law guaranteeing access to such leave, although 14 States and the District of Columbia have such laws, as do several cities. In 2022, 23% of private-sector workers were not entitled to any paid days to care for themselves, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), What's more, the Wall Street Journal reported in 2021 that 77% of the 10% lowest-paid American employees don't have access to paid sick leave. BLS data also show that 42.1% of workers with earnings at or below the 25th percentile report no paid leave of any kind, compared with less than 19.2% of those with earnings above the 25th percentile. The same applies to 48.4% of workers of Hispanic or Latin American origin and 36.3% of black workers, compared to 32.6% of white workers. These data show that access to paid sick leave is an issue of racial equity and justice in the U.S., in addition to being a public safety issue. When they're sick, employees who can't take advantage of paid leave have the choice of staying at home without pay, thereby compromising their financial stability, or going to work, risking infecting other people, colleagues, or customers, if they're contagious, which is particularly problematic in the retail sector. They are also at risk of retaliation by their employer, including being fired, if they do not show up for work. However, it seems to be in the interest of companies to offer such leave to all their staff. Among the most obvious benefits are the reduction in the risk of an outbreak that could disrupt their activities in the case of infectious diseases, and the risk of work-related accidents linked to the presence of more tired and sick employees. Offering paid leave also allows companies to demonstrate their commitment to protecting the health and well-being of their employees and customers, two valuable stakeholder groups. Finally, more generally, by improving the working conditions of their workforce, companies can enhance their reputation and ability to attract and retain skilled employees, as well as boost morale and productivity in the workplace. In the case of TJX, we note that the company does not grant paid sick leave to its employees, those who are ill having to resort to paid leave, which can be used for a variety of reasons. This situation is worrying. As we mentioned earlier, this lack of access to such leave can encourage employees, especially those with lower wages,

to go to work even if they are sick, which can have negative effects on the quality of their work. These effects will be even greater if the employee has a contagious disease, thus threatening the safety of staff and customers, as well as employee productivity and morale. Given that offering paid sick leave to all employees has many benefits for the company and its stakeholders, as better protecting its workers could improve their retention, productivity and morale while providing consumers with safer and more hygienic shopping conditions, we find the proposal to be justified, reasonable and in the best interests of shareholders. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

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### **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER Hydro One Ltd (TSE:H)	MEETING DATE 2023-06-02,
COUNTRY Canada	RECORD DATE 2023-04-21
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 448811208

POLICY: Share - Genus	
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ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-00001002.1	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI CAD	49400

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Cherie L. Brant	<b>~</b>	Ш
01.02	Elect David Hay	<b>~</b>	~
01.03	Elect Timothy E. Hodgson	<b>~</b>	~
01.04	Elect David Lebeter	<b>~</b>	Ш
01.05	Elect Mitch Panciuk	<b>~</b>	Ш
01.06	Elect Mark Podlasly	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.07	Elect Stacey Mowbray	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.08	Elect Helga Reidel	<b>~</b>	Ш
01.09	Elect Melissa Sonberg	~	<b>~</b>
01.10	Elect Brian Vaasjo	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.11	Elect Susan Wolburgh Jenah	~	Ш
02	Appointment of Auditor and Authority to Set Fees	~	<b>~</b>
03	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>

### **PROXY ANALYSIS**

ITEM 01.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Cherie L. Brant	~	п

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the company, sits on this committee. She is a representative of the Province of Ontario, a shareholder of the company, on the board of directors. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.02 BOARD **Elect David Hay** Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.03 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Timothy E. Hodgson Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.04 **BOARD POLICY Elect David Lebeter** Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nominatio exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently the chief exfirm. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 01.05	BOARD POLICY
Elect Mitch Panciuk	✓ II
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nominatio exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the policy. He is a representative of the P shareholder of the company, on the board of directors. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 01.06	BOARD POLICY
Elect Mark Podlasly	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nominatio exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this roote in favour of the candidate was recorded.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 01.07	BOARD POLICY
Elect Stacey Mowbray	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board	

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nominatio exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this rote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 01.08	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Helga Reidel	<b>✓</b>	Ш
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nominatio exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the policy. She is a representative of the shareholder of the company, on the board of directors. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.		
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 01.09	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Melissa Sonberg	<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nominatio exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this roote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 01.10	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Brian Vaasjo	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this first-time nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.11 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Susan Wolburgh Jenah Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on this committee. She is a representative of the Province of Ontario, a shareholder of the company, on the board of directors. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 02 **BOARD** POLICY Appointment of Auditor and Authority to Set Fees Proposer: Board More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirmed. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded. Vote recorded **ITEM 03 BOARD** Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation Proposer: Board

A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it meets all of the policy criteria. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

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ISSUER Canadian Apartment Properties REIT (CAR.UN)	MEETING DATE 2023-06-01,
COUNTRY Canada	RECORD DATE 2023-04-10
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 134921105

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.1	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI CAD	22700

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Lori-Ann Beausoleil	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
01.02	Elect Harold Burke	<b>~</b>	Ш
01.03	Elect Gina Parvaneh Cody	<b>~</b>	Ш
01.04	Elect Mark Kenney	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.05	Elect Gervais Levasseur	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.06	Elect Ken Silver	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.07	Elect Jennifer Stoddart	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.08	Elect Elaine Todres	<b>~</b>	Ш
01.09	Elect René Tremblay	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
02	Appointment of Auditor and Authority to Set Fees	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
03	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×

#### **PROXY ANALYSIS**

ITEM 01.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Lori-Ann Beausoleil	<b>~</b>	~

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

# Vote recorded ITEM 01.02 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Harold Burke Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on these committees. He has been on the board for over 10 years. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.03 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Gina Parvaneh Cody Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. She is the Chairwoman of this company and sits on a total of more than two boards. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.04 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Mark Kenney Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently the chief executive officer of the firm. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

	Vote rec	corded
ITEM 01.05	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Gervais Levasseur	<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board	'	1
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them a Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This no oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.	•	
	- Vote rec	corded
ITEM 01.06	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Ken Silver	<b>✓</b>	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board	·	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them a Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This no oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
		corded
ITEM 01.07	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Jennifer Stoddart	<b>✓</b>	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this first-time nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

		ote recorded	
ITEM 01.08	BOARD	POLICY	
Elect Elaine Todres	<b>~</b>	ш	
Proposer: Board			
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Commi Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the pol committees. She has been on the board for over 10 years. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.			
	• Vote rec	orded	
ITEM 01.09	BOARD	POLICY	
Elect René Tremblay	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>	
Proposer: Board			
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Commi Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.			
	• Vote rec	orded	
ITEM 02	BOARD	POLICY	
Appointment of Auditor and Authority to Set Fees	~	<b>~</b>	
Proposer: Board			
More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirm the proposal was recorded.	ed. A vote	in favour of	
the proposal was recorded.	• Vote rec	corded	

ITEM 03 BOARD POLICY

Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation



**Proposer:** Board

A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. Severance pay exceeds 2 times the executive's salary. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

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ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Publicis Groupe SA (PUB)	2023-05-31,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
France	2023-05-26
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE	SECURITIES
Mix	F7607Z165

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.9	Genus Encasa - N1-000001002.9	10200

Financial statements  Consolidated financial statements  Allocate dividend  Allocate dividend  Special report on related-party agreements  Elect Suzan LeVine  Elect Antonella Mei- Pochtler  Appoint auditors  Remuneration policy of chairman  Remuneration policy of the supervisory board  Remuneration policy of the chairman of the management board  Remuneration of chairman of the supervisory board  Remuneration of chairman of the supervisory board  Remuneration of chairman of the management board   Remuneration of chairman of the management board   Remuneration of chairman of the management board Anne-Gabrielle Heilbronner  Remuneration of chairman of the member of the management board Steve King  Remuneration of chairman of the member of the management board Michel-Alain Proch	ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
Allocate dividend  Special report on related-party agreements  Elect Suzan LeVine  Elect Antonella Mei- Pochtler  Appoint auditors  Remuneration policy of chairman  Remuneration policy of the chairman of the management board  Remuneration policy of the supervisory board  Remuneration policy of the chairman of the management board  Remuneration of corporate officers  Remuneration of chairman of the supervisory board  Remuneration of chairman of the supervisory board  Remuneration of chairman of the management board Anne-Gabrielle Heilbronner  Remuneration of chairman of the member of the management board Steve King	01	Financial statements	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
Special report on related-party agreements  Elect Suzan LeVine  Appoint auditors  Remuneration policy of chairman  Remuneration policy of the supervisory board  Remuneration policy of the management board  Remuneration of corporate officers  Remuneration of chairman of the management board  Remuneration of chairman of the management board Anne-Gabrielle Heilbronner  Remuneration of chairman of the member of the management board Steve King	02	Consolidated financial statements	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
Elect Suzan LeVine  Elect Antonella Mei- Pochtler  Appoint auditors  Remuneration policy of chairman  Remuneration policy of the supervisory board  Remuneration policy of the chairman of the management board  Remuneration policy of the management board  Remuneration of corporate officers  Remuneration of chairman of the supervisory board  Remuneration of chairman of the management board  Remuneration of chairman of the supervisory board  Remuneration of chairman of the management board  Remuneration of chairman of the management board  Remuneration of chairman of the management board  Remuneration of chairman of the member of the management board Anne -Gabrielle Heilbronner  Remuneration of chairman of the member of the management board Steve King	03	Allocate dividend	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
66 Elect Antonella Mei- Pochtler  77 Appoint auditors  8 Remuneration policy of chairman  9 Remuneration policy of the supervisory board  10 Remuneration policy of the chairman of the management board  11 Remuneration policy of the management board  12 Remuneration of corporate officers  13 Remuneration of chairman of the supervisory board  14 Remuneration of chairman of the management board  15 Remuneration of chairman of the management board  16 Remuneration of chairman of the member of the management board Steve King  7 V  7 V  7 V  7 V  7 V  7 V  7 V  7	04	Special report on related-party agreements	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
Appoint auditors  Remuneration policy of chairman  Remuneration policy of the supervisory board  Remuneration policy of the chairman of the management board  Remuneration policy of the management board  Remuneration of corporate officers  Remuneration of corporate officers  Remuneration of chairman of the supervisory board  Remuneration of chairman of the management board Anne -Gabrielle Heilbronner  Remuneration of chairman of the member of the management board Steve King	05	Elect Suzan LeVine	<b>✓</b>	×
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Remuneration policy of the supervisory board  Remuneration policy of the chairman of the management board  Remuneration policy of the management board  Remuneration policy of the management board  Remuneration of corporate officers  Remuneration of chairman of the supervisory board  Remuneration of chairman of the management board  Remuneration of chairman of the management board Anne-Gabrielle Heilbronner  Remuneration of chairman of the member of the management board Steve King	07	Appoint auditors	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
Remuneration policy of the chairman of the management board  Remuneration policy of the management board  Remuneration of corporate officers  Remuneration of chairman of the supervisory board  Remuneration of chairman of the management board  Remuneration of chairman of the management board  Remuneration of chairman of the management board Anne -Gabrielle Heilbronner  Remuneration of chairman of the member of the management board Steve King	08	Remuneration policy of chairman	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
Remuneration policy of the management board  Remuneration of corporate officers  Remuneration of chairman of the supervisory board  Remuneration of chairman of the management board  Remuneration of chairman of the management board  Remuneration of chairman of the member of the management board Anne -Gabrielle Heilbronner  Remuneration of chairman of the member of the management board Steve King	09	Remuneration policy of the supervisory board	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
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Remuneration of chairman of the member of the management board Anne -Gabrielle Heilbronner  Remuneration of chairman of the member of the management board Steve King	13	Remuneration of chairman of the supervisory board	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
Remuneration of chairman of the member of the management board Steve King  X	14	Remuneration of chairman of the management board	<b>✓</b>	×
	15	Remuneration of chairman of the member of the management board Anne -Gabrielle Heilbronner	<b>✓</b>	×
17 Remuneration of chairman of the member of the management board Michel-Alain Proch	16	Remuneration of chairman of the member of the management board Steve King	<b>✓</b>	×
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18	Authorization to allow the management board to trade in its own shares	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
19	Authorization to allow the management board to decrease capital by cancelling shares	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
20	Issue shares in the context of employee share ownership plans	<b>/</b>	<b>~</b>
21	Issue shares without preemptive rights in the context of employee share ownership plans	<b>/</b>	<b>~</b>
22	Power o carry out formalities	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
	PROXY ANALYSIS		
ITEM 01		BOARD	POLICY
Financial s	tatements	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer:	Board	•	
	ve that more than 75% of the fees paid to the auditing firm that prepared the financial statements were for auditing services. The auditing services in the manager of the proposal was recorded.	diting firm t	
ITEM 02		BOARD	POLICY
Consolidat	ted financial statements	<b>/</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer:	Board		
	ve that more than 75% of the fees paid to the auditing firm that prepared the financial statements were for auditing services. The auditing services in taxour of the proposal was recorded.	diting firm t	hat
		<ul><li>Vote rec</li></ul>	orded
ITEM 03		BOARD	POLICY

Allocate dividend	
Proposer: Board	
It is the responsibility of the Board to make recommendations on the distribution of profits. Further, the distribution of a common shareholders. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.	dividend is in the interest of
ITEM 04	BOARD POLICY
Special report on related-party agreements	<b>/ /</b>
Proposer: Board	
This special report verifies the relationships between related parties and any possible resulting conflicts of interest. This is advisal company's reputation-related risk and any possible loss of reputation. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.	ble in order to better manage the
	Vote recorded
ITEM 05	BOARD POLICY
Elect Suzan LeVine	/ ×
Proposer: Board	1 1
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. Because heard	elections are staggered this doe

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. Because board elections are staggered, this does not allow shareholders to express their opinion on each board member in a yearly vote. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 06 BOARD POLICY

Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. Because board elections are so not allow shareholders to express their opinion on each board member in a yearly vote. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate	t member:	s. This
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 07	BOARD	POLICY
Appoint auditors	<b>~</b>	~
Proposer: Board		
KPMG is being asked to replace Mazars, following the end of their mandate. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.		
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 08	BOARD	POLICY
Remuneration policy of chairman	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The directors' compensation meets the policy criteria. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.		
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 09	BOARD	POLICY
Remuneration policy of the supervisory board	<b>~</b>	~
Proposer: Board		

Elect Antonella Mei- Pochtler

The directors' compensation meets the policy criteria. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.		
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 10	BOARD	POLICY
Remuneration policy of the chairman of the management board	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
A complete analysis of the compensation policy shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. The company does not have any recovery pexecutives reimburse any sums granted, following a restatement of accounts. A vote against the proposal was recorded.	orovisions t	o make
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 11	BOARD	POLICY
Remuneration policy of the management board	<b>✓</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
A complete analysis of the compensation policy shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. The company does not have any recovery pexecutives reimburse any sums granted, following a restatement of accounts. A vote against the proposal was recorded.	orovisions t	o make
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 12	BOARD	POLICY
Remuneration of corporate officers	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		ı

The compensation package consists of a fixed remuneration and variable remuneration in performance-based shares. The compensation does not meet all of the policy criteria. The compensation plan includes the awarding of share options. This practice is not consistent with the policy. The company does not have any recovery provisions to make executives reimburse any sums granted, following a restatement of accounts. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

	Vote recorded	
ITEM 13	BOARD	POLICY
Remuneration of chairman of the supervisory board	<b>/</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The compensation package consists of a fixed remuneration of 1,300,000 EUR and another fee as Chair of the board of 85,000 EUR. The compensation of the policy criteria. A vote against the proposal was recorded.	ensation do	es not
	- Vote rec	orded
ITEM 14	BOARD	POLICY
Remuneration of chairman of the management board	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
The compensation package consists of a fixed remuneration and variable remuneration in performance-based shares. The compensation does policy criteria. The company does not have any recovery provisions to make executives reimburse any sums granted, following a restatement of against the proposal was recorded.		
	- Vote rec	orded
ITEM 15	BOARD	POLICY
Remuneration of chairman of the member of the management board Anne -Gabrielle Heilbronner	<b>/</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
The compensation package consists of a fixed remuneration and variable remuneration in performance-based shares. The compensation does policy criteria. The company does not have any recovery provisions to make executives reimburse any sums granted, following a restatement of against the proposal was recorded.		
	<ul> <li>Vote rec</li> </ul>	orded

ITEM 16	BOARD	POLICY
Remuneration of chairman of the member of the management board Steve King	~	×
Proposer: Board		
The compensation package consists of a fixed remuneration and variable remuneration in performance-based shares. The compensation does policy criteria. The company does not have any recovery provisions to make executives reimburse any sums granted, following a restatement of against the proposal was recorded.		
	- Vote rec	corded
ITEM 17	BOARD	POLICY
Remuneration of chairman of the member of the management board Michel-Alain Proch	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
The compensation package consists of a fixed remuneration and variable remuneration in performance-based shares. The compensation does policy criteria. The company does not have any recovery provisions to make executives reimburse any sums granted, following a restatement of against the proposal was recorded.		
	- Vote rec	corded
ITEM 18	BOARD	POLICY
Authorization to allow the management board to trade in its own shares	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
It is the responsibility of the Board to recommend the issuance, split-up, buyback, or cancellation of some shares categories, based on an analy strategic opportunities. The proposal is justified by adequate business reasons, and is deemed to be in the interest of shareholders. A vote in fawas recorded.		
	- Vote rec	corded
ITEM 19	BOARD	POLICY

Authorization to allow the management board to decrease capital by cancelling shares	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
It is the Board's responsibility to make recommendations on the cancellation of some shares or categories of shares, based on a needs analysis opportunities. Repurchased and cancelled shares will not represent more than 10% of outstanding shares. A vote in favour of the proposal was		
ITEM 20	BOARD	POLICY
Issue shares in the context of employee share ownership plans	<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
It is the Board's responsibility to make recommendations on the issuance of specific shares or categories of shares, based on a needs analysis a opportunities. The capital issue is acceptable given that it doesn't represent more than 20% of outstanding shares and has a specific timeframe the proposal was recorded.	e. A vote in f	favour of
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 21	BOARD	POLICY
Issue shares without preemptive rights in the context of employee share ownership plans	<b>✓</b>	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board		
It is the Board's responsibility to make recommendations on the issuance of specific shares or categories of shares, based on a needs analysis a opportunities. The capital issue is acceptable given that it doesn't represent more than 20% of outstanding shares and has a specific timeframe the proposal was recorded.		
	Vote rec	orded
	Voterce	oraca
ITEM 22	BOARD	POLICY

This is a formality. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

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### **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER Williams-Sonoma inc. (NYSE: WSM)	MEETING DATE 2023-05-31,	
COUNTRY United States	RECORD DATE 2023-04-05	
MEETING LOCATION		
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 969904101	

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-00001002.2	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	9500

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Laura Alber	~	<b>✓</b>
01.02	Elect Esi Eggleston Bracey	~	<b>~</b>
01.03	Elect Scott Dahnke	~	<b>~</b>
01.04	Elect Anne M. Finucane	<b>~</b>	×
01.05	Elect Paula B. Pretlow	~	<b>~</b>
01.06	Elect William J. Ready	~	×
01.07	Elect Frits Dirk van Paasschen	~	<b>~</b>
02	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	~	×
03	Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1
04	Ratification of Auditor	~	<b>✓</b>

#### **PROXY ANALYSIS**

ITEM 01.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Laura Alber	<b>~</b>	~

#### Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. She is currently the chief executive officer of the firm. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

ITEM 01.02	BOARD POLICY
Elect Esi Eggleston Bracey	<b>/ /</b>
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusive independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A candidate was recorded.	
	<ul> <li>Vote recorded</li> </ul>
ITEM 01.03	BOARD POLICY
Elect Scott Dahnke	
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusive independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A verified was recorded.	
	<ul> <li>Vote recorded</li> </ul>
ITEM 01.04	• Vote recorded  BOARD POLICY
ITEM 01.04  Elect Anne M. Finucane	
Elect Anne M. Finucane	BOARD POLICY  X  Iy made up of
Elect Anne M. Finucane  Proposer: Board  The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusive independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The nominee is over 70 years old and sit on more than or	BOARD POLICY  X  Iy made up of



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#### Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.06

BOARD

POLICY

Elect William J. Ready

**✓** 

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Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is the CEO of Pinterest inc. and sits on more than one board. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.07

BOARD

**POLICY** 

Elect Frits Dirk van Paasschen

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Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

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ITEM 02

BOARD

**POLICY** 

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### **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Lowe's Companies Inc. (LOW)	2023-05-26,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
United States	2023-03-20
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 548661107

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-00001002.2	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	4100

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Raul Alvarez	~	Ш
01.02	Elect David H. Batchelder	~	Ш
01.03	Elect Scott H. Baxter	<b>~</b>	Ш
01.04	Elect Sandra B. Cochran	<b>~</b>	Ш
01.05	Elect Laurie Z. Douglas	<b>~</b>	Ш
01.06	Elect Richard W. Dreiling	~	Ш
01.07	Elect Marvin R. Ellison	~	Ш
01.08	Elect Daniel J. Heinrich	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.09	Elect Brian C. Rogers	~	Ш
01.10	Elect Bertram L. Scott	~	<b>~</b>
01.11	Elect Colleen Taylor	~	<b>~</b>
01.12	Elect Mary Elizabeth West	~	<b>~</b>
02	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	~	×
03	Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1
04	Ratification of Auditor	~	<b>~</b>
05	Shareholder Proposal Regarding Independent Chair	×	<b>~</b>

ITEM 01.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Raul Alvarez	<b>/</b>	ш
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Commit Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the po Compensation Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate w	licy, sits on t	the
	<ul> <li>Vote rec</li> </ul>	orded
ITEM 01.02	BOARD	POLICY
Elect David H. Batchelder	<b>~</b>	Ш
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Commit Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its sharehold committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating reason. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.	/. The chair o ders. The no	of the minating
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.03	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Scott H. Baxter	<b>~</b>	II

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is CEO of Kontoor Brands inc. and sits on the Compensation Committee, which goes against the policy. He is the CEO of another company and sits on more than one board. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

Proposer: Board

# Vote recorded ITEM 01.04 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Sandra B. Cochran Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. She is the CEO of Cracker Barrel Old Country Store inc and sits on a total of more than one board. The number of boards on which she sits is too high and could compromise her ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.05 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Laurie Z. Douglas Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.06 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Richard W. Dreiling

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the

Proposer: Board

Nomination Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. This non independent nominee is lead director and the position is not temporary. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded ITEM 01.07 BOARD **POLICY** Flect Marvin R. Fllison Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. This nominee is both CEO and Chairman, which goes against the policy. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.08 Elect Daniel J. Heinrich Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.09 BOARD POLICY Elect Brian C. Rogers Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

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ITEM 01.10	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Bertram L. Scott	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Commensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the polic oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	<ul><li>Vote red</li></ul>	corded
ITEM 01.11	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Colleen Taylor	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Commensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the polic oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	- Vote red	corded
ITEM 01.12	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Mary Elizabeth West	<b>/</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independen Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deem oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.	
ITEM 02	BOARD POLICY
Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	✓ ×
Proposer: Board	
A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. Too I performance. This limits the effectiveness of the bonus as an incentive to do a good job, because execut poorly. The CEO was paid more than 200 times the average pay of Americans. Large pay disparities consustainable, less inclusive, and less productive. This is not good for the company or its stakeholders in the	tives will get some part of the bonus even if they perform atribute to increasingly unequal societies, which are less
ITEM 03	BOARD POLICY
Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1 1
Proposer: Board	
The proposal aims to set, in a non-restrictive manner, the frequency that shareholder will have the opportunity to voice their concerns. A yearly frequency is in the	
ITEM 04	BOARD POLICY
Ratification of Auditor	
Proposer: Board	

More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirmed. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 05

BOARD

POLICY

Shareholder Proposal Regarding Independent Chair

X

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**Proposer:** John Chevedden

The proposal requests that the roles of Chairman and CEO be made separate. The CEO also acts as Chairman. The Chairman's role of supervising management and his or her independence from management are compromised when the Chairman is also the company's CEO. This type of proposal generally receives significant approval rates. Furthermore, this separation is an excellent governance practice. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

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ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Unum Group (NYSE:UNM)	2023-05-25 ,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
United States	2023-03-27
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE	SECURITIES
Annual	91529Y106

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.2	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	40100

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Theodore H. Bunting, Jr.	~	×
01.02	Elect Susan L. Cross	~	<b>~</b>
01.03	Elect Susan D. DeVore	~	<b>~</b>
01.04	Elect Joseph J. Echevarria	~	×
01.05	Elect Cynthia L. Egan	~	×
01.06	Elect Kevin T. Kabat	~	×
01.07	Elect Timothy F. Keaney	~	×
01.08	Elect Gale V. King	~	<b>~</b>
01.09	Elect Gloria C. Larson	~	×
01.10	Elect Richard P. McKenney	~	×
01.11	Elect Ronald P. O'Hanley	~	×
02	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×
03	Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1
04	Ratification of Auditor	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>

## PROXY ANALYSIS

ITEM 01.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Theodore H. Bunting, Jr.	<b>~</b>	×

#### Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

TIEM 01.02

BOARD POLICY

Elect Susan L. Cross

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

ITEM 01.03

BOARD POLICY

Elect Susan D. DeVore

Vote recorded

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

BOARD POLICY

Elect Joseph J. Echevarria

✓ ×

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is the Chairman of another company and sits on a total of more than two boards. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

BOARD POLICY

Elect Cynthia L. Egan

Vote recorded

BOARD POLICY

X

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. She is the Chairwoman of another company and sits on a total of more than two boards. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.06

BOARD POLICY

Elect Kevin T. Kabat

✓ ×

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee and the Nomination Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. This nominee, who is not independent, is also Chairman, which goes against policy. He is the Chairman of this company and sits on a total of more than two boards. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.07 BOARD POLICY

Elect Timothy F. Keaney	<b>✓</b>	×
Proposer: Board	·	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are in independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Au vote against the candidate was recorded.		-
		corded
ITEM 01.08	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Gale V. King	<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board	·	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are in independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason candidate was recorded.		
	- Vote red	corded
ITEM 01.09	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Gloria C. Larson	<b>✓</b>	×
Proposer: Board	•	1
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are in independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the No years. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest t shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.	omination Committee. She has been on the board fo hat are not in the best interests of the company or i	or over 10 ts

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.10	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Richard P. McKenney	<b>✓</b>	×
Proposer: Board	·	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently candidate was recorded.		
		corded
ITEM 01.11	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Ronald P. O'Hanley	<b>✓</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is the CEO of anoth number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve sharehol sits on the Compensation Committee, which goes against the policy. A vote against the candidate was record	ner company and sits on more than one board der interest. He is CEO of State Street Corpo	d. The
	Vote re	corded
ITEM 02	BOARD	POLICY
Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>✓</b>	×
Proposer: Board	'	

A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. Compensation includes severance payments that do not meet policy criteria. Severance pay exceeds 2 times the executive's salary. The compensation committee does not disclose all of the performance criteria targets of its incentive plans. This makes it impossible for shareholders to understand how the company determined the amounts the executives were paid. This is not adequate disclosure. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

	Vote recorded
ITEM 03	BOARD POLICY
Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1 1
Proposer: Board	
The proposal aims to set, in a non-restrictive manner, the frequency that shareholder will have the opportunity to relevant to allow shareholders a yearly opportunity to voice their concerns. A yearly frequency is in the shareholders	
ITEM 04	BOARD POLICY
Ratification of Auditor	
Proposer: Board	
More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing fithe proposal was recorded.	irm was verified and confirmed. A vote in favour o

Vote recorded

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ISSUER	MEETING DATE	
Chipotle Mexican Grill Inc. (CMG)	2023-05-25 ,	
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE	
United States	2023-03-28	
MEETING LOCATION		
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 16965105	

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.2	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	600

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Albert S. Baldocchi	~	×
01.02	Elect Matthew Carey	~	<b>~</b>
01.03	Elect Gregg L. Engles	~	<b>~</b>
01.04	Elect Patricia D. Fili-Krushel	~	<b>~</b>
01.05	Elect Mauricio Gutierrez	~	×
01.06	Elect Robin Hickenlooper	~	×
01.07	Elect Scott H. Maw	~	<b>~</b>
01.08	Elect Brian Niccol	~	×
01.09	Elect Mary A. Winston	~	<b>~</b>
02	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	~	×
03	Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1
04	Ratification of Auditor	~	<b>~</b>
05	Shareholder proposal requesting that provisions relating to notice policies be submitted to shareholders for approval.	×	<b>~</b>
06	Shareholder proposal requesting that the Board of Directors adopt and disclose a non-interference policy defending the freedom of association and the right to collective bargaining in its activities, in compliance with the International Labour Organization (ILO) Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work.	×	<b>~</b>

## **PROXY ANALYSIS**

ITEM 01.01 BOARD POLICY





Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Nomination Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.02

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**BOARD** 

**Elect Matthew Carey** 

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Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.03

BOARD POLICY

Elect Gregg L. Engles

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.04 BOARD POLICY

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Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.05

BOARD POLICY

Elect Mauricio Gutierrez

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Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is CEO of NRG Energy and sits on the Compensation Committee, which goes against the policy. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.06

BOARD POLICY

Elect Robin Hickenlooper

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**Proposer:** Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.07

BOARD

POLICY

Elect Scott H. Maw	
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent accord favour of the candidate was recorded.	of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusive ling to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in
	Vote recorded
ITEM 01.08	BOARD POLICY
Elect Brian Niccol	✓ ×
Proposer: Board	
	of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusive cording to the company. This nominee, who is not independent, is also Chairman,
	Vote recorded
ITEM 01.09	BOARD POLICY
Elect Mary A. Winston	
Proposer: Board	

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 02 BOARD POLICY

#### **Proposer:** James McRitchie

The proponent requests that shareholder approval be required for the following changes to the advance notice policy: (1) requiring the nomination of candidates more than 60 days prior to the annual meeting, (2) imposing new disclosure requirements on director nominees, including with respect to their past and future plans, or (3) requiring shareholders who nominate candidates to disclose the identities of their associates, except to the extent that such investors own more than 5% of the capital of the company. The goal of the advance notice policy is to ensure that shareholders have enough advanced notice to nominate directors and that they have enough time and information on all the nominees in order to cast an informed vote. This policy also establishes the shareholders' deadlines for submitting nominees to the Board of Directors before any yearly or special meeting and sets out the information that shareholders must include in their written notice to the company for all nominees to be eligible. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 06 BOARD POLICY

Shareholder proposal requesting that the Board of Directors adopt and disclose a non-interference policy defending the freedom of association and the right to collective bargaining in its activities, in compliance with the International Labour Organization (ILO) Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work.



#### **Proposer:** The Comptroller of the City of New York

The discovery of serious violations to human rights and worker rights within the company's operations can expose them to significant financial, legal, operational and reputational risks, or even to boycott and disinvestment. Among these fundamental rights are freedom of association and the right to collective bargaining, which are protected by the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the ILO's Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work, two of the ILO's eight Core Conventions, and numerous national laws. In the case of Chipotle Mexican Grill, we note that its code of ethics specifies that the company respects the right of its employees to choose to organize under national labor relations law, and does not authorize discrimination or harassment against any employee based on his or her choice. In other words, Chipotle simply undertakes to comply with applicable law, and not with international human rights standards when these are higher than local standards. As the proponent points out, we don't know what standards will prevail for the company in such a situation. In addition, Chipotle has been repeatedly accused of violating freedom of association in the United States by using anti-union tactics to undermine its employees' attempts to unionize. Alleged intimidation tactics include retaliatory dismissals and restaurant closures, as well as the use of anti-union consultants and meetings with captive audiences. For example, in October 2022, Restaurant Business reported that the U.S. National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) was investigating 14 charges against the company. including allegations that it illegally attempted to thwart efforts to unionize restaurants in New York, Maine and Kansas. The NLRB later determined that Chipotle's closing of a restaurant in Maine, at a time when workers were in the process of forming a union, violated federal labor law and targeted not only employees at that site, but also other restaurant chain workers in the U.S. considering forming a union. In November 2022, the NLRB ordered the company to reopen the restaurant, to offer impacted employees jobs and back pay, and allow them to take steps to form a union. It is important to note that these accusations of union interference can damage Chipotle's reputation and long-term value, especially since unionism enjoys strong support among the U.S. population (71% in August 2022, according to a Gallup poll). They also raise concerns about its management of human capital, which represents a valuable resource for a restaurant chain. In this context, we believe that it is reasonable, justified and in the best interests of shareholders for the company to adopt a clear policy on its commitment to respect these fundamental rights in a manner that is consistent with the ILO's Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work, Finally, according to studies presented by Trillium Asset Management, unionization can have positive effects on businesses, including worker productivity, occupational health and safety, employee satisfaction and retention, and racial and gender equity. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

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## **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Marathon Oil Corporation (MRO)	2023-05-24,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
United States	2023-03-27
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 565849106

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.2	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	63500

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Chadwick C. Deaton	<b>~</b>	×
01.02	Elect Marcela E. Donadio	~	×
01.03	Elect M. Elise Hyland	~	×
01.04	Elect Holli C. Ladhani	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.05	Elect Mark A. McCollum	~	<b>~</b>
01.06	Elect Brent J. Smolik	~	×
01.07	Elect Lee M. Tillman	~	×
01.08	Elect Shawn D. Williams	~	×
02	Ratification of Auditor	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
03	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×
04	Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1

### **PROXY ANALYSIS**

ITEM 01.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Chadwick C. Deaton	/	×

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential

conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the boar including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate		
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 01.02	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Marcela E. Donadio	~	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the boar including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate	creates pote d's governa	ential Ince,
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ITEM 01.03	BOARD	POLICY
Elect M. Elise Hyland	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate	creates pote d's governa	ential Ince,
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ITEM 01.04	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Holli C. Ladhani	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A very candidate was recorded.		f the
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ITEM 01.05	BOARD PO	OLICY
Elect Mark A. McCollum	<b>/</b>	<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board		
This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This no independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.	ominee is deem	ned
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ITEM 01.06	BOARD PO	OLICY
Elect Brent J. Smolik	<b>/</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This not independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.	t in the best int	terests
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ITEM 01.07	BOARD PO	OLICY
Elect Lee M. Tillman	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		

This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. This nominee is both CEO and Chairman, which goes against the policy. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.08 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Shawn D. Williams Proposer: Board This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 02 **BOARD** Ratification of Auditor Proposer: Board More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirmed. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded. Vote recorded **ITEM 03 BOARD** POLICY Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation Proposer: Board

A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. Compensation includes severance payments that do not meet policy criteria. Severance pay exceeds 2 times the executive's salary. This company uses total shareholder return (TSR) as a measure of executive performance in its

incentive compensation plans. TSR is readily increased by repurchasing shares. Thus, executives could receive a bonus simply because of the decrease in the number of shares. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 04	BOARD	POLICY
Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1

**Proposer:** Board

The proposal aims to set, in a non-restrictive manner, the frequency that shareholder will have the opportunity to approve an executive compensation program. It is relevant to allow shareholders a yearly opportunity to voice their concerns. A yearly frequency is in the shareholders' interest and has been selected.

Vote recorded

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## **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Merck & Co. Inc. (MRK)	2023-05-23,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
United States	2023-04-24
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 589331107/58933Y105

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER N1-000001002.2	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	STOCK COUNT 7800

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Douglas M. Baker, Jr.	<b>✓</b>	×
01.02	Elect Mary Ellen Coe	<b>✓</b>	×
01.03	Elect Pamela J. Craig	<b>✓</b>	×
01.04	Elect Robert M. Davis	<b>✓</b>	×
01.05	Elect Thomas H. Glocer	<b>✓</b>	×
01.06	Elect Risa Lavizzo-Mourey	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
01.07	Elect Stephen L. Mayo	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
01.08	Elect Paul B. Rothman	<b>✓</b>	×
01.09	Elect Patricia F. Russo	<b>✓</b>	×
01.10	Elect Christine E. Seidman	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
01.11	Elect Inge G. Thulin	<b>~</b>	×
01.12	Elect Kathy J. Warden	<b>~</b>	×
01.13	Elect Peter C. Wendell	<b>~</b>	×
02	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>✓</b>	×
03	Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1
04	Ratification of Auditor	<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>
05	Shareholder proposal requesting that the company produce an annual report describing the general nature and extent to which its business is dependent on and vulnerable to Communist China.	×	×

06	Shareholder proposal requesting that the Board of Directors produce a report for shareholders explaining to what extent and in what way the company will take into account the fact that it or its business partners have received government financial support to develop and manufacture COVID-19 therapeutics when making decisions regarding their accessibility.	×	~
07	Shareholder Proposal Regarding Third-Party Political Expenditures Reporting	×	~
08	Shareholder Proposal Regarding Extended Patent Exclusivities and Application for Secondary and Tertiary Patents	×	<b>~</b>
09	Shareholder proposal requesting that the company issue a report analyzing the compatibility between, firstly, voluntary partnerships with organizations that facilitate collaboration between companies, governments and non-governmental organizations for social and political purposes and, secondly, the company's fiduciary duty to shareholders.	×	×
10	Shareholder Proposal Regarding Independent Chair	×	<b>~</b>

### **PROXY ANALYSIS**

Elect Douglas M. Baker, Jr.

BOARD POLICY

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Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee. She has other significant types of economic relationships with one of the company's clients, suppliers or consultants. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

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ITEM 01.03	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Pamela J. Craig		×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of ther independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The not including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating commit	of the board is not independent. This situation creates pote ominating committee is responsible for the board's governa	ential ince, rded.
ITEM 01.04	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Robert M. Davis		×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of ther independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. The A vote against the candidate was recorded.		
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 01.05	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Thomas H. Glocer		×
Proposer: Board	· ·	

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee and the Nomination Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted

against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. This non independent nominee is lead director and the position is not temporary. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.06 BOARD POLICY Elect Risa Lavizzo-Mourey Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.07 BOARD POLICY Elect Stephen L. Mayo Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.08 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Paul B. Rothman Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Audit Committee. He has other significant types of economic

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee and the Nomination Committee. He has other significant types of economic relationships with one of the company's clients, suppliers or consultants. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.12

BOARD POLICY

Elect Kathy J. Warden

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Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. She is the CEO of Northrop Grumman and sits on more than one board. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 02 BOARD POLICY





Proposer: Board

A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. The CEO was paid more than 200 times the average pay of Americans workers. Large pay disparities contribute to increasingly unequal societies, which are less sustainable, less inclusive, and less productive. This is not good for the company or its stakeholders in the long term. Compensation includes severance payments that do not meet policy criteria. Severance pay exceeds 2 times the executive's salary. Broad discretionary power is granted to directors regarding the implementation of the share plan. This company uses earnings per share (EPS) as a measure of executive performance in its incentive compensation plans. EPS is readily increased by repurchasing shares. Thus, this authorization could artificially inflate the company's earnings per share and give executives an unearned bonus. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

	Vote recorded	
ITEM 03	BOARD	POLICY
Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1
Proposer: Board		
The proposal aims to set, in a non-restrictive manner, the frequency that shareholder will have the opportunity to approve an executive compensation program. It is relevant to allow shareholders a yearly opportunity to voice their concerns. A yearly frequency is in the shareholders' interest and has been selected.		
	<ul><li>Vote rec</li></ul>	orded

Ratification of Auditor

Proposer: Board

BOARD POLICY

More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirmed. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 05

ITEM 04

BOARD

**POLICY** 

Shareholder proposal requesting that the company produce an annual report describing the general nature and extent to which its business is dependent on and vulnerable to Communist China.

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**Proposer:** National Legal and Policy Center

The issue of human rights and operations in countries with well-documented human rights abuses is a major social issue, and it is in the interest of shareholders that companies disclose information on this subject. However, in this case, we have serious doubts about the real intentions of the proponent. Indeed, the National Legal and Policy Center (NLPC) is a right-wing non-profit organization that says it promotes ethics in public life through research, investigation, education and legal action and believes that the best way to promote ethics is to reduce the size of government. The NLPC is recognized as an ideological group that opposes the current of responsible investment. It also uses the shareholder proposal system to undermine the legitimate efforts of many investors who are committed to advancing public company governance. Their shareholder proposals often have the appearance of proposals from responsible investors who request information or actions to improve the social or environmental performance of companies, but after examination, we find that these could be aimed at thwarting the company's actions in these areas. For example, it once filed a proposal to Alphabet regarding the government censorship in the U.S., but it may have actually been aimed at curbing the company's attempts to help the Biden administration fight misinformation related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Accordingly, we do not believe that support for the proposal is appropriate and that the proposal is in the best interests of shareholders. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 06 BOARD POLICY

Shareholder proposal requesting that the Board of Directors produce a report for shareholders explaining to what extent and in what way the company will take into account the fact that it or its business partners have received government financial support to develop and manufacture COVID-19 therapeutics when making decisions regarding their accessibility.





Proposer: Oxfam America, Inc.

In May 2023, the World Health Organization (WHO) declared the end of the pandemic's emergency phase, but as its Director General pointed out, "This does not mean that COVID-19 is over as a threat to global health". The WHO has already warned that SARS-CoV-2 "will continue to cause significant respiratory diseases". Therefore, access to vaccines and treatments on an international scale remains essential. The proponent, Oxfam America, points out that Merck's antiviral drug molnupiravir (LAGEVRIO), which has been approved to treat COVID-19, was developed at Emory University using up to \$35 million in U.S. government funding. Although the company has promised to make it widely available around the world, it has not revealed how it takes public financial support into account in decisions regarding its access. Oxfam notes that Merck has signed bilateral licensing agreements and an agreement with the Medicines Patent Pool (MPP), but that these only cover around half the world's population and exclude most upper-middle-income developing countries. He adds that his national pricing strategy does not reflect the public financial support received, because even though molnupiravir production costs around \$20 per treatment, Merck charges around \$710 for the treatment in the United States. Oxfam concludes that this pricing differential exposes Merck to reputational risk, and that if governments cannot be trusted to guarantee access to this publicly-funded treatment, they may decide to define access policies. In other words, setting prices that are too high could jeopardize the company's reputation, invite increased regulation and oversight, and ultimately harm investor returns. In response to the proposal, the Board of Directors states that the funding received by Emory University was not a factor in Merck's access strategy for molnupiravir. It points out that the company has invested heavily to ensure that the drug is available as soon as regulatory authorizations or approvals are received, and has granted voluntary license

worldwide, but does not seem to regard the issue of public funding as an important part of its pricing strategy. Yet, as Oxfam points out, this lack of consideration exposes the company to a number of risks, including tarnishing its reputation. The fact that laboratories are selling drugs developed partly with public funds at a high price, and that governments are paying twice for these drugs (first to finance their development, then to buy them from the companies), is causing increasing indignation. In fact, researchers revealed in 2018 that all new drugs approved in the U.S. from 2010 to 2016 were developed thanks to government contributions. It should also be noted that States have begun discussing a possible legally-binding international agreement to combat pandemics, which should include the problem of universal and equitable access to medical solutions, such as vaccines and treatments, leading to increased regulatory risks and government oversight. It should also be noted that States have begun discussing a possible legally-binding international agreement to combat pandemics, which should include the problem of universal and equitable access to medical solutions, such as vaccines and treatments, leading to increased regulatory risks and government oversight. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

**Proposer:** Boston Common Asset Management

Publishing a report on political contributions would be useful. In addition to creating legal risks related to the complexity of the relevant laws, political contributions create sizeable problems that can have repercussions on the value added. These companies obtain benefits at the expense of more effective strategies, such as investing in research and development. Charitable donations can also promote executives' interests without representing those of the company or its shareholders. The disclosure of political contributions promotes the directors' accountability with regard to how they allot money coming from shareholders. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 08

BOARD POLICY

Shareholder Proposal Regarding Extended Patent Exclusivities and Application for Secondary and Tertiary Patents

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**Proposer:** The Province of Saint Joseph of the Capuchin Order and co-filers

Access to prescription drugs is a crucial issue in the United States. Americans continue to pay significantly more for drugs than citizens of comparable countries. In addition to the burden these exorbitant prices place on the public purse, they can have disastrous effects on patients. For example, a 2022 KFF survey tells us that 30% of Americans who take a prescription drug report not using it as prescribed due to cost, with many choosing to cut their pills in half or skip doses, for example. High drug prices also have an impact on pharmaceutical companies. They expose themselves to legislative, regulatory, financial, and reputational risks that can damage shareholder value. For years, polls have shown that a majority of Americans believe that lowering drug costs should be a top healthcare priority, and that they would support allowing the federal government to negotiate prices directly with drug companies, a move that drug companies oppose, preferring to deal with

insurance companies that obviously have less leverage. However, these public concerns have found an echo in the political sphere. In 2022, Congress passed the Inflation Reduction Act, which finally allows the federal government to negotiate the prices of certain high-cost drugs covered by Medicare. It also requires pharmaceutical companies to pay rebates to Medicare if they raise prices faster than inflation for drugs used by Medicare beneficiaries. Also to combat skyrocketing drug prices, U.S. lawmakers have begun to examine the pharmaceutical industry's patenting practices that could unduly extend the exclusivity period on a drug and keep its price high, without any benefit to patients or innovation. One of these practices is the "patent thickets". The latter consists of several secondary patents covering formulations, dosage, or methods of use, administration, or manufacturing of a drug and which are granted after the grant of the main patent of the drug covering its active ingredient or its main molecule. Indeed, in June 2022, a bipartisan group of U.S. senators urged the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to take regulatory action to eliminate large collections of patents for a single invention, because of the impact of patent thickets on access to medicines. The proponent notes that Merck has filed 95 secondary patents for its cancer drug Keytruda, 40% of which relate to production methods and processes that can be used to manufacture the drug, which can thwart competition even after the main patent has expired. Without questioning the right to file applications for secondary patents, the proponent would like the company to take access to medicines into account in its product patenting decision-making process. The proponent believes that this would be beneficial, as the extended periods of exclusivity achieved through secondary patents and the resulting delay in generic entry limit access to medicines, creating regulatory and reputational risk, while burdening the healthcare system with unsustainable costs.

TIEM 09

Shareholder proposal requesting that the company issue a report analyzing the compatibility between, firstly, voluntary partnerships with organizations that facilitate collaboration between companies, governments and non-governmental organizations for social and political purposes and, secondly, the company's fiduciary duty to shareholders.

**Proposer:** The National Center for Public Policy Research

According to the proponent, the affiliation of the company or its CEO with organizations such as the World Economic Forum, the Council on Foreign Relations, or the Business Roundtable is detrimental to the interests of shareholders, as their programs would, in his view, run counter to the company's fiduciary duty. The proponent, the National Center for Public Policy Research, is recognized as an ideological group that opposes the responsible investment movement. It also uses the shareholder proposal system to undermine the legitimate efforts of many investors who are committed to advancing public company governance. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

TIEM 10

BOARD POLICY

Shareholder Proposal Regarding Independent Chair

X ✓

**Proposer:** Kenneth Steiner

The proposal requests that the roles of Chairman and CEO be made separate. The CEO also acts as Chairman. The Chairman's role of supervising management and
is or her independence from management are compromised when the Chairman is also the company's CEO. This type of proposal generally receives significant
pproval rates. Furthermore, this separation is an excellent governance practice. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

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#### **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER Vertex Pharmaceuticals Inc. (VRTX)	MEETING DATE 2023-05-17,
COUNTRY United States	RECORD DATE 2023-03-23
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 92532F100

### **POLICY: Share - Genus**

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-00001002.2	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	2800

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Sangeeta N. Bhatia	<b>~</b>	×
01.02	Elect Lloyd A. Carney	<b>~</b>	×
01.03	Elect Alan M. Garber	<b>~</b>	×
01.04	Elect Terrence C. Kearney	<b>~</b>	×
01.05	Elect Reshma Kewalramani	<b>~</b>	×
01.06	Elect Jeffrey M. Leiden	<b>~</b>	×
01.07	Elect Diana L. McKenzie	<b>~</b>	×
01.08	Elect Bruce I. Sachs	<b>✓</b>	×
01.09	Elect Suketu Upadhyay	<b>~</b>	×
02	Ratification of Auditor	<b>~</b>	×
03	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×
04	Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1

### PROXY ANALYSIS

ITEM 01.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Sangeeta N. Bhatia	<b>/</b>	×

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.02

BOARD POLICY

Elect Lloyd A. Carney

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, and the company of the policy of the policy. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, and the company of the policy of the policy. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, and the policy of the policy of the policy of the policy. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, and the policy of the policy. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, and the policy of th

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ITEM 01.03

BOARD POLICY

Elect Alan M. Garber

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He sits on an Audit Committee that approved payment to the auditors of an excessive amount (over 25%) of fees not related to auditing. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.04 BOARD POLICY

Elect Terrence C. Kearney

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. He sits on an Audit Committee that approved payment to the auditors of an excessive amount (over 25%) of fees not related to auditing. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.05 **BOARD** POLICY

Elect Reshma Kewalramani

Proposer: Board

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. She is currently the chief executive officer of the firm. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.06 BOARD POLICY

Elect Jeffrey M. Leiden

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is a former executive of the company. This nominee, who is not independent, is also Chairman, which goes against policy. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.07 **BOARD** POLICY

Elect Diana L. McKenzie

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded
 BOARD POLICY

ITEM 01.08

Elect Bruce I. Sachs

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee and the Nomination Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. This non independent nominee is lead director and the position is not temporary. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.09

Elect Suketu Upadhyay

Proposer: Board

BOARD POLICY

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The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He sits on an Audit Committee that approved payment to the auditors of an excessive amount (over 25%) of fees not related to auditing. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 02 BOARD POLICY

Ratification of Auditor	✓	×	
Proposer: Board	·		
More than 25% of the fees paid to the firm were for services other than financial auditing. A vote against t	the proposal was recorded.		
		orded	
ITEM 03	BOARD	POLICY	
Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	~	×	
Proposer: Board			
A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. The po compensation plans for directors. Severance pay exceeds 2 times the executive's salary. A vote against the			
		Vote recorded	
ITEM 04	BOARD	POLICY	
Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1	
Proposer: Board			
The proposal aims to set, in a non-restrictive manner, the frequency that shareholder will have the opport relevant to allow shareholders a yearly opportunity to voice their concerns. A yearly frequency is in the sh		ogram. It is	
		orded	

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#### **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Halliburton Company (HAL)	2023-05-17,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
United States	2023-03-20
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE	SECURITIES
Annual	406216101

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-00001002.2	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	39100

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Abdulaziz F. Alkhayyal	<b>~</b>	×
01.02	Elect William E. Albrecht	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.03	Elect M. Katherine Banks	~	<b>~</b>
01.04	Elect Alan M. Bennett	~	×
01.05	Elect Milton Carroll	<b>~</b>	×
01.06	Elect Earl M. Cummings	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.07	Elect Murry S. Gerber	<b>~</b>	×
01.08	Elect Robert A. Malone	<b>~</b>	×
01.09	Elect Jeffrey A. Miller	<b>~</b>	×
01.10	Elect Bhavesh V. Patel	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.11	Elect Maurice Smith	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.12	Elect Janet L. Weiss	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.13	Elect Tobi M. Edwards Young	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
02	Ratification of Auditor	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
03	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×
04	Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1
05	Amendment to Article Regarding Officer Exculpation	<b>~</b>	×



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### **PROXY ANALYSIS**

ITEM 01.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Abdulaziz F. Alkhayyal	<b>/</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusi independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is a member of the nominating committee and sits on with less than 30% women. Because of his position, we consider him to be responsible for this lack of diversity within the board. A vote against recorded.	a board of d	lirectors
	• Vote reco	orded
ITEM 01.02	BOARD	POLICY
Elect William E. Albrecht	<b>/</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	- Vote reco	orded
ITEM 01.03	BOARD	POLICY
Elect M. Katherine Banks	<b>/</b>	<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusive independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vecandidate was recorded.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 01.04	BOARD POLICY
Elect Alan M. Bennett	✓ X
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusive independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Audit Committee and the Nomination Com on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 01.05	BOARD POLICY
Elect Milton Carroll	✓ X
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusive independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee and the Nomina has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 01.06	BOARD POLICY
Elect Earl M. Cummings	<b>~</b>   <b>~</b>
Proposer: Board	

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusi independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A very candidate was recorded.		
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 01.07	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Murry S. Gerber	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusi independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Audit Committee and the Nomination Com on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.		
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 01.08	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Robert A. Malone	~	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusi independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee and the Nomina has been on the board for over 10 years. He is the Chair of Peabody Energy and sits on a total of more than two boards. The number of boards high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. A vote against the candidate was recorded.	tion Commi	ittee. He
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 01.09	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Jeffrey A. Miller	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently the chief executive officer of the firm. This nominee is both CEO and Chairman, which goes against the policy. A vote against the candidate was recorded.			
	• Vote rec	orded	
ITEM 01.10	BOARD	POLICY	
Elect Bhavesh V. Patel	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>	
Proposer: Board			
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusi independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A v candidate was recorded.	•	•	
	• Vote rec	orded	
ITEM 01.11	BOARD	POLICY	
Elect Maurice Smith	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>	
Proposer: Board			
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusi independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A v candidate was recorded.			
	- Vote rec	orded	
ITEM 01.12	BOARD	POLICY	
Elect Janet L. Weiss	<b>/</b>	~	
Proposer: Board			

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.13 Elect Tobi M. Edwards Young Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 02 **BOARD** POLICY Ratification of Auditor Proposer: Board More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirmed. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded. Vote recorded **ITEM 03 BOARD** POLICY Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation Proposer: Board

A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. In the event of a change of control, the directors' employment contrat includes accelerated vesting of awards which goes against the policy. The CEO was paid more than 200 times the average pay of Americans workers. Large

pay disparities contribute to increasingly unequal societies, which are less sustainable, less inclusive, and less productive. This is not good for the company or its stakeholders in the long term. The long-term incentive plan allows awards to be paid for below average performance. A vote against the proposal was recorded. Vote recorded **ITEM 04 BOARD** POLICY Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation Proposer: Board The proposal aims to set, in a non-restrictive manner, the frequency that shareholder will have the opportunity to approve an executive compensation program. It is relevant to allow shareholders a yearly opportunity to voice their concerns. A yearly frequency is in the shareholders' interest and has been selected. Vote recorded ITEM 05 **BOARD** POLICY Amendment to Article Regarding Officer Exculpation Proposer: Board Delaware recently amended its corporate law to allow them to exempt certain executives from liability for certain breaches of fiduciary duty. Specifically, the law eliminates liability for monetary damages for an executive's breach of duty of care if they have been put on notice by shareholders. The proposal is to put in place this amendment which limits the ability of shareholders to seek redress for a breach of fiduciary duty by an officer. A vote against the proposal was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 06 Amendments to the Certificate of Incorporation Proposer: Board

The proposal aims to make changes to the corporate articles in order to reflect the applicable legislation. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

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#### **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Reliance Steel & Aluminum Co. (NYSE: RS)	2023-05-17,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
United States	2023-03-28
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 759509102

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-00001002.2	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	10000

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Lisa L. Baldwin	<b>~</b>	×
01.02	Elect Karen W. Colonias	<b>~</b>	~
01.03	Elect Frank J. Dellaquila	<b>~</b>	×
01.04	Elect James D. Hoffman	<b>~</b>	×
01.05	Elect Mark V. Kaminski	<b>~</b>	×
01.06	Elect Karla R. Lewis	<b>~</b>	×
01.07	Elect Robert A. McEvoy	<b>~</b>	×
01.08	Elect David W. Seeger	<b>~</b>	×
01.09	Elect Douglas W. Stotlar	<b>~</b>	×
02	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×
03	Ratification of Auditor	<b>~</b>	~
04	Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1
05	Shareholder Proposal Regarding Independent Chair	×	<b>~</b>

#### **PROXY ANALYSIS**

ITEM 01.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Lisa L. Baldwin	/	×

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.02 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Karen W. Colonias Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.03 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Frank J. Dellaquila Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on this committee. He has other significant types of economic relationships with one of the company's clients, suppliers or consultants. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.04 **BOARD** POLICY Elect James D. Hoffman

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Con exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is a former executive of against the candidate was recorded.		
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.05	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Mark V. Kaminski	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Comexclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on this committee. He has over 10 years. This nominee, who is not independent, is also Chairman, which goes against policy. A vote against the candidate was recorded.		
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.06	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Karla R. Lewis	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Comexclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. She is currently the chief entire. A vote against the candidate was recorded.		
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.07	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Robert A. McEvoy	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Proposer: Board

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Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 02 BOARD POLICY

The proposal requests that the roles of Chairman and CEO be made separate. The CEO also acts as Chairman. The Chairman's role of supervising management and
nis or her independence from management are compromised when the Chairman is also the company's CEO. This type of proposal generally receives significant
approval rates. Furthermore, this separation is an excellent governance practice. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

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#### **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER Parex Resources Inc. (PXT)	MEETING DATE 2023-05-11,
COUNTRY Canada	RECORD DATE 2023-03-27
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual and extraordinary	SECURITIES 69946Q104

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-00001002.1	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI CAD	64500

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01	Board Size	<b>~</b>	~
02.01	Elect Lynn Azar	<b>✓</b>	Ш
02.02	Elect Lisa Colnett	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
02.03	Elect Sigmund L. Cornelius	<b>~</b>	ш
02.04	Elect Robert Engbloom	<b>~</b>	Ш
02.05	Elect Wayne K. Foo	<b>~</b>	Ш
02.06	Elect G.R. (Bob) MacDougall	<b>~</b>	Ш
02.07	Elect Glenn A. McNamara	<b>~</b>	~
02.08	Elect Imad Mohsen	<b>~</b>	~
02.09	Elect Carmen Sylvain	<b>~</b>	Ш
03	Appointment of Auditor and Authority to Set Fees	<b>~</b>	Ш
04	Approval of Unallocated Options Under the Stock Option Plan	<b>~</b>	×
05	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×

# PROXY ANALYSIS

ITEM 01	BOARD	POLICY
Board Size	<b>/</b>	~

Proposer: Board

The proposed size, which is within the range of 5 to 17 board members stipulated in the policy, will allow the board to be effective. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 02.01 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Lynn Azar Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. She sits on an Audit Committee that approved auditor fees where more than 25% of the fees were for non-auditing-related services. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 02.02 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Lisa Colnett Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 02.03 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Sigmund L. Cornelius Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He sits on an Audit Committee that approved payment to the

	OARD	POLICY
	OARD	POLICY
Elect Robert Engbloom	<b>~</b>	
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on this committee. He has been on the boar years. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the compar shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the me nominating committee for this reason. This non independent nominee is lead director and the position is not temporary. In the absence of the option abstention for the candidate was recorded.	rd for ov ny or its embers c	er 10 of the
Vo	ote reco	rded
ITEM 02.05	DARD	POLICY
Elect Wayne K. Foo	<b>~</b>	Ш
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the policy. He has been on the board for over 10 years. This not independent, is also Chairman, which goes against policy. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.	his nomi	
Vo	ote reco	rded
ITEM 02.06	DARD	POLICY
Elect G.R. (Bob) MacDougall	<b>~</b>	Ш
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Commade up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He sits on an Audit Committee that approved auditors of an excessive amount (over 25%) of fees not related to auditing. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate	d payment to th	he
	<ul> <li>Vote record</li> </ul>	ded
ITEM 02.07	BOARD F	POLICY
Elect Glenn A. McNamara	<b>/</b>	<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Comm made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's favour of the candidate was recorded.		•
	<ul> <li>Vote record</li> </ul>	ded
ITEM 02.08	BOARD F	POLICY
Elect Imad Mohsen	<b>/</b>	<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Comm made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently the chief executive off is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		•
	- Vote record	ded
ITEM 02.09	BOARD F	POLICY
Elect Carmen Sylvain	<b>/</b>	П
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 03	BOARD	POLICY
Appointment of Auditor and Authority to Set Fees	<b>~</b>	Ш
Proposer: Board		•
More than 25% of the fees paid to the firm were for services other than financial auditing. In the absence of the option against, an abstention w	as recorde	d.
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 04	BOARD	POLICY
Approval of Unallocated Options Under the Stock Option Plan	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
A complete analysis of the executives' share-option plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. The option plan is intended for different control of the share-dilution rate linked to the stock option plan is over 5%. A vote against the proposal was recorded.	rectors, am	ong others
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 05	BOARD	POLICY
Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		

A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. Compensation includes a share-option plan that does not meet all of the policy criteria. The policy is opposed to the use of share-option-based compensation plans for directors. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

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ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Steel Dynamics Inc. (NASDAQ:STLD)	2023-05-11,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
United States	2023-03-20
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE	SECURITIES
Annual	858119100

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-00001002.2	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	9100

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Mark D. Millett	<b>/</b>	Ш
01.02	Elect Sheree L. Bargabos	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.03	Elect Kenneth W. Cornew	~	Ш
01.04	Elect Traci M. Dolan	~	Ш
01.05	Elect James C. Marcuccilli	~	Ш
01.06	Elect Bradley S. Seaman	~	Ш
01.07	Elect Gabriel L. Shaheen	~	Ш
01.08	Elect Luis M. Sierra	~	<b>~</b>
01.09	Elect Steven A. Sonnenberg	~	Ш
01.10	Elect Richard P. Teets, Jr.	~	Ш
02	Ratification of Auditor	~	<b>~</b>
03	Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1
04	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	~	×
05	Approval of the 2023 Equity Incentive Plan	~	×
06	Adoption of Majority Vote for Election of Directors	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>

ITEM 01.01 BOARD POLICY

Elect	Mark	D. Millett
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**✓** 

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. This nominee is both CEO and Chairman, which goes against the policy. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.02

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Elect Sheree L. Bargabos

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Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.03

BOARD POLICY

Elect Kenneth W. Cornew

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is a member of the nominating committee and sits on a board of directors with less than 30% women. Because of his position, we consider him to be responsible for this lack of diversity within the board. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

Elect Traci M. Dolan

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Audit Committee and the Nomination Committee. She has been on the board for over 10 years. She is a member of the nominating committee and sits on a board of directors with less than 30% women. Because of her position, we consider her to be responsible for this lack of diversity within the board. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.05

BOARD POLICY

Elect James C. Marcuccilli

Proposer: Board

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee and the Nomination Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. He is a member of the nominating committee and sits on a board of directors with less than 30% women. Because of his position, we consider him to be responsible for this lack of diversity within the board. This non independent nominee is lead director and the position is not temporary. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.06

BOARD POLICY

Elect Bradley S. Seaman

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Audit Committee and the Nomination Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. He is a member of the nominating committee and sits on a board of directors with less than 30% women. Because of his position, we consider him to be responsible for this lack of diversity within the board. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

BOARD POLICY

Elect Gabriel L. Shaheen

Proposer : Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

BOARD POLICY

Elect Luis M. Sierra

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.09

BOARD POLICY

Elect Steven A. Sonnenberg

#### Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is a member of the nominating committee and sits on a board of directors with less than 30% women. Because of his position, we consider him to be responsible for this lack of diversity within the board. He is the Chairman of Tennant Company and sits on a total of more than two boards. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded ITEM 01.10 BOARD POLICY Elect Richard P. Teets, Jr. Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is a former executive of the company. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 02 BOARD POLICY Ratification of Auditor Proposer: Board More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirmed. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 03 **BOARD** POLICY Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation

#### Proposer: Board

Proposer: Board

The proposal aims to set, in a non-restrictive manner, the frequency that shareholder will have the opportunity to approve an executive compensation program. It is relevant to allow shareholders a yearly opportunity to voice their concerns. A yearly frequency is in the shareholders' interest and has been selected. Vote recorded **ITEM 04 BOARD POLICY** Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation Proposer: Board A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. Stock appreciation rights are included in the plan. This type of grant is akin to phantom stock. Management's interests are not aligned with those of shareholders because the risk of holding shares is not real. A vote against the proposal was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 05 **BOARD POLICY** Approval of the 2023 Equity Incentive Plan Proposer: Board The proposed share-based compensation plan does not meet all of the policy criteria. Stock appreciation rights are akin to phantom stock. This type of grant does not align Management's interests those of shareholders because the risk of holding shares is not real. A vote against the proposal was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 06 **BOARD** Adoption of Majority Vote for Election of Directors

One can only record a vote in favour of the election of directors and auditors, or an abstention to vote. Therefore a candidate only needs one vote in his or her favour
to be elected. It is in the shareholders' interest to implement a mechanism that will allow them to express their opposition to a nominee and that will be taken into
consideration. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

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ISSUER	MEETING DATE
LPL Financial Holdings Inc. (NASDAQ: LPLA)	2023-05-11,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
United States	2023-03-13
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE	SECURITIES
Annual	P48814010

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.2	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	7700

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Dan H. Arnold	~	×
01.02	Elect Edward C. Bernard	~	<b>~</b>
01.03	Elect H. Paulett Eberhart	~	~
01.04	Elect William F. Glavin, Jr.	~	×
01.05	Elect Albert J. Ko	~	<b>~</b>
01.06	Elect Allison Mnookin	~	×
01.07	Elect Anne Mulcahy	~	×
01.08	Elect James S. Putnam	~	×
01.09	Elect Richard P. Schifter	~	×
01.10	Elect Corey Thomas	~	×
02	Ratification of Auditor	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
03	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	~	×
04	Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1

### **PROXY ANALYSIS**

ITEM 01.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Dan H. Arnold	<b>~</b>	×

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusionable independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently the chief executive officer of the ficandidate was recorded.		
	<ul> <li>Vote reco</li> </ul>	orded
ITEM 01.02	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Edward C. Bernard	<b>/</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusive independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A verified was recorded.		
	<ul> <li>Vote reco</li> </ul>	orded
ITEM 01.03	BOARD	POLICY
Elect H. Paulett Eberhart	<b>/</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusionable independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A verified was recorded.		
	<ul> <li>Vote reco</li> </ul>	orded
ITEM 01.04	BOARD	POLICY
Elect William F. Glavin, Jr.	<b>/</b>	×
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded ITEM 01.05 **BOARD POLICY** Flect Albert J. Ko. Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.06 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Allison Mnookin **Proposer:** Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.07 **BOARD** POLICY **Elect Anne Mulcahy** Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee and the Nomination Committee. She has been on the board for over 10 years. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

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ITEM 01.08	BOARD POLICY
Elect James S. Putnam	_ ×
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee. He has years. This nominee, who is not independent, is also Chairman, which goes against policy. A vote against the candidate was recorded.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 01.09	BOARD POLICY
Elect Richard P. Schifter	✓ X
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Audit Committee. He has been on vote against the candidate was recorded.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 01.10	BOARD POLICY
Elect Corey Thomas	✓ X
Proposer: Board	•

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

	Vote recorded
TEM 02	BOARD POLICY
Ratification of Auditor	<b>/ /</b>
Proposer: Board	
More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and con the proposal was recorded.	firmed. A vote in favour of
	Vote recorded
TEM 03	BOARD POLICY
Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	✓ ×
Proposer: Board	
A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. It is desirable that a link be established land the company's social performance. Compensation includes a share-based compensation plan that does not meet all of the policy criter dilution rate is over 10%. The company does not disclose any payout limit under the short-term incentive plan. For several officers, the amount of the base salaries and over 25% of the total compensation, which is not consistent with the policy. A vote against the	ia. The overall share- ounts awarded under this
	Vote recorded
TEM 04	BOARD POLICY
Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1 1
Proposer: Board	

The proposal aims to set, in a non-restrictive manner, the frequency that shareholder will have the opportunity to approve an executive compensation program.	t is
relevant to allow shareholders a yearly opportunity to voice their concerns. A yearly frequency is in the shareholders' interest and has been selected.	

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ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Cheniere Energy Inc. (LNG)	2023-05-11,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
United States	2023-03-27
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 16411R208

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-00001002.2	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	9300

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect G. Andrea Botta	~	×
01.02	Elect Jack A. Fusco	~	<b>~</b>
01.03	Elect Patricia K. Collawn	~	×
01.04	Elect Brian E. Edwards	~	<b>~</b>
01.05	Elect Denise Gray	~	<b>~</b>
01.06	Elect Lorraine Mitchelmore	~	×
01.07	Elect Donald F. Robillard, Jr.	~	×
01.08	Elect Matthew Runkle	~	<b>~</b>
01.09	Elect Neal A. Shear	~	×
02	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	~	×
03	Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1
04	Ratification of Auditor	~	~
05	Shareholder Proposal Regarding Risk Report on LNG Capital Investments Aligned with Paris Accord	×	<b>~</b>

### **PROXY ANALYSIS**

ITEM 01.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect G. Andrea Botta	<b>/</b>	×

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on this committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. This nominee, who is not independent, is also Chairman, which goes against policy. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.02 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Jack A. Fusco Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently the chief executive officer of the firm. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.03 **BOARD** POLICY Flect Patricia K. Collawn Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. She is CEO of PNM Resources, Inc. and sits on the Compensation Committee, which goes against the policy. She is the CEO of this company and sits on more than one board. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.04 BOARD POLICY Elect Brian E. Edwards Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Comminate up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's efavour of the candidate was recorded.		
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.05	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Denise Gray	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Commitmed up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this first-time note in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.06	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Lorraine Mitchelmore	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Commitmade up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. The potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against recorded.	is situation or the board	creates É
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.07	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Donald F. Robillard, Jr.	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

	<ul> <li>Vote rec</li> </ul>	orded
ITEM 01.08	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Matthew Runkle	<b>~</b>	~
Proposer: Board	•	•
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Comm made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He has other significant types of econ with a principal shareholder. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		onships
ITEM 01.09	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Neal A. Shear	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		•
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Comm		

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TIEM 02

Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation

Vote recorded

BOARD POLICY

X

#### Proposer: Board

grant is akin to phantom stock. Management's interests are not aligned with those of shareholders be exceeds 2 times the executive's salary. A vote against the proposal was recorded.	cause the risk of holding shares is not real. Severand  Vote red	
ITEM 03	BOARD	POLICY
Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1
Proposer: Board	1	ı
The proposal aims to set, in a non-restrictive manner, the frequency that shareholder will have the operelevant to allow shareholders a yearly opportunity to voice their concerns. A yearly frequency is in the		ogram. It is
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 04	BOARD	POLICY
Ratification of Auditor	<b>✓</b>	~
Proposer: Board		-
More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the proposal was recorded.	he auditing firm was verified and confirmed. A vote i	n favour of
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 05	BOARD	POLICY
Shareholder Proposal Regarding Risk Report on LNG Capital Investments Aligned with Paris Accord	×	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Stewart Taggart	•	-

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### **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Phillips 66 (PSX)	2023-05-10,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
United States	2023-03-15
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE	SECURITIES
Annual	718546104

POLICY: Share - Genus
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ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.2	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	10700

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Gregory J. Hayes	~	×
01.02	Elect Charles M. Holley, Jr.	<b>~</b>	~
01.03	Elect Denise R. Singleton	<b>~</b>	~
01.04	Elect Glenn F. Tilton	<b>~</b>	×
01.05	Elect Marna C. Whittington	<b>~</b>	×
02	Repeal of Classified Board	<b>~</b>	~
03	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×
04	Ratification of Auditor	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
05	Shareholder proposal requesting that the company publish an audited report on the impact of a reduction in demand for virgin plastic on its financial position.	×	<b>~</b>

#### **PROXY ANALYSIS**

ITEM 01.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Gregory J. Hayes	~	×

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is the CEO of Raytheon Technologies Corporation and sits on more than two boards. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.02 BOARD POLICY

Elect Charles M. Holley, Jr.	<b>✓</b>	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board	•	•
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-th independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy candidate was recorded.		-
		ecorded
ITEM 01.03	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Denise R. Singleton	<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-th independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy candidate was recorded.		-
		ecorded
ITEM 01.04	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Glenn F. Tilton	<b>✓</b>	×
Proposer: Board		•
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-th independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the polar been on the board for over 10 years. This non independent nominee is lead direct recorded.	licy, sits on the Compensation Committee and the Nomination Comi	mittee. He
	- Vote re	ecorded
ITEM 01.05	BOARD	POLICY

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More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirmed. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 05 BOARD POLICY

Shareholder proposal requesting that the company publish an audited report on the impact of a reduction in demand for virgin plastic on its financial position.

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**Proposer:** As You Sow

The catastrophic impact of plastic on the environment is no longer in question. In 2022, the United Nations stated that "the impacts of plastic production and pollution on the triple global crisis of climate change, biodiversity loss, and pollution threaten the world." Of particular concern are single-use plastics, which make up the largest share of the 11 million tons of plastic waste dumped into the oceans each year. In response to the plastic pollution crisis, countries and major companies are beginning to reduce the use of virgin plastic, as several studies show that a significant decrease in the demand for virgin plastic is crucial to decreasing the flow of plastic into the oceans. The Breaking the Plastic Wave report, published by the Pew Charitable Trusts in 2020, presents one of the most robust pathways to significantly reduce plastic pollution by 2040, with a significant absolute decrease in single-use plastic products in its System Change Scenario (SCS) that could reduce plastic leakage into the ocean by 80 percent. In this context, As You Sow is asking the company for a report on the impact of a significant drop in demand for virgin plastic on its financial situation. The board opposes the proposal, saying Phillips 66 has already conducted a scenario analysis that is presented in its sustainability and climate risk report, which also contains its commitments to increase circular polymer production and work with the Alliance to End Plastic Waste. Phillips 66 could however go further. For example, BP has recognized the potential disruption associated with a reduction in single-use plastic products, with a global ban on them by 2040 reducing oil demand growth by 60%. Philips 66 does not sufficiently consider these risks: several implications of the SCS, including an absolute one-third reduction in demand (primarily for virgin plastics) and an immediate reduction in new investment in virgin plastic production, run counter to planned investments by CPChem (a joint venture of Phillips 66 and Chevron), which is considered the world's 15th largest producer of single-use polymers, with 1.8 million metric tons produced in 2019. As a partial owner of CPChem, Phillips 66 faces increasing risk from CPChem's continued investment in virgin plastics production infrastructure. In addition, at the United Nations Environment Assembly in 2022, States approved a resolution to end plastic pollution and develop a legally binding international agreement by 2024. The regulations that will result from the future international agreement also represent risks for Phillips 66. In order to avoid financial and reputational risks linked to a lack of preparation for a decrease in the demand for single-use plastics to which the company is exposed, shareholders should support this proposal. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

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ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Equinor ASA (NYSE:EQNR)	2023-05-10,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
Norway	2023-05-09
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE	SECURITIES
Annual	R2R90P103

<b>POLICY: Share - Genus</b>	POLIC	Y: Share -	Genus
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ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-00001002.12	Genus Encasa - N1-000001002.12	28100

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
03	Elect chair of meeting	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
04	Approve agenda	<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>
05	Minutes	<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>
06	Approve annual report and accounts	<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>
07	Approve dividend	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
08	Shareholder proposal to ban the use of fiberglass rotor blades in all new wind farms, commits to buy into existing hydropower projects and conduct research on other energy sources such as thorium	×	×
09	Shareholder proposal to identify and manage risks and possibilities regarding climate, and integrate these in the company's strategy	×	<b>✓</b>
10	Shareholder proposal requesting the company to stop all exploration and drilling by 2025 and to provide financial and technical assistance for the repair and development of Ukraine's energy infrastructure.	×	×
11	Shareholder proposal to develop a procedure for greatly improved process for responding to shareholder proposals	×	<b>✓</b>
12	Shareholder proposal to end all plans for activity in the Barents Sea, adjust up the investments in renewables/low carbon solutions to 50 percent by 2025, implement CCS for Melkøya and invest in rebuilding of Ukraine	×	×
13	Shareholder proposal asking that that Equinor stops all exploration and test drilling for oil and gas, becomes a leading producer of renewable energy, stops plans for electrification of Melkøya and presents a plan enabling Norway to become net-zero by 2050	×	<b>~</b>
14	Shareholder proposal asking that Equinor's management let the results of global warming characterise its further strategy, stops all exploration for more oil and gas, phase out all production and sale of	×	~
15	Directors' report on corporate gouvernance	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
16.01	Remuneration policy	<b>✓</b>	×
16.02	Remuneration report	<b>✓</b>	×
17	Auditors' fee	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
18	Remuneration of corporate assembly members	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>

19	Remuneration of nomination committee members	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
20	Share buyback to continue operation of the company's share-based incentive plans for employees	<b>~</b>	~
21	Reduction in capital through the cancellation of own shares and the redemption of shares belonging to the Norwegian State	<b>~</b>	~
22	Share buyback for subsequent annulment	~	~
	PROXY ANALYSIS		
ITEM 03		BOARD	POLICY
Elect ch	nair of meeting	<b>~</b>	~
Propos	er:Board	•	•
This is a	a formality. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.		
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ITEM 04		Vote rec	orded POLICY
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This is a formality. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.		
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 06	BOARD	POLICY
Approve annual report and accounts	<b>~</b>	~
Proposer: Board		
We observe that more than 75% of the fees paid to the auditing firm that prepared the financial statements were for auditing services. Those r distributed to all shareholders before the meeting, and the auditing firm that examined them is independent. A vote in favour of the proposal v		
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 07	BOARD	POLICY
Approve dividend	<b>~</b>	~
Proposer: Board		
It is the responsibility of the Board to make recommendations on the distribution of profits. Further, the distribution of a common dividend is i shareholders. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.	n the intere	st of
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 08	BOARD	POLICY
Shareholder proposal to ban the use of fiberglass rotor blades in all new wind farms, commits to buy into existing hydropower projects and conduct research on other energy sources such as thorium	×	×
Proposer: Roald Skjoldheim		

While the proponent's concerns about the life-cycle impact of wind turbine blades are well founded, his proposal is too prescriptive and he does not rely on reliable sources to support his argument. In addition, his solution with thorium does not currently enjoy consensus because of the high cost of extraction and the limited progress in research and development on the subject. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

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ITEM 09 BOARD POL

Shareholder proposal to identify and manage risks and possibilities regarding climate, and integrate these in the company's strategy

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#### **Proposer:** WWF and Greenpeace

The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) recently warned of the dire consequences of continued greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions on global ecosystems and human society, again emphasizing the urgency of taking immediate action to reduce emissions across all economic sectors in order to limit global warming to 1.5°C and avoid the worst impacts of climate change. In this context, the proponents call on Equinor to identify and manage climate change risks and opportunities, integrate them into the company's strategy, set targets, and implement measures to reduce GHG emissions in the short and long term in line with the objective of limiting global warming to 1.5°C, consider the entire supply chain (scope 1, 2 and 3), and ensure regular reporting to shareholders on progress made. They believe that its energy transition plan does not contain concrete steps to achieve carbon neutrality by 2050 or estimates of projected oil and gas production in 2030 or 2050. They say the company's focus on reducing carbon intensity allows it to continue to develop new oil and gas projects, which runs counter to the goal of limiting global warming to 1.5°C. The board opposes the proposal, saying the company already has a comprehensive energy transition plan, with short-, medium- and long-term ambitions in place, and is making progress in reducing emissions and investing in renewable energy. Yet, the company continues to invest in several fossil fuel projects that are contested by many environmental organizations, such as Bay du Nord in Canada, Rosebank in the United Kingdom, exploration activities along the Argentine coast or even the Bacalhau field in Brazil. Moreover, its emissions reduction targets lack credibility, as they are not endorsed by the Science Based Targets (SBTi) initiative, which has established specific targets to ensure that corporate goals align with climate science, and they are inconsistent with the goals of the Paris Agreement. Without transparency on its GHG emissions and energy transition strategy, Equi

ITEM 10

BOARD POLICY

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Shareholder proposal requesting the company to stop all exploration and drilling by 2025 and to provide financial and technical assistance for the repair and development of Ukraine's energy infrastructure.

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Vote recorded

### **Proposer:** Guttorm Grundt

We agree with the proponent on the need to stop exploration and drilling for new fossil fuel projects, as recommended by the International Energy Agency. However, we believe that the decision to participate in the reconstruction of infrastructure in Ukraine is part of management's prerogative. This kind of decision requires the approval of international bodies anyway. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 11 BOARD POLICY

Shareholder proposal to develop a procedure for greatly improved process for responding to shareholder proposals

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Proposer: Even Bakke

The proposal would improve the company's governance practices and give shareholders a greater voice. The proponent accuses the company of having rejected numerous shareholder proposals in recent years, only to implement those same requests some time later, sometimes to the company's detriment. In particular, he cites the 2009 request to divest from the oil sands business in Canada, which was denied by the board before the company sold its Canadian operations in 2016 at a loss of NOK 4.2 billion. The Norwegian government is the majority shareholder, as it holds 67% of the company's capital. It therefore has the power to block certain proposals. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 12 BOARD POLICY

Shareholder proposal to end all plans for activity in the Barents Sea, adjust up the investments in renewables/low carbon solutions to 50 percent by 2025, implement CCS for Melkøya and invest in rebuilding of Ukraine

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**Proposer**: Gro Nylander

A similar proposal was submitted in 2022. However, this year the proponent is adding an element regarding the reconstruction of Ukraine. As noted in Proposal 10, this type of decision is a management decision and requires the endorsement of national authorities. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 13 BOARD POLICY

Shareholder proposal asking that that Equinor stops all exploration and test drilling for oil and gas, becomes a leading producer of renewable energy, stops plans for electrification of Melkøya and presents a plan enabling Norway to become net-zero by 2050

X



**Proposer:** Bente Marie Bakke

While combining several different elements, the proposal is broadly in the interest of shareholders, as it would position the company as a leader in addressing climate change, while relying on scientific studies and an independently validated transition plan. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 14 BOARD POLICY

Shareholder proposal asking that Equinor's management let the results of global warming characterise its further strategy, stops all exploration for more oil and gas, phase out all production and sale of





Proposer: Gro Nylander

According to a report by the International Energy Agency, global carbon dioxide emissions increased by 1.5 billion tons in 2021, surpassing pre-COVID-19 levels. It is therefore crucial that governments and businesses take urgent action to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions to limit the effects of climate change on the most vulnerable ecosystems and human communities, starting with the most polluting sectors. In this context, Gro Nylander, a physician and investor, calls on Equinor to cease all oil and gas exploration, phase out all production and sales of these fossil fuels, and increase investments in renewable energy and carbon capture and storage. This radical proposal is justified by the negative impacts of fossil fuels, and increase investments in renewable energy and carbon capture and storage. This radical proposal is justified by the negative impacts of fossil fuels, and increase investments in renewable energy and carbon capture and storage. This radical proposal is justified by the negative impacts of fossil fuels, and increase investments in renewable energy and carbon capture and storage. This radical proposal is justified by the negative impacts of fossil fuels, and increase investments in renewable energy and carbon capture and storage. This radical proposal is justified by the negative impacts of fossil fuels, and increase investments in renewable energy and carbon capture and storage energy increase investments in renewable energy and carbon capture and storage energy increase investments in renewable energy and carbon capture and storage energy increase in renewable energy and carbon capture and storage energy increase investments in renewable energy and carbon capture and storage energy increase in renewable energy and carbon capture and storage energy increase in renewable energy and carbon capture energy market in a major emitter of GHGs, Norway has a special moral energy energial energy energi

	Vote recorded
ITEM 15	BOARD POLICY
Directors' report on corporate gouvernance	<b>/ /</b>
Proposer: Board	
This is a formality. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 16.01	BOARD POLICY
Remuneration policy	✓ X

Proposer: Board

A complete analysis of the compensation policy shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. In the event of a change of control, the dire an accelerated vesting of awards which goes against the policy. Broad discretionary power is granted to directors regarding the implementatio vote against the proposal was recorded.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 16.02	BOARD POLICY
Remuneration report	✓ X
Proposer: Board	
A complete analysis of the compensation report shows that it meets all of the policy criteria. In the event of a change of control, the directors of accelerated vesting of awards which goes against the policy. Broad discretionary power is granted to directors regarding the implementation of vote against the proposal was recorded.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 17	BOARD POLICY
Auditors' fee	<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board	
It is the Board's responsibility to establish the auditors' fees. More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. A very proposal was recorded.	ote in favour of the
	Vote recorded
ITEM 18	BOARD POLICY
Remuneration of corporate assembly members	<b>/</b>   <b>/</b>
Proposer: Board	

The assembly members' compensation meets the policy criteria. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.		
	<ul> <li>Vote rec</li> </ul>	corded
ITEM 19	BOARD	POLICY
Remuneration of nomination committee members	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board	1	
The committee members' compensation meets the policy criteria. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.		
	<ul> <li>Vote rec</li> </ul>	corded
ITEM 20	BOARD	POLICY
Share buyback to continue operation of the company's share-based incentive plans for employees	<b>~</b>	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board	'	
It is the Board of Directors' responsibility to make recommendations on the buyback of some of its shares or share categories based on an ana needs and strategic opportunities. Repurchased shares will not represent more than 10% of outstanding shares. The proposed savings plan me criteria. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.		
	<ul> <li>Vote rec</li> </ul>	orded
ITEM 21	BOARD	POLICY
Reduction in capital through the cancellation of own shares and the redemption of shares belonging to the Norwegian State	<b>~</b>	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board		-

It is the Board's responsibility to make recommendations on the cancellation of some shares or categories of shares, based on a needs analysis and strategic opportunities. The cancellation of repurchased shares results in a share-capital reduction. This is a way of restoring assets to shareholders when liquidities are greater than investment needs. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote	recorded

**ITEM 22** 

Share buyback for subsequent annulment

**✓** 

**BOARD** 

Proposer: Board

It is the Board of Directors' responsibility to make recommendations on the buyback of some of its shares or share categories based on an analysis of the company's needs and strategic opportunities. When a share buyback is associated with a cancellation of those shares, this results in a reduction of the share capital. This is a way of restoring assets to shareholders, when liquidities are greater than investment needs. Repurchased shares will not represent more than 10% of outstanding shares. This buyback has a well-structured timeline and the price is reasonably limited. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

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ISSUER	MEETING DATE	
Finning International Inc. (FTT)	2023-05-09,	
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE	
Canada	2023-03-16	
MEETING LOCATION		
MEETING TYPE	SECURITIES	
Annual	318071404	

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-00001002.1	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI CAD	89400

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Vicki L. Avril-Groves	~	<b>~</b>
01.02	Elect James E.C. Carter	~	×
01.03	Elect Jacynthe Côté	~	<b>~</b>
01.04	Elect Nicholas Hartery	~	<b>~</b>
01.05	Elect Mary Lou Kelley	~	<b>~</b>
01.06	Elect Andrés J. Kuhlmann	~	<b>~</b>
01.07	Elect Harold N. Kvisle	~	×
01.08	Elect Stuart L. Levenick	<b>~</b>	×
01.09	Elect Kevin Parkes	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.10	Elect Christopher W. Patterson	<b>~</b>	×
01.11	Elect Edward R. Seraphim	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.12	Elect Manjit K. Sharma	~	<b>~</b>
01.13	Elect Nancy G. Tower	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
02	Appointment of Auditor and Authority to Set Fees	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
03	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	~	<b>~</b>

ITEM 01.01 BOARD POLICY

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Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.02

BOARD POLICY

Elect James E.C. Carter



Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee and the Nomination Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.03

BOARD

POLICY

Elect Jacynthe Côté

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Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.04 BOARD POLICY

Elect Nicholas Hartery	<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board	· 	•
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of the members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no recorded.		
	- Vote re	ecorded
ITEM 01.05	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Mary Lou Kelley	<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board	·	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of the members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no recorded.		
		ecorded
ITEM 01.06	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Andrés J. Kuhlmann	<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board	·	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of the members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no recorded.		
	- Vote re	ecorded

POLICY

**BOARD** 

ITEM 01.07

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Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is the Chairman of this company and sits on a total of more than two boards. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.08

BOARD POLICY

Elect Stuart L. Levenick

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Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is the Chairman of W.W. Grainger inc. and sits on a total of more than two boards. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.09

BOARD

POLICY

Elect Kevin Parkes

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Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently the chief executive officer of the firm. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.10 BOARD POLICY



Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Audit Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.11

BOARD POLICY

Elect Edward R. Seraphim

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.12

BOARD POLICY

Elect Manjit K. Sharma

**Proposer:** Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.13 BOARD POLICY

Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. No key members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nomin recorded.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 02	BOARD POLICY
Appointment of Auditor and Authority to Set Fees	
Proposer: Board	
More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing the proposal was recorded.	g firm was verified and confirmed. A vote in favour
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ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Poste Italiane SpA (BIT: PST)	2023-05-08,
COUNTRY	DECORD DATE
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
Italy	2023-04-26
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE	SECURITIES
Annual	T7S697106
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# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.9	Genus Encasa - N1-000001002.9	101300

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01	Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022. Reports of the Board of Directors, the Board of Statutory Auditors, and the Audit Firm.	~	<b>~</b>
02	Allocation of net income for the year	<b>~</b>	~
03	Determination of the number of the members of the Board of Directors	<b>~</b>	~
04	Determination of the term of the Board of Directors	<b>~</b>	~
05.01	Election of the members of the Board of Directors, slate 1	0	~
05.02	Election of the members of the Board of Directors, slate 2	0	×
06	Election of the Chairman of the Board of Directors	<b>~</b>	~
07	Determination of the compensation of the members of the Board of Directors	<b>~</b>	~
08	Report on the 2023 remuneration policy	<b>~</b>	~
09	Report on amounts paid in the year 2022	<b>~</b>	~
10	Equity-based incentive plans	<b>~</b>	~
11	Authorization for the acquisition and the disposal of own shares, serving the equity-based incentive plans	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>

### **PROXY ANALYSIS**

ITEM 01	BOARD	POLICY
Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022. Reports of the Board of Directors, the Board of Statutory Auditors, and the Audit Firm.	<b>~</b>	~
Proposer: Board		

We observe that more than 75% of the fees paid to the auditing firm that prepared the financial statements were for auditing services. A vote proposal was recorded.	in favour of	the
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 02	BOARD	POLICY
Allocation of net income for the year	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board		
It is the responsibility of the Board to make recommendations on the distribution of profits. Further, the distribution of a common dividend is i shareholders. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.	n the intere	st of
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 03	BOARD	POLICY
Determination of the number of the members of the Board of Directors	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board		
The proposed size, which is within the range of 5 to 17 board members stipulated in the policy, will allow the board to be effective. A vote in far was recorded.	vour of the p	oroposal
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 04	BOARD	POLICY
Determination of the term of the Board of Directors	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board		

It is in the shareholders' interest to limit the maximum length of the directors' mandates because it promotes the renewal of the Board. Otherwise, the Board could be depriving itself of competent directors. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

ITEM 05.01	BOARD POLICY
Election of the members of the Board of Directors, slate 1	<b>○</b> ✓
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The nominees are not the policy. Some of the nominees are currently executives of the company. We chose to support this slate of candidates becaus than two-thirds independent candidates, more than 30% women directors, and the presence of the CEO who provides the link In addition, the list is composed of 6 members, which is within the range of 5 to 17 members provided for by the policy. A vote i recorded.	e the proposed team allows for more between the board and the company
ITEM 05.02	BOARD POLICY
Election of the members of the Board of Directors, slate 2	⊗   ×
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. All the nominees are opolicy. While this list of candidates meets all of the criteria of the policy, we have chosen to support list number 1 as it is consist vote against all of the candidates was recorded, since individual voting is not available.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 06	BOARD POLICY
Election of the Chairman of the Board of Directors	
Proposer: Board	

The chairman of the board shall be the first candidate from the list receiving the most votes. Both members are women and they are recognized as independent by the criteria of the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

	- Vote red	corded
ITEM 07	BOARD	POLICY
Determination of the compensation of the members of the Board of Directors	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board	·	
The directors' compensation meets the policy criteria. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.		
	Vote red	corded
ITEM 08	BOARD	POLICY
Report on the 2023 remuneration policy	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board	•	
A complete analysis of the compensation policy shows that it meets all of the policy criteria. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.		
	- Vote red	corded
ITEM 09	BOARD	POLICY
Report on amounts paid in the year 2022	<b>~</b>	/
Proposer: Board	•	•
A complete analysis of the compensation report shows that it meets all of the policy criteria. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.		
	Vote red	corded
ITEM 10	BOARD	POLICY
Equity-based incentive plans		

#### Proposer: Board

The proposed share-based compensation plan meets all of the policy criteria. The proposal is consistent with the policy. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

**ITEM 11** 

BOARD POLICY

Authorization for the acquisition and the disposal of own shares, serving the equity-based incentive plans

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Proposer: Board

It is the Board of Directors' responsibility to make recommendations on the buyback of some of its shares or share categories based on an analysis of the company's needs and strategic opportunities. Repurchased shares will not represent more than 10% of outstanding shares. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

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### **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER Lattice Semiconductor Corporation (NASDAQ: LSCC)	MEETING DATE 2023-05-05 ,
COUNTRY United States	RECORD DATE 2023-03-10
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 518415104

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ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-00001002.2	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	22500

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect James R. Anderson	<b>~</b>	×
01.02	Elect Robin A. Abrams	<b>~</b>	×
01.03	Elect Douglas Bettinger	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.04	Elect Mark E. Jensen	<b>~</b>	×
01.05	Elect James P. Lederer	<b>~</b>	~
01.06	Elect David Jeffrey Richardson	<b>~</b>	×
01.07	Elect Elizabeth M. Schwarting	<b>~</b>	~
01.08	Elect Raejeanne Skillern	~	~
02	Ratification of Auditor	~	~
03	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	~	×
04	Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1
05	Approval of the 2023 Equity Incentive Plan	<b>~</b>	×

## PROXY ANALYSIS

ITEM 01.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect James R. Anderson	<b>~</b>	×

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently the chief executive officer of the firm. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.02 BOARD POLICY Elect Robin A. Abrams Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Audit Committee and the Nomination Committee. She has been on the board for over 10 years. She is the Chairwoman of another company and sits on a total of more than two boards. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.03 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Douglas Bettinger Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.04 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Mark E. Jensen Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nominatic Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits of Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.		
	Vote recorded	
ITEM 01.05	BOARD	POLICY
Elect James P. Lederer	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.06	BOARD	POLICY
Elect David Jeffrey Richardson	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is the company and sits on a total of more than two boards. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to ade shareholder interest. A vote against the candidate was recorded.	e Chairman	of this
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.07	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Elizabeth M. Schwarting	<b>~</b>	~
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this first-time nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.08 Elect Raejeanne Skillern Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 02 **BOARD** POLICY Ratification of Auditor Proposer: Board More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirmed. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded. Vote recorded **ITEM 03 BOARD** POLICY Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation Proposer: Board

A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. The vesting schedule is not in line with the 3 years stipulated in the policy or is not linked to performance targets. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

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ITEM 04	BOARD POL	LICY
Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1 :	1
Proposer: Board		
The proposal aims to set, in a non-restrictive manner, the frequency that shareholder will have the opportenent to allow shareholders a yearly opportunity to voice their concerns. A yearly frequency is in the		ı. It is
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ITEM 05	BOARD POL	LICY
Approval of the 2023 Equity Incentive Plan	<b>/</b>   <b>&gt;</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
The proposed share-based compensation plan does not meet all of the policy criteria. This plan's share-recorded.	dilution rate is over 10%. A vote against the proposal wa	as
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ISSUER	MEETING DATE
ARC Resources Ltd (ARX)	2023-05-05,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
Canada	2023-03-21
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 00208D408

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ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-00001002.1	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI CAD	161000

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Harold N. Kvisle	<b>~</b>	П
01.02	Elect Farhad Ahrabi	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.03	Elect Carol T. Banducci	<b>~</b>	Ш
01.04	Elect David R. Collyer	<b>~</b>	Ш
01.05	Elect William J. McAdam	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.06	Elect Michael G. McAllister	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.07	Elect Marty L. Proctor	<b>~</b>	П
01.08	Elect M. Jacqueline Sheppard	<b>~</b>	П
01.09	Elect Leontine van Leeuwen-Atkins	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.10	Elect Terry M. Anderson	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
02	Appointment of Auditor and Authority to Set Fees	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
03	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×

# PROXY ANALYSIS

ITEM 01.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Harold N. Kvisle	~	П

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the policy. He has been on the board for over 10 years. He is the Chair of the Board and is not independent, which is contrary to the policy. He is the Chairman of this company and sits on a total of more than two boards. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded ITEM 01.02 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Farhad Ahrabi Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.03 **BOARD POLICY** Elect Carol T. Banducci Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.04 BOARD POLICY

Elect David R. Collyer

#### Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded ITEM 01.05 **BOARD** POLICY Elect William J. McAdam Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.06 BOARD POLICY Elect Michael G. McAllister Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.07 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Marty L. Proctor

#### Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is a former officer of Seven Generations Energy Ltd. which was acquired by ARC Resources in 2021. He is the Chairman of Tenaz Energy Corp. and sits on a total of more than two boards. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.08

BOARD POLICY

Elect M. Jacqueline Sheppard

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#### Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. He is the Chairman of Emera Inc. and sits on a total of more than two boards. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

ITEM 01.09

BOARD POLICY

Elect Leontine van Leeuwen-Atkins

#### Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.10	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Terry M. Anderson	<b>/</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusivel independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently the chief executive officer of the fit to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	- Vote rec	orded
ITEM 02	BOARD	POLICY
Appointment of Auditor and Authority to Set Fees	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirm the proposal was recorded.	ned. A vote i	n favour of
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 03	BOARD	POLICY
Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>/</b>	×
Proposer: Board	1	
A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. Short-term incentive compensation representated compensation for some executives, which goes against the policy. A vote against the proposal was recorded.	ents more th	nan 25% of
	- Vote rec	orded

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ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Archer-Daniels-Midland Company (ADM)	2023-05-04,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
United States	2023-03-09
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 39483102

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ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.2	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	15400

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Michael S. Burke	<b>/</b>	×
01.02	Elect Theodore Colbert	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.03	Elect James C. Collins Jr.	~	~
01.04	Elect Terrell K. Crews	<b>~</b>	×
01.05	Elect Ellen de Brabander	~	×
01.06	Elect Suzan F. Harrison	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.07	Elect Juan R. Luciano	<b>~</b>	×
01.08	Elect Patrick J. Moore	<b>~</b>	×
01.09	Elect Debra A. Sandler	<b>~</b>	×
01.10	Elect Lei Z. Schlitz	<b>~</b>	×
01.11	Elect Kelvin R. Westbrook	<b>~</b>	×
02	Ratification of Auditor	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
03	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×
04	Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1
05	Shareholder Proposal Regarding Independent Chair	×	<b>~</b>

ITEM 01.01 BOARD POLICY



Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The CEO is also chair of the board. This arrangement creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.02

BOARD POLICY

Elect Theodore Colbert

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Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.03
BOARD

Proposer: Board

Elect James C. Collins Jr.

BOARD POLICY

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.04 BOARD POLICY



Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Audit Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.05

BOARD POLICY

Elect Ellen de Brabander

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Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the policy. She has other significant types of economic relationships with one of the company's clients, suppliers or consultants. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.06

BOARD POLICY

Elect Suzan F. Harrison

**Proposer:** Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.07

BOARD

**POLICY** 

Elect.	Juan F	R. Luciano	



Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. This nominee is both CEO and Chairman, which goes against the policy. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.08

BOARD POLICY

Elect Patrick J. Moore

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Audit Committee and the Nomination Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. The CEO is also chair of the board. This arrangement creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.09

BOARD

Flect Debra A. Sandler

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POLICY

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The CEO is also chair of the board. This arrangement creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.10	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Lei Z. Schlitz	~	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusi independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee. She had other seconomic relationships with one of the company's clients, suppliers or consultants. A vote against the candidate was recorded.		
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.11	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Kelvin R. Westbrook	~	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusi independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee and the Nomina has been on the board for over 10 years. The CEO is also chair of the board. This arrangement creates potential conflicts of interest that are not of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.	ntion Comm ot in the bes	ittee. He st interests
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 02	BOARD	POLICY
Ratification of Auditor	~	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirm the proposal was recorded.	ıed. A vote i	n favour of
	• Vote rec	orded

ITEM 03	BOARD	POLICY
Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. Too little of the executives' incentive bonus as performance. This limits the effectiveness of the bonus as an incentive to do a good job, because executives will get some part of the bonus ever poorly. The CEO was paid more than 200 times the average pay of Americans. Large pay disparities contribute to increasingly unequal societies sustainable, less inclusive, and less productive. This is not good for the company or its stakeholders in the long term. A vote against the proposal	n if they pe s, which are	rform e less
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 04	BOARD	POLICY
Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1
Proposer: Board		
The proposal aims to set, in a non-restrictive manner, the frequency that shareholder will have the opportunity to approve an executive comperelevant to allow shareholders a yearly opportunity to voice their concerns. A yearly frequency is in the shareholders' interest and has been set		gram. It is
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 05	BOARD	POLICY
Shareholder Proposal Regarding Independent Chair	×	~
Proposer: Board		
The CEO also acts as Chairman. The Chairman's role of supervising management and his or her independence from management are comprom Chairman is also the company's CEO. This type of proposal generally receives significant approval rates. Furthermore, this separation is an exceptance. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.		
	Vote rec	orded

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## **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Cadence Design Systems Inc. (NASDAQ:CDNS)	2023-05-04,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
United States	2023-03-06
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 127387108

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.2	ACCOUNT NAME  Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	11000

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Mark W. Adams	<b>~</b>	×
01.02	Elect Ita M. Brennan	~	×
01.03	Elect Lewis Chew	~	<b>~</b>
01.04	Elect Anirudh Devgan	~	×
01.05	Elect Mary L. Krakauer	~	×
01.06	Elect Julia Liuson	~	<b>~</b>
01.07	Elect James D. Plummer	<b>~</b>	×
01.08	Elect Alberto Sangiovanni-Vincentelli	<b>~</b>	×
01.09	Elect John B. Shoven	<b>~</b>	×
01.10	Elect Young K. Sohn	<b>~</b>	×
02	Amendment to the Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan	<b>~</b>	×
03	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	~	×
04	Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1
05	Ratification of Auditor	~	<b>~</b>
06	Shareholder Proposal Regarding Length of Share Ownership Required to Call Special Meetings	×	×

ITEM 01.01 BOARD POLICY



Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is the CEO of SMART Global Holdings, Inc and sits on more than one board. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.02

BOARD POLICY

Elect Ita M. Brennan



Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. She is the CFO of Arista Networks, Inc., and sits on a total of more than one board. The number of boards on which she sits is too high and could compromise her ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.03

BOARD

**POLICY** 

**Elect Lewis Chew** 

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Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.04

BOARD

POLICY

Elect Anirudh Devgan	<b>/</b>	×
Proposer: Board	1	1
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclindependent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently the chief executive officer of the candidate was recorded.	•	•
	- Vote re	corded
ITEM 01.05	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Mary L. Krakauer	<b>/</b>	×
Proposer: Board	1	1
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclude independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. She is the Chairwoman of this company and sits on a toboards. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. A vote was recorded.	otal of more t	than two
	- Vote re	corded
ITEM 01.06	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Julia Liuson	/	/
Proposer: Board	1	ı
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclude independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A condidate was recorded.		

ITEM 01.07

Vote recorded

**BOARD** 

**POLICY** 



#### Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Audit Committee and the Nomination Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.08

BOARD POLICY

Elect Alberto Sangiovanni-Vincentelli

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#### Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Nomination Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.09

BOARD

POLICY

Elect John B. Shoven

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#### Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.10 BOARD POLICY

#### Proposer: Board

The proposal aims to set, in a non-restrictive manner, the frequency that shareholder will have the opportunity to approve an executive compensation program. It is relevant to allow shareholders a yearly opportunity to voice their concerns. A yearly frequency is in the shareholders' interest and has been selected.

Proposer: Board

More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirmed. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 06 BOARD POLICY

Shareholder Proposal Regarding Length of Share Ownership Required to Call Special Meetings

**Proposer:** John Chevedden

Currently, shareholders can consolidate their shares to reach the 15% threshold. However, only shares held for more than one year are taken into account. The requirement of a continuous holding period of 1 year is not exaggerated and helps to avoid the agenda of certain shareholders who may have specific short-term objectives. The proposal is not in the shareholders' interest. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

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## **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Vermilion Energy Inc. (VET)	2023-05-03,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
Canada	2023-03-15
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 923725105

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-00001002.1	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI CAD	62900

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01	Board Size	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
02.01	Elect Dion Hatcher	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
02.02	Elect James J. Kleckner	<b>~</b>	~
02.03	Elect Carin S. Knickel	<b>~</b>	~
02.04	Elect Stephen P. Larke	<b>~</b>	~
02.05	Elect Timothy R. Marchant	<b>~</b>	Ш
02.06	Elect Robert B. Michaleski	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
02.07	Elect William B. Roby	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
02.08	Elect Manjit K. Sharma	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
02.09	Elect Myron M. Stadnyk	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
02.10	Elect Judy A. Steele	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
03	Appointment of Auditor and Authority to Set Fees	<b>~</b>	~
04	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×

# **PROXY ANALYSIS**

ITEM 01	BOARD	POLICY
Board Size	<b>~</b>	<b>/</b>

Proposer: Board

The proposed size, which is within the range of 5 to 17 board members stipulated in the policy, will allow the board to be effective. A vote in favor was recorded.	our of the p	oroposal
	Vote recorded	
ITEM 02.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Dion Hatcher	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently the chief executive officer of the first to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 02.02	BOARD	POLICY
Elect James J. Kleckner	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vo candidate was recorded.		
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 02.03	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Carin S. Knickel	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the

candidate was recorded.		
	• Vote rec	orded:
ITEM 02.04	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Stephen P. Larke	<b>~</b>	/
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vecandidate was recorded.		
	• Vote red	orded:
ITEM 02.05	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Timothy R. Marchant	<b>~</b>	ш
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the policy. He has been on the board for over 10 years. He is the Energy inc and sits on a total of more than two boards. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to accorded interest. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.	Chairman	of Valeura
	• Vote rec	orded:
ITEM 02.06	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Robert B. Michaleski	<b>~</b>	/
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the

candidate was recorded.		
	<ul> <li>Vote recorded</li> </ul>	
ITEM 02.07	BOARD	POLICY
Elect William B. Roby	<b>✓</b>	~
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vecandidate was recorded.		
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 02.08	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Manjit K. Sharma	<b>✓</b>	~
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vocandidate was recorded.	•	
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 02.09	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Myron M. Stadnyk	<b>✓</b>	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

ITEM 02.10	BOARD POLICY
Elect Judy A. Steele	
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The keindependent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to opport candidate was recorded.	
ITEM 03	BOARD POLICY
Appointment of Auditor and Authority to Set Fees	
Proposer: Board	
More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing the proposal was recorded.	ng firm was verified and confirmed. A vote in favour o
ITEM 04	BOARD POLICY
Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	✓ ×
Proposer: Board	

A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. The compensation committee does not disclose the performance criteria targets of its incentive plans. This makes it impossible for shareholders to understand how the company determined the amounts the executives were paid. This is not adequate disclosure. In the event of a change of control, the directors' employment contrat includes accelerated vesting of awards which goes against the policy. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

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ISSUER	MEETING DATE	
American Express Company (AXP)	2023-05-02,	
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE	
United States	2023-03-06	
MEETING LOCATION		
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 25816109	

# POLICY: Share - Genus

CCOUNT NUMBER ACCOUNT NAME		STOCK COUNT	
N1-000001002.2	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	7400	

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Thomas J. Baltimore, Jr.	<b>~</b>	×
01.02	Elect John J. Brennan	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.03	Elect Peter Chernin	<b>~</b>	×
01.04	Elect Walter J. Clayton III	<b>~</b>	×
01.05	Elect Ralph de la Vega	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.06	Elect Theodore J. Leonsis	<b>~</b>	×
01.07	Elect Deborah P. Majoras	<b>~</b>	×
01.08	Elect Karen L. Parkhill	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.09	Elect Charles E. Phillips, Jr.	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
01.10	Elect Lynn A. Pike	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.11	Elect Stephen J. Squeri	<b>✓</b>	×
01.12	Elect Daniel L. Vasella	<b>~</b>	×
01.13	Elect Lisa W. Wardell	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.14	Elect Christopher D. Young	<b>~</b>	×
02	Ratification of Auditor	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
03	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×
04	Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1

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05	Shareholder Proposal Regarding Severance Approval Policy	×	<b>/</b>
06	Shareholder proposal requesting the publication of a report detailing the risks and costs to the company associated with requests for customer information to enforce state laws criminalizing access to abortion. The report should also set out the strategies that the company can deploy to mitigate these risks.	×	<b>~</b>
	PROXY ANALYSIS		
TEM 01.	01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Th	omas J. Baltimore, Jr.	~	×
Propose	r:Board		
Chair of	isation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy another company and sits on a total of more than two boards. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromis ely serve shareholder interest. A vote against the candidate was recorded.		to
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The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee and the Nomination Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. He is a member of the nominating committee and sits on a board of directors with less than 30% women. Because of his position, we consider him to be responsible for this lack of diversity within the board. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

BOARD POLICY

Elect Walter J. Clayton III

✓ ×

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is the CEO of another company and sits on more than one board. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.05

BOARD POLICY

✓ ✓

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.06 BOARD POLICY





The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee and the Nomination Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. He is a member of the nominating committee and sits on a board of directors with less than 30% women. Because of his position, we consider him to be responsible for this lack of diversity within the board. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. She is a member of the nominating committee and sits on a board of directors with less than 30% women. Because of her position, we consider her to be responsible for this lack of diversity within the board. She is a member of the Nominating Committee, and the Chairman of the Board is considered related by the company, which is contrary to policy. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.08

BOARD POLICY

Elect Karen L. Parkhill

✓ ✓

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.09	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Charles E. Phillips, Jr.		~
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them a Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This no oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
		orded
ITEM 01.10	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Lynn A. Pike		~
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them a Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This no oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
		orded
ITEM 01.11	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Stephen J. Squeri		×
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. This nominee is both CEO and Chairman, which goes against the policy. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

	- Vote rec	corded
ITEM 01.12	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Daniel L. Vasella	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the p Compensation Committee and the Nomination Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. He is a member of the nominating composition of directors with less than 30% women. Because of his position, we consider him to be responsible for this lack of diversity within the board didate was recorded.	olicy, sits on ommittee and	the d sits on a
	- Vote rec	corded
ITEM 01.13	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Lisa W. Wardell	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the police oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	- Vote red	corded
ITEM 01.14	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Christopher D. Young	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is a member of

the nominating committee and sits on a board of directors with less than 30% women. Because of his position, we consider him to be responsi diversity within the board. A vote against the candidate was recorded.	ble for this l	ack of
	Vote recorded	
ITEM 02	BOARD	POLICY
Ratification of Auditor	<b>/</b>	~
Proposer: Board		
More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirm the proposal was recorded.	ned. A vote i	n favour of
	<ul><li>Vote rec</li></ul>	orded
ITEM 03	BOARD	POLICY
Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>/</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. Compensation includes a share-option plan of the policy criteria. This company uses total shareholder return (TSR) as a measure of executive performance in its incentive compensation princreased by repurchasing shares. Thus, executives could receive a bonus simply because of the decrease in the number of shares. The CEO we times the average pay of Americans workers. Large pay disparities contribute to increasingly unequal societies, which are less sustainable, less productive. This is not good for the company or its stakeholders in the long term. The CEO is paid more than 3 times the compensation of another CEO to median employee pay ratio is higher than 170:1. A vote against the proposal was recorded.	olans. TSR is as paid more s inclusive, a	readily e than 200 and less
	<ul><li>Vote rec</li></ul>	orded
ITEM 04	BOARD	POLICY
Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1
Proposer: Board		

The proposal aims to set, in a non-restrictive manner, the frequency that shareholder will have the opportunity to approve an executive compensation program. It is relevant to allow shareholders a yearly opportunity to voice their concerns. A yearly frequency is in the shareholders' interest and has been selected.

TIEM 05

BOARD POLICY

Shareholder Proposal Regarding Severance Approval Policy

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Proposer: John Chevedden, on behalf of Kenneth Steiner

It is in the shareholders' interest to know and approve the amounts of the termination allowances that are to be granted to directors or managers in the event of an acquisition or merger that results in a change of control. Severance allowances are considered to be excessive when it exceeds 2.99 times the salary and premiums. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 06 BOARD POLICY

Shareholder proposal requesting the publication of a report detailing the risks and costs to the company associated with requests for customer information to enforce state laws criminalizing access to abortion. The report should also set out the strategies that the company can deploy to mitigate these risks.

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**✓** 

**Proposer:** Change Finance P.B.C.

The access to reproductive health care, particularly contraception and abortion, is a major issue in the United States. Since the repeal of Roe v. Wade in June 2022, 24 States have banned voluntary termination of pregnancy (abortion) or are preparing to do so, according to the Guttmacher Institute, a pro-choice organization. The battle for abortion rights goes on in the streets, in the courtrooms, and in State legislatures as the Biden administration attempts to improve access to abortion, including making it easier to distribute abortion pills. Their fate is under threat, however, as the courts are called upon to rule on the validity of the authorization granted over 20 years ago to mifepristone (RU 486), one of the 2 pills used in medical abortion. Although abortion is a divisive issue in the U.S., many companies have publicly supported women's right to abortion and taken steps to ensure that their employees have access to it, wherever they work. Yet for some companies, like American Express, which collect sensitive personal information such as geolocation data, browsing history and financial activity, there is a high risk that States will use it to enforce anti-abortion laws. Indeed, law enforcement in States that restrict abortion rely on such data to investigate and prosecute individuals who have sought or provided assistance with abortions. For example, Meta received significant negative press after complying with a Nebraska police data request for private Facebook messages between a mother and daughter, which resulted in them being charged with crimes related to the daughter's alleged abortion. Policymakers have already expressed concern about this, and bills are being considered in Congress to increase privacy protection for personal information related to reproductive health. California has already taken action, and now requires law enforcement agencies in other states seeking personal data from California companies to certify that their investigation does not involve any crime related to abortion, whi

significant financial, legal, and reputational risks for companies that comply with them. The proponent also notes that American Express already respects the "right to delete" under California law, which allows consumers to request that the company delete personal data that it is not legally required to retain. In this context, we consider the proposal to be reasonable and justified. For example, it would be relevant to know whether American Express is evaluating the possibility of extending a privacy policy throughout the United States that would offer consumers a "right to delete", thereby helping to protect its consumers and its reputation. In this context, we consider that the proposal is reasonable and justified, and that the requested report would provide investors with additional information that would enable them to better assess the risks to which the company is exposed as a result of the new anti-abortion laws and how it intends to manage them. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

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ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Toromont Industries Ltd (TIH)	2023-04-28,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
Canada	2023-03-15
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE	SECURITIES
Annual	891102105

## **POLICY: Share - Genus**

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-00001002.1	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI CAD	10500

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Peter J. Blake	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.02	Elect Benjamin D. Cherniavsky	~	<b>~</b>
01.03	Elect Jeffrey S. Chisholm	~	×
01.04	Elect Cathryn E. Cranston	~	×
01.05	Elect Sharon L. Hodgson	~	<b>~</b>
01.06	Elect Scott J. Medhurst	~	×
01.07	Elect Frederick J. Mifflin	~	<b>~</b>
01.08	Elect Katherine A. Rethy	~	×
01.09	Elect Richard G. Roy	~	<b>~</b>
02	Appoint auditor	~	<b>~</b>
03	Advisory vote on executive compensation	<b>~</b>	×
04	To transact other business.	<b>~</b>	×

### PROXY ANALYSIS

ITEM 01.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Peter J. Blake	<b>~</b>	~

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusing independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vicandidate was recorded.	•	•
	- Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.02	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Benjamin D. Cherniavsky	<b>/</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusion independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A variable to the policy of them are independent. The policy of them are independent. No key committee is exclusionable to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A variable to the policy of them are independent.	•	•
	- Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.03	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Jeffrey S. Chisholm	<b>/</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusion independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee and the Nomina has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.		
	- Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.04	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Cathryn E. Cranston	<b>/</b>	×
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusionate independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Audit Committee and the Nomination Common the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.		
	• Vote reco	orded
ITEM 01.05	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Sharon L. Hodgson	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusing independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A variable was recorded.		
	• Vote reco	orded
ITEM 01.06	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Scott J. Medhurst	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusi independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently the chief executive officer of the ficandidate was recorded.		
	• Vote reco	orded
ITEM 01.07	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Frederick J. Mifflin	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusive independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vecandidate was recorded.		
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 01.08	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Katherine A. Rethy	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusive independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee and the Nomina has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.		
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 01.09	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Richard G. Roy	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusive independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vecandidate was recorded.		
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 02	BOARD	POLICY
Appoint auditor	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		

More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was vetthe proposal was recorded.	erified and confirmed. A vote	in favour o
	Vote red	corded
ITEM 03	BOARD	POLICY
Advisory vote on executive compensation	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board	·	•
A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. The compensation comm criteria targets of its incentive plans. This makes it impossible for shareholders to understand how the company determined This is not adequate disclosure. Investors should be mindful, this company uses total shareholder return (TSR) as a measure compensation plans. TSR is readily increased by repurchasing shares. The vesting schedule is not in line with the 3 years stip performance targets. A vote against the proposal was recorded.	the amounts the executives vof executive performance in i	were paid. ts incentiv inked to
ITEM 04	BOARD	POLICY
To transact other business.	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board	'	1
This proposal is vague and its details are not known. A vote against the proposal was recorded.		

Vote recorded

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### **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER Agnico-Eagle Mines Ltd (AEM)	MEETING DATE 2023-04-28,
COUNTRY Canada	RECORD DATE 2023-03-17
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual and extraordinary	SECURITIES 8474108

## POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.1	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI CAD	22100

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Leona Aglukkaq	~	<b>~</b>
01.02	Elect Ammar Al-Joundi	~	×
01.03	Elect Sean Boyd	~	×
01.04	Elect Martine A. Celej	~	×
01.05	Elect Robert J. Gemmell	~	×
01.06	Elect Jonathan Gill	~	<b>~</b>
01.07	Elect Peter Grosskopf	~	×
01.08	Elect Elizabeth Lewis-Gray	~	<b>~</b>
01.09	Elect Deborah McCombe	~	<b>~</b>
01.10	Elect Jeffrey Parr	~	×
01.11	Elect J. Merfyn Roberts	~	×
01.12	Elect Jamie C. Sokalsky	~	×
02	Appointment of Auditor and Authority to Set Fees	~	<b>~</b>
03	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×

## PROXY ANALYSIS

ITEM 01.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Leona Aglukkaq		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committed independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's candidate was recorded.			
		Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.02		BOARD	POLICY
Elect Ammar Al-Joundi		<b>✓</b>	×
Proposer: Board	·		•
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committed independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently the chief executive office candidate was recorded.			against the
ITEM 01.03		BOARD	POLICY
Elect Sean Boyd		<b>✓</b>	×
Proposer: Board	·		•
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committed independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is a former executive of the compaindependent, is also Chairman, which goes against policy. A vote against the candidate was recorded.			
		Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.04		BOARD	POLICY
Elect Martine A. Celej		<b>~</b>	×

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusi independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee. She has been or years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.		
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.05	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Robert J. Gemmell	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		-
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusi independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee and the Nomina has been on the board for over 10 years. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.	ntion Comm e not in the	ittee. He best ave voted
ITEM 01.06	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Jonathan Gill	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board	·	•
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusi independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A v candidate was recorded.	•	•
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.07	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Peter Grosskopf	<b>~</b>	×

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded POLICY ITEM 01.08 **BOARD** Elect Elizabeth Lewis-Gray Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.09 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Deborah McCombe Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.10 **BOARD POLICY Elect Jeffrey Parr** 

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.11

BOARD POLICY

Elect J. Merfyn Roberts

✓ ×

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Audit Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. He is the Chair of Probe Gold and sits on a total of more than two boards. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 02 BOARD POLICY



More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirmed. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 03

BOARD POLICY

Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation

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Proposer: Board

A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. Directors retain broad discretion in the granting of cash bonuses. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

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ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Altagas Ltd (ALA)	2023-04-28,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
Canada	2023-03-08
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 021361100

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.1	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI CAD	71600

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01	Appointment of Auditor and Authority to Set Fees	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
02.01	Elect Victoria A. Calvert	~	<b>~</b>
02.02	Elect David W. Cornhill	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
02.03	Elect Randall L. Crawford	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
02.04	Elect Jon-Al Duplantier	~	<b>~</b>
02.05	Elect Robert B. Hodgins	~	×
02.06	Elect Cynthia Johnston	~	<b>~</b>
02.07	Elect Pentti O. Karkkainen	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
02.08	Elect Phillip R. Knoll	<b>~</b>	~
02.09	Elect Linda G. Sullivan	~	<b>~</b>
02.10	Elect Nancy G. Tower	<b>~</b>	~
03	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×

### **PROXY ANALYSIS**

ITEM 01	BOARD	POLICY
Appointment of Auditor and Authority to Set Fees	<b>~</b>	~

Proposer: Board

More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirme the proposal was recorded.	ed. A vote ir	n favour of
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 02.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Victoria A. Calvert	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Commit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reasonominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 02.02	BOARD	POLICY
Elect David W. Cornhill	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Commit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the policy. He has been over 10 years. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 02.03	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Randall L. Crawford	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently the chief

executive officer of the firm. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	• Vote red	corded
ITEM 02.04	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Jon-Al Duplantier	<b>~</b>	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Comm Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no re nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	- Vote red	corded
ITEM 02.05	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Robert B. Hodgins	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Comm Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the the Nomination Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. He is the Chairman of Gran Tierra Energy Inc and sits on a total of months that the number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. A vote against the recorded.	Audit Como	mittee and o boards.
	- Vote red	corded
ITEM 02.06	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Cynthia Johnston	~	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Comm Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no re nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.	
	<ul> <li>Vote recorded</li> </ul>
ITEM 02.07	BOARD POLICY
Elect Pentti O. Karkkainen	<b>/ /</b>
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Comm Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no re nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.	
	<ul> <li>Vote recorded</li> </ul>
ITEM 02.08	BOARD POLICY
Elect Phillip R. Knoll	
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Comm Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no re nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.	
	<ul> <li>Vote recorded</li> </ul>
ITEM 02.09	BOARD POLICY
Elect Linda G. Sullivan	
Proposer: Board	

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

ITEM 02.10

Elect Nancy G. Tower

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

ITEM 03

BOARD POLICY

Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation

Proposer: Board

A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. In the event of a change of control, the employment contract for executives includes retention bonuses. This company uses total shareholder return (TSR) as a measure of executive performance in its incentive compensation plans. TSR is readily increased by repurchasing shares. The board asks for the authorization to buyback shares through proposal 5. Thus, executives could receive a bonus simply because of the decrease in the number of shares. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

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ISSUER	MEETING DATE	
Texas Instruments Inc. (TXN)	2023-04-27,	
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE	
United States	2023-03-01	
MEETING LOCATION		
MEETING TYPE	SECURITIES	
Annual	882508104	

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.2	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	4700

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Mark A. Blinn	~	×
01.02	Elect Todd M. Bluedorn	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.03	Elect Janet F. Clark	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
01.04	Elect Carrie S. Cox	<b>~</b>	×
01.05	Elect Martin S. Craighead	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.06	Elect Curtis C. Farmer	<b>~</b>	×
01.07	Elect Jean M. Hobby	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.08	Elect Haviv Ilan	<b>~</b>	×
01.09	Elect Ronald Kirk	<b>~</b>	×
01.10	Elect Pamela H. Patsley	<b>~</b>	×
01.11	Elect Robert E. Sanchez	<b>~</b>	×
01.12	Elect Richard K. Templeton	<b>~</b>	×
02	Amendment to the 2014 Employee Stock Purchase Plan	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
03	Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1
04	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×
05	Ratification of Auditor	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
06	Shareholder proposal in order to reduce the number of shares required to be able to convene an extraordinary general meeting.	×	<b>~</b>

Shareholder proposal requesting that the Board of Directors commission an independent report on the company's due diligence process for determining whether its customers' use of its products or services contributes to or is related to violations of international law.



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#### **PROXY ANALYSIS**

ITEM 01.01 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Mark A. Blinn Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.02 **BOARD POLICY** Elect Todd M. Bluedorn **Proposer:** Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.03 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Janet F. Clark Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.04 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Carrie S. Cox Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee. She has been on the board for over 10 years. She is the Chairwoman of another company and sits on a total of more than two boards. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.05 Elect Martin S. Craighead Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.06 BOARD POLICY Elect Curtis C. Farmer

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is the CEO of another company and sits on more than one board. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.07 BOARD **POLICY** Elect Jean M. Hobby Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.08 BOARD POLICY Elect Haviv Ilan **Proposer:** Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently the chief executive officer of the firm. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.09 **BOARD** POLICY **Elect Ronald Kirk** 

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Nomination Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

TIEM 01.10

BOARD POLICY

Elect Pamela H. Patsley

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee. She has been on the board for over 10 years. This non independent nominee is lead director and the position is not temporary. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Nomination Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. He is the CEO of another company and sits on more than one board. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.12 BOARD POLICY

**BOARD** 

POLICY

Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation

**Proposer:** Board

ITEM 04

A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. Too little of the executives' incentive bonus is based on performance. This limits the effectiveness of the bonus as an incentive to do a good job, because executives will get some part of the bonus even if they perform poorly. The CEO was paid more than 200 times the average American wage. Large wage disparities contribute to increasingly unequal, less sustainable, inclusive and productive societies. In the long run, such a situation can lead to negative fallout for the company or its stakeholders. A vote against the proposal was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 05 **BOARD** POLICY Ratification of Auditor Proposer: Board More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirmed. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 06 **BOARD** POLICY Shareholder proposal in order to reduce the number of shares required to be able to convene an extraordinary general meeting. Proposer: John Chevedden This proposal would allow shareholders with a reasonable percentage of share ownership (in relation to company size) of 10% to call special meetings. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded. Vote recorded **ITEM 07 BOARD POLICY** Shareholder proposal requesting that the Board of Directors commission an independent report on the company's due diligence process for determining whether its customers' use of its products or services contributes to or is related to violations of international law. **Proposer:** Friends Fiduciary Corporation

Companies directly or indirectly related to human rights violations are exposed to financial, legal, operational, and reputational risks, and even to boycott and disinvestment. As required by the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, they must therefore implement a due diligence process to identify, assess, prevent, and effectively mitigate actual and potential adverse human rights impacts that they may have or contribute to through their activities or that may arise directly from their activities, products or services through their business relationships. Texas Instruments faces significant human rights risks, including those related to the use of its dual-use products. It is true, as the company points out, that it is part of a large, dynamic, and multi-tiered global electronics supply chain. where components such as semiconductors are traded by multiple parties before being incorporated into a subsystem or final product. In some cases, even after being incorporated into a final product not subject to sanctions, such as household appliances, its products may end up in devices not intended by the company and be linked to violations of international law or human rights. A study by the British think tank Royal United Service Institute (RUSI), for example, revealed that components from Texas Instruments and other Western companies such as Analog Devices and Intel were found in weapons systems used by the Russian military against Ukraine, even though Texas Instruments ceased sales to Russia and Belarus in February 2022. Now, while some components were several years old, sometimes as far back as 1998, others were recent and covered by U.S. export restrictions and due diligence to ensure that they were not destined for a prohibited end-user or prohibited end-use. The proponent admits this is a challenge and assures that it recognizes and understands the complex reality of the semiconductor industry and the difficulties of full transparency of its value chain, as well as the dual-use nature of semiconductor components, the industry's dependence on retail markets and third-party distributors, and the lengthy chip lifespan that makes it virtually impossible to track the end users of 80,000 different products. However, because non-governmental organizations have been able to trace the company's shipments of dual-use components to a prohibited use, the proponent believes that the company should review its customer and human rights due diligence policies and procedures, as well as its sanctions and export control compliance program. Note that in 2022, Texas Instruments did poorly in the Corporate Human Rights Benchmark ranking of human rights risk management. Its overall score was 8.1%, compared to the sector average of 18.3%, and it did not collect any points for the 5 indicators relating to due diligence. Therefore, we consider that the proposal is justified and reasonable. Conducting an independent assessment of the company's due diligence processes would ensure their effectiveness and robustness, as well as whether they mitigate the risk of its products contributing to human rights violations and reasonably protect it from the risks associated with human rights violations. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

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### **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Ameriprise Financial Inc. (AMP)	2023-04-26,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
United States	2023-02-27
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 03076C106

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.2	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	4100

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect James M. Cracchiolo	<b>~</b>	×
01.02	Elect Robert F. Sharpe, Jr.	<b>~</b>	×
01.03	Elect Dianne Neal Blixt	~	<b>~</b>
01.04	Elect Amy DiGeso	~	×
01.05	Elect Christopher J. Williams	~	×
01.06	Elect Armando Pimentel, Jr.	~	×
01.07	Elect Brian T. Shea	~	×
01.08	Elect W. Edward Walter III	<b>~</b>	~
02	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×
03	Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1
04	Amendment to the 2005 Incentive Compensation Plan	~	×
05	Ratification of Auditor	~	<b>~</b>

### **PROXY ANALYSIS**

ITEM 01.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect James M. Cracchiolo	<b>~</b>	×

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. This nominee is both CEO and Chairman, which goes against the policy. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.02 BOARD POLICY Elect Robert F. Sharpe, Jr. Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on these committees. He has been on the board for over 10 years. This non independent nominee is lead director and the position is not temporary. He is a member of the nominating committee and sits on a board of directors with less than 30% women. Because of his position, we consider him to be responsible for this lack of diversity within the board. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.03 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Dianne Neal Blixt Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.04 BOARD POLICY Elect Amy DiGeso Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. She is a member of the nominating committee and sits on a board of directors with less than 30% women. Because of her position, we consider her to be responsible for this lack of diversity within the board. The CEO is also chair of the board. This arrangement creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.05

BOARD POLICY

Elect Christopher J. Williams

✓ ×

**Proposer:** Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is a member of the nominating committee and sits on a board of directors with less than 30% women. Because of his position, we consider him to be responsible for this lack of diversity within the board. The CEO is also chair of the board. This arrangement creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.06

BOARD POLICY

Elect Armando Pimentel, Jr.

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Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is CEO of Florida Power & Light and sits on the Compensation Committee, which goes against the policy. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.07 BOARD POLICY



#### Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is a member of the nominating committee and sits on a board of directors with less than 30% women. Because of his position, we consider him to be responsible for this lack of diversity within the board. The CEO is also chair of the board. This arrangement creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.08

BOARD POLICY

Elect W. Edward Walter III

**Proposer:** Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 02

Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation

Vote recorded

BOARD POLICY

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Proposer: Board

A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. Too little of the executives' incentive bonus is based on performance. This limits the effectiveness of the bonus as an incentive to do a good job, because executives will get some part of the bonus even if they perform poorly. Compensation includes a share-option plan that does not meet all of the policy criteria. The policy is opposed to the use of share-option-based compensation plans for directors. Severance pay exceeds 2 times the executive's salary. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

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poser: Board	,	
proposal aims to set, in a non-restrictive manner, the frequency that shareholder will have the opportunity to approve an executive compens ant to allow shareholders a yearly opportunity to voice their concerns. A yearly frequency is in the shareholders' interest and has been selec		gram. It
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04	BOARD	POLIC
endment to the 2005 Incentive Compensation Plan	<b>~</b>	×
poser: Board	'	
proposed share-based compensation plan does not meet all of the policy criteria. This plan's share-dilution rate is over 10%. The plan makes ts to company consultants, suppliers, or contractual employees. Stock appreciation rights are akin to phantom stock. This type of grant does		
agement's interests those of shareholders because the risk of holding shares is not real. A vote against the proposal was recorded.		
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### **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER TFI International Inc. (TSE:TFII)	MEETING DATE 2023-04-26,
COUNTRY Canada	RECORD DATE 2023-03-15
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual and extraordinary	SECURITIES 87241L109

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ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-00001002.1	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI CAD	15000

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Leslie Abi-Karam	~	×
01.02	Elect Alain Bédard	<b>~</b>	×
01.03	Elect André Bérard	<b>~</b>	×
01.04	Elect William T. England	<b>~</b>	~
01.05	Elect Diane Giard	~	~
01.06	Elect Debra J. Kelly-Ennis	~	~
01.07	Elect Neil D. Manning	~	×
01.08	Elect John Pratt	~	~
01.09	Elect Joey Saputo	<b>~</b>	×
01.10	Elect Rosemary Turner	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
02	Appointment of Auditor and Authority to Set Fees	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
03	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×

### PROXY ANALYSIS

ITEM 01.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Leslie Abi-Karam	<b>~</b>	×

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded ITEM 01.02 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Alain Bédard Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. This nominee is both CEO and Chairman, which goes against the policy. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded BOARD ITEM 01.03 POLICY Elect André Bérard Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on all the key committees. He has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.04 **BOARD** Elect William T. England Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusi independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A v candidate was recorded.		
	- Vote reco	orded
ITEM 01.05	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Diane Giard	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusi independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A v candidate was recorded.		
	- Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.06	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Debra J. Kelly-Ennis	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusi independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A v candidate was recorded.		
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.07	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Neil D. Manning	<b>/</b>	×
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Nomination Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

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ITEM 01.08	BOARD	POLICY
Elect John Pratt	<b>~</b>	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusionable independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A candidate was recorded.		
	- Vote red	corded
ITEM 01.09	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Joey Saputo	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusing independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee. He has been o years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.		
	Vote red	corded
ITEM 01.10	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Rosemary Turner	<b>/</b>	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board		

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	Vote in favor  Vote red  BOARD  med. A vote

A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. This company uses total shareholder return (TSR) as a measure of executive performance in its incentive compensation plans. TSR is readily increased by repurchasing shares. The company bought back some of its shares last year. Thus, executives could receive a bonus simply because of the decrease in the number of shares. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

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### **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER Constellation Energy Corp (NASDAQ: CEG)	MEETING DATE 2023-04-25 ,
COUNTRY United States	RECORD DATE 2023-03-01
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 21037T109

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.2	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	13000

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Joseph Dominguez	~	<b>~</b>
01.02	Elect Julie Holzrichter	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.03	Elect Ashish Khandpur	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
02	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×
03	Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1
04	Ratification of Auditor	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>

#### **PROXY ANALYSIS**

ITEM 01.01

BOARD POLICY

Elect Joseph Dominguez

Proposer: Board

Because board elections are staggered, this does not allow shareholders to express their opinion on each board member in a yearly vote. The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently the chief executive officer of the firm. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

TIEM 01.02

BOARD POLICY

Elect Julie Holzrichter

✓ ✓

Because board elections are staggered, this does not allow shareholders to express their opinion on each board member in a yearly vote. The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded ITEM 01.03 BOARD Elect Ashish Khandpur Proposer: Board Because board elections are staggered, this does not allow shareholders to express their opinion on each board member in a yearly vote. The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 02 **BOARD** POLICY Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation Proposer: Board A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. Severance pay exceeds 2 times the executive's salary. A vote against the proposal was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 03 BOARD POLICY Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation Proposer: Board

The proposal aims to set, in a non-restrictive manner, the frequency that shareholder will have the opportunity to approve an executive compensation program. It is relevant to allow shareholders a yearly opportunity to voice their concerns. A yearly frequency is in the shareholders' interest and has been selected.

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ITEM 04	BOARD	POLIC
Ratification of Auditor	<b>~</b>	/
Proposer: Board		

More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirmed. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

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### **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER Boliden AB (BOL)	MEETING DATE 2023-04-25,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
Sweden	2023-04-17
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE	SECURITIES
Annual	W17218103

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-00001002.11	Genus Encasa - N1-000001002.11	31200

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
02	Elect chairman of meeting	<b>✓</b>	~
03	Approve list of shareholders	<b>~</b>	~
04	Approve agenda of meeting	<b>~</b>	~
06	Approve proper convening of meeting	<b>~</b>	~
11	Approve financial statements and statutory reports	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
12	Approve dividend	<b>~</b>	×
13.01	Discharge chair	<b>~</b>	×
13.02	Discharge	<b>~</b>	×
13.03	Discharge	<b>~</b>	×
13.04	Discharge	<b>~</b>	×
13.05	Discharge	<b>~</b>	×
13.06	Discharge	<b>~</b>	×
13.07	Discharge	<b>~</b>	×
13.08	Discharge	<b>~</b>	×
13.09	Discharge	<b>~</b>	×
13.10	Discharge	<b>~</b>	×
13.11	Discharge	<b>~</b>	×

13.12	Discharge	<b>~</b>	×
13.13	Discharge	<b>~</b>	×
13.14	Discharge	<b>~</b>	×
13.15	Discharge	<b>~</b>	×
13.16	Discharge	<b>✓</b>	×
13.17	Discharge	<b>✓</b>	×
13.18	Discharge	<b>✓</b>	×
13.19	Discharge	<b>✓</b>	×
13.20	Discharge	<b>~</b>	×
14.01	Determine size of the board	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
14.02	Determine size of the number of auditors	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
15	To approve the directors' compensation.	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
16.01	Elect Helene Biström	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
16.02	Elect Tomas Eliasson	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
16.03	Elect Per Lindberg	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
16.04	Elect Perttu Louhiluoto	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
16.05	Elect Elisabeth Nilsson	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
16.06	Elect Pia Rudengren	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>

16.07	Elect Karl-Henrik Sundström	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
16.08	Elect Karl-Henrik Sundström as chair	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
17	Approve remuneration of auditors	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
18	Approve auditor	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
19	Approve remuneration report	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
20.01	Elect Lennart Francke	<b>~</b>	×
20.02	Elect Karin Eliasson	<b>~</b>	×
20.03	Elect Patrik Jönsson	<b>~</b>	×
21	To approve a reorganization through share subdivision.	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
22.01	Approve long term employee savings plan	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
22.02	Approve equity plan financing	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
22.02.01	Approve transfer of shares to participants in LTIP	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
22.02.02	Approve alternate equity plan financing	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
23	Approve remuneration policy for executive management	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>

### PROXY ANALYSIS

ITEM 02	BOARD	POLICY
Elect chairman of meeting	<b>/</b>	~

This is a formality. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.			
	Vote re	<ul> <li>Vote recorded</li> </ul>	
ITEM 03	BOARD	POLICY	
Approve list of shareholders	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>	
Proposer: Board	•		
This is a formality. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.			
	Vote re	<ul> <li>Vote recorded</li> </ul>	
ITEM 04	BOARD	POLICY	
Approve agenda of meeting	<b>/</b>	<b>~</b>	
Proposer: Board			
This is a formality. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.			
	Vote re	- Vote recorded	
ITEM 06	BOARD	POLICY	
Approve proper convening of meeting	<b>/</b>	<b>~</b>	
Proposer: Board	•		
This is a formality. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.			
	Vote re	<ul> <li>Vote recorded</li> </ul>	
ITEM 11	BOARD	POLICY	

It goes against the principle of accountability to approve the actions of the Board and thereby exempt them from any liability. A vote against the recorded.	ie proposal	was
	Vote recorded	
ITEM 13.03	BOARD	POLICY
Discharge	<b>/</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
It goes against the principle of accountability to approve the actions of the Board and thereby exempt them from any liability. A vote against the recorded.	ie proposal	was
	<ul><li>Vote recorded</li></ul>	
ITEM 13.04	BOARD	POLICY
Discharge	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		-
It goes against the principle of accountability to approve the actions of the Board and thereby exempt them from any liability. A vote against the recorded.	ne proposal	was
	Vote recorded	
ITEM 13.05	BOARD	POLICY
Discharge	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board	'	•

It goes against the principle of accountability to approve the actions of the Board and thereby exempt them from any liability. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

ITEM 13.06	BOARD POLICY
Discharge	✓   ×
Proposer: Board	
It goes against the principle of accountability to approve the actions of the Board and thereby exempt them from any recorded.	liability. A vote against the proposal was
	Vote recorded
ITEM 13.07	BOARD POLICY
Discharge	✓   ×
Proposer: Board	
It goes against the principle of accountability to approve the actions of the Board and thereby exempt them from any recorded.	liability. A vote against the proposal was
	Vote recorded
ITEM 13.08	BOARD POLICY
Discharge	<b>✓ ×</b>
Proposer: Board	
It goes against the principle of accountability to approve the actions of the Board and thereby exempt them from any recorded.	liability. A vote against the proposal was
ITEM 13.09	BOARD POLICY

It goes against the principle of accountability to approve the actions of the Board and thereby exempt them from any liability. A vote against the recorded.	ne proposal	was
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ITEM 13.13	BOARD	POLICY
Discharge	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
It goes against the principle of accountability to approve the actions of the Board and thereby exempt them from any liability. A vote against the recorded.	ie proposal	was
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 13.14	BOARD	POLICY
Discharge	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
It goes against the principle of accountability to approve the actions of the Board and thereby exempt them from any liability. A vote against the recorded.	ie proposal	was
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 13.15	BOARD	POLICY
Discharge	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board	'	•

It goes against the principle of accountability to approve the actions of the Board and thereby exempt them from any liability. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 13.16	BOARD	POLICY
Discharge	<b>/</b>	×
Proposer: Board		'
It goes against the principle of accountability to approve the actions of the Board and thereby exempt them from any liability. A vote a recorded.	ngainst the proposal	was
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 13.17	BOARD	POLICY
Discharge	<b>/</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
It goes against the principle of accountability to approve the actions of the Board and thereby exempt them from any liability. A vote a recorded.	ngainst the proposal	was
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 13.18	BOARD	POLICY
Discharge	<b>/</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
It goes against the principle of accountability to approve the actions of the Board and thereby exempt them from any liability. A vote a recorded.	ngainst the proposal	was
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 13.19	BOARD	POLICY

Discharge	<b>/</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
It goes against the principle of accountability to approve the actions of the Board and thereby exempt them from any liability. A vote against the recorded.	he proposal	was
	- Vote red	corded
ITEM 13.20	BOARD	POLICY
Discharge	<b>/</b>	×
Proposer: Board	•	
It goes against the principle of accountability to approve the actions of the Board and thereby exempt them from any liability. A vote against the recorded.	he proposal	was
	- Vote red	corded
ITEM 14.01	BOARD	POLICY
Determine size of the board	<b>/</b>	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board	•	
The proposed size, which is within the range of 5 to 17 board members stipulated in the policy, will allow the board to be effective. A vote in fa was recorded.	vour of the	proposal
	- Vote red	corded
ITEM 14.02	BOARD	POLICY
Determine size of the number of auditors	<b>/</b>	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board	1	1

It is common practice to appoint only one audit firm. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.		
	- Vote red	corded
ITEM 15	BOARD	POLICY
To approve the directors' compensation.	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The directors' compensation meets the policy criteria. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.		
	- Vote red	corded
ITEM 16.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Helene Biström	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusive independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A candidate was recorded.		
	- Vote red	corded
ITEM 16.02	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Tomas Eliasson	<b>~</b>	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board	-	

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

	- Vote red	corded
ITEM 16.03	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Per Lindberg	<b>~</b>	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board		•
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusive independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A candidate was recorded.		
	- Vote red	corded
ITEM 16.04	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Perttu Louhiluoto	<b>/</b>	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusive independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A verified was recorded.		
	- Vote red	corded
ITEM 16.05	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Elisabeth Nilsson	<b>/</b>	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board		-

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

	Vote red	corded
ITEM 16.06	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Pia Rudengren	<b>~</b>	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board		•
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusive independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A candidate was recorded.		
	- Vote rec	corded
ITEM 16.07	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Karl-Henrik Sundström	<b>/</b>	/
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusive independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A candidate was recorded.		
	Vote rec	corded
ITEM 16.08	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Karl-Henrik Sundström as chair	<b>~</b>	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board	•	•
This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the car	ndidate was r	recorded.
	Vote rec	corded
ITEM 17	BOARD	POLICY

Approve remuneration of auditors	<b>~</b>	~
Proposer: Board		
We observe that more than 75% of the fees paid to the auditing firm that prepared the financial statements were for auditing services. The audiewed them is independent. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.	diting firm t	hat
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 18	BOARD	POLICY
Approve auditor	<b>~</b>	~
Proposer: Board		
We observe that more than 75% of the fees paid to the auditing firm that prepared the financial statements were for auditing services. The audiewed them is independent. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.	diting firm t	hat
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 19	BOARD	POLICY
Approve remuneration report	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
A complete analysis of the compensation report shows that it meets all of the policy criteria. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.		
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 20.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Lennart Francke	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board	·	

Elect Karin Eliasson  Proposer: Board  We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is a representative of Handelsbanken Fonder, a shareholder of the company, on the board of directors. A vote against the candidate was recorded.  Vote recorded  ITEM 20.03  BOARD POLIC  Elect Patrik Jönsson  Proposer: Board  We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is a representative of SEB Fonder, a shareholder of the company, on the board of directors. A vote against the candidate was recorded.  Vote recorded	We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent accepted the is a representative of Swedbank Robur fonder, a shareholder of the company, on the board of directors. A vote against the candidate was		e company.
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To approve a reorganization through share subdivision.		- Vote re	corded
	ITEM 21	BOARD	POLICY
Proposer: Board	To approve a reorganization through share subdivision.	<b>/</b>	<b>/</b>
	Proposer: Board		

It is the Board of Directors' responsibility to make recommendations on the share-split based on an analysis of the company's needs and strategic opportunities. The proposal aims to replace all outstanding shares by 2 new shares from the same category, thereby increasing the number of outstanding shares. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

	Vote recorded
ITEM 22.01	BOARD POLICY
Approve long term employee savings plan	<b>/ /</b>
Proposer: Board	
The proposed savings plan meets all of the policy criteria. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 22.02	BOARD POLICY
Approve equity plan financing	<b>/ /</b>
Proposer: Board	
The proposed share-based compensation plan meets all of the policy criteria. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 22.02.01	BOARD POLICY
Approve transfer of shares to participants in LTIP	<b>/ /</b>
Proposer: Board	
The proposed share-based compensation plan meets all of the policy criteria. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.	
ITEM 22.02.02	BOARD POLICY
Approve alternate equity plan financing	

#### **Proposer:** Board

The proposed share-based compensation plan meets all of the policy criteria. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

**ITEM 23** 

**BOARD POLICY** 

Approve remuneration policy for executive management

Proposer: Board

A complete analysis of the compensation policy shows that it meets all of the policy criteria. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

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### **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER	MEETING DATE
National Bank of Canada (NA)	2023-04-21,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
Canada	2023-02-22
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 633067103

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-00001002.1	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI CAD	33700

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Maryse Bertrand	~	Ш
01.02	Elect Pierre Blouin	<b>~</b>	~
01.03	Elect Pierre Boivin	~	×
01.04	Elect Yvon Charest	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.05	Elect Patricia Curadeau-Grou	~	<b>~</b>
01.06	Elect Laurent Ferreira	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.07	Elect Annick Guérard	<b>~</b>	×
01.08	Elect Karen Kinsley	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.09	Elect Lynn Loewen	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.10	Elect Rebecca McKillican	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.11	Elect Robert Paré	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.12	Elect Pierre Pomerleau	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.13	Elect Lino A. Saputo	<b>~</b>	Ш
01.14	Elect Macky Tall	<b>~</b>	Ш
02	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>✓</b>	×
03	Appointment of Auditor	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
04	Shareholder proposal requesting that the bank have an annual advisory vote on the company's environmental and climate change objectives and action plan.	×	<b>~</b>

#### **PROXY ANALYSIS**

ITEM 01.01 BOARD POLICY Elect Maryse Bertrand Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on these committees. She has been on the board for over 10 years. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.02 BOARD POLICY Flect Pierre Blouin Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.03 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Pierre Boivin Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

		ecorded
ITEM 01.04	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Yvon Charest	<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of then Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is dee nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
		ecorded
ITEM 01.05	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Patricia Curadeau-Grou	<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of then Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is dee nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.	•	•
		ecorded
ITEM 01.06	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Laurent Ferreira	<b>✓</b>	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board	·	-

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently the chief executive officer of the firm. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

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ITEM 01.07	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Annick Guérard		×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are indecommittee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed indeand sits on more than one board. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could covote against the candidate was recorded.	ependent according to the policy. She is the CEO of Transat A	A.T. inc
		rded
ITEM 01.08	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Karen Kinsley		<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are inde Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed indenominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
		rded
ITEM 01.09	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Lynn Loewen		<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

	Vote	recorded
ITEM 01.10	BOAR	D POLICY
Elect Rebecca McKillican	/	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board	ı	1
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. To nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	Vote	recorded
ITEM 01.11	BOAR	D POLICY
Elect Robert Paré		<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board	·	•
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. To nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	Vote	recorded
ITEM 01.12	BOAR	D POLICY
Elect Pierre Pomerleau	~	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board	,	

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this first-time nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Proposer: Board

Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation

A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. The compensation committee does not disclose the performance criteria targets of its incentive plans. This makes it impossible for shareholders to understand how the company determined the amounts the executives were paid. This is not adequate disclosure. This company uses total shareholder return (TSR) as a measure of executive performance in its incentive compensation plans. TSR is readily increased by repurchasing shares. Thus, this authorization could artificially inflate the company's total shareholder return and give executives an unearned bonus. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded **ITEM 03 BOARD** Appointment of Auditor Proposer: Board More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirmed. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded. Vote recorded **ITEM 04 BOARD** Shareholder proposal requesting that the bank have an annual advisory vote on the company's environmental and climate change objectives and action plan.

Proposer: Board

According to the 2022 edition of Rainforest Action Network's "Banking on Climate Chaos" report (89mg.short.gy/mUXTcm), RBC, TD Bank, Scotiabank, Bank of Montreal, and CIBC provided more than US\$131 billion to fossil fuel companies over the course of 2021, an increase in financing from 2020. The report states that since the signature of the Paris Agreement 2015, they have lent or underwritten nearly US\$700 billion to the sector. In April 2022, an article from the National Observer (https://bit.ly/3ZsEGpa) has also highlighted the inconsistencies of these five major Canadian banks. Indeed, they continue to finance new fossil fuel extraction projects while being signatories to the Net-Zero Banking Alliance and to the Glasgow Financial Alliance for Net-Zero, which commit them to align their financing with net zero emissions by 2050. Thus, while banks have made commitments and adopted measures to reduce their carbon footprint and have improved their carbon disclosure, we find that their financing of fossil fuels remains high, which could cast doubt on their ability to meet their climate and environmental goals, such as achieving net zero emissions by 2050 for their financing activities. This proposal therefore presents an opportunity for shareholders to judge the company's environmental and climate change objectives and action plan, as well as to assess its progress, since this consultative vote would be annual. In addition, given the many climate change-related risks to which companies are exposed, including financial, legal, regulatory, operational, and reputational risks, it would be beneficial to engage stakeholders, and particularly shareholders, in dialogue regarding the company's environmental and climate policy. Therefore, we believe that support for the proposal would be appropriate and that the proposal is indeed in the best interests of shareholders. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

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ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Humana Inc. (HUM)	2023-04-20,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
United States	2023-02-18
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 444859102

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.2	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	1900

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Raquel C. Bono	/	<b>~</b>
01.02	Elect Bruce Broussard	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.03	Elect Frank A. D'Amelio	~	×
01.04	Elect David T. Feinberg	~	<b>~</b>
01.05	Elect Wayne A.I. Frederick	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.06	Elect John W. Garratt	~	<b>~</b>
01.07	Elect Kurt J. Hilzinger	<b>~</b>	×
01.08	Elect Karen W. Katz	<b>/</b>	×
01.09	Elect Marcy S. Klevorn	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.10	Elect William J. McDonald	<b>~</b>	×
01.11	Elect Jorge S. Mesquita	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.12	Elect Brad D. Smith	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
02	Ratification of Auditor	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
03	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×
04	Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1

ITEM 01.01 BOARD POLICY

Elect Raquel C. Bo
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Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.02

BOARD POLICY

Flect Bruce Broussard

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Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently the chief executive officer of the firm. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.03

BOARD P

POLICY

Elect Frank A. D'Amelio

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**Proposer:** Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on these committees. He has been on the board for over 10 years. He is a member of the nominating committee and sits on a board of directors with less than 30% women. Because of his position, we consider him to be responsible for this lack of diversity within the board. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.04	BOARD	POLICY
Elect David T. Feinberg	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.05	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Wayne A.I. Frederick	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no rominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.06	BOARD	POLICY
Elect John W. Garratt	<b>~</b>	~
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no rominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.07	BOARD	POLICY



Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the policy. He has been on the board for over 10 years. This nominee, who is not independent, is also Chairman, which goes against policy. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.08 BOARD POLICY

Elect Karen W. Katz

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. She is a member of the nominating committee and sits on a board of directors with less than 30% women. Because of her position, we consider her to be responsible for this lack of diversity within the board. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.09 BOARD POLICY

Elect Marcy S. Klevorn

Proposer: Board

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The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

	Vote recorded
ITEM 01.10	BOARD POLICY
Elect William J. McDonald	✓ ×
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomi Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the poli has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 01.11	BOARD POLICY
Elect Jorge S. Mesquita	
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomi Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 01.12	BOARD POLICY
Elect Brad D. Smith	
Proposer: Board	1 1

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

	• Vote red	corded
ITEM 02	BOARD	POLICY
Ratification of Auditor	~	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirm the proposal was recorded.	ed. A vote	in favour of
	• Vote red	corded
ITEM 03	BOARD	POLICY
Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	~	×
Proposer: Board		
A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. The global share-dilution rate is over 10%. S 2 times the executive's salary. The CEO was paid more than 200 times the average pay of Americans. Large pay disparities contribute to increa societies, which are less sustainable, less inclusive, and less productive. This is not good for the company or its stakeholders in the long term. A proposal was recorded.	singly uned	qual
	• Vote red	corded
ITEM 04	BOARD	POLICY
Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1
Proposer: Board		
The proposal aims to set, in a non-restrictive manner, the frequency that shareholder will have the opportunity to approve an executive comperelevant to allow shareholders a yearly opportunity to voice their concerns. A yearly frequency is in the shareholders' interest and has been se	-	

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### **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Toronto-Dominion Bank (TD)	2023-04-20,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
Canada	2023-02-21
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE	SECURITIES
Annual	891160509

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-00001002.1	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI CAD	60400
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ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Cherie L. Brant	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
01.02	Elect Amy W. Brinkley	<b>✓</b>	Ш
01.03	Elect Brian C. Ferguson	<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>
01.04	Elect Colleen A. Goggins	<b>✓</b>	Ш
01.05	Elect David E. Kepler	<b>✓</b>	Ш
01.06	Elect Brian M. Levitt	<b>✓</b>	П
01.07	Elect Alan N. MacGibbon	<b>✓</b>	П
01.08	Elect Karen E. Maidment	<b>✓</b>	П
01.09	Elect Bharat B. Masrani	<b>✓</b>	П
01.10	Elect Claude Mongeau	<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>
01.11	Elect S. Jane Rowe	<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>
01.12	Elect Nancy G. Tower	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
01.13	Elect Ajay K. Virmani	<b>✓</b>	П
01.14	Elect Mary A. Winston	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
02	Appointment of Ernst and Young as Auditor	×	<b>✓</b>
03	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	×	×
04	Shareholder proposal requesting that the company disclose how it assesses and mitigates human rights risk in its business relationships with clients who own multi-family residential properties in Canada.	×	<b>~</b>

05	Shareholder proposal asking that the company amend its Policy Guidelines for Sensitive Sectors and Activities so that when it plays an merger and acquisition advisory or direct lending role on brown-spinning transactions, it will take reasonable steps to have parties to such transactions takes steps and make disclosures consistent with the TCFD.	×	~
06	Shareholder proposal requesting that the bank have an annual advisory vote on the company's environmental and climate change objectives and action plan.	×	<b>~</b>
07	Shareholder proposal requesting that the bank commit to continue investing in Canada's oil and gas sector.	×	×
08	Shareholder proposal asking that the board undertake a review of executive compensation levels in relation to the entire workforce and, at reasonable cost and omitting proprietary information, publicly disclose the CEO compensation to median worker pay ratio on an annual basis.	×	~
09	Shareholder proposal requesting that the company disclose a transition plan outlining how it intends to reconcile its financing activities with its 2030 sectoral emissions reduction targets, including the specific actions and policies to be implemented, the reductions to be achieved by those planned actions and policies, and the timelines for implementation and associated emissions reductions.	×	<b>✓</b>

#### **PROXY ANALYSIS**

ITEM 01.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Cherie L. Brant	<b>~</b>	~

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.02

BOARD POLICY

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**Proposer:** Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on these committees. She has been on the board for over 10 years. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not

in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.03 BOARD Elect Brian C. Ferguson Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.04 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Colleen A. Goggins Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the policy. She has been on the board for over 10 years. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.05 **BOARD** POLICY Elect David E. Kepler Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the

Compensation Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded **BOARD** ITEM 01.06 POLICY Elect Brian M. Levitt Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on these committees. He has been on the board for over 10 years. He is the Chairman of another company and sits on a total of more than two boards. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. This nominee, who is not independent, is also Chairman, which goes against policy. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.07 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Alan N. MacGibbon Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.08 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Karen E. Maidment Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on these committees. She has been on the board for over 10 years. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

ITEM 01.09	BOARD POLICY
Elect Bharat B. Masrani	✓   II
Proposer: Board	1 1
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. Vecompensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independently the chief executive officer of the firm. He is the CEO of this company and sits on more than one board. The and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. In the absence of the option against, and	pendent according to the company. He is e number of boards on which he sits is too high abstention for the candidate was recorded.
ITEM 01.10	BOARD POLICY
Elect Claude Mongeau	
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. Vecompensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.	
ITEM 01.11	BOARD POLICY
Elect S. Jane Rowe	
Proposer: Board	I I

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nominatio Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.12	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Nancy G. Tower	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board	'	'
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.13	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Ajay K. Virmani	<b>~</b>	п
Proposer: Board	'	•
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy Cargojet and sits on more than one board. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately se interest. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.	. He is the C	CEO of
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.14	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Mary A. Winston	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board	1	ı

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nominat Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policoppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	Vote recorded	
ITEM 02	BOARD	POLICY
Appointment of Ernst and Young as Auditor	×	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirm the proposal was recorded.	ned. A vote	in favour of
	<ul><li>Vote recorded</li></ul>	
ITEM 03	BOARD	POLICY
Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	×	×
Proposer: Board		
A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. Compensation includes a share-option pla of the policy criteria. The share-dilution rate is over 5%. Stock appreciation rights are included in the plan. This type of grant is akin to phanto interests are not aligned with those of shareholders because the risk of holding shares is not real. A vote against the proposal was recorded.		
	Vote recorded	
ITEM 04	BOARD	POLICY
Shareholder proposal requesting that the company disclose how it assesses and mitigates human rights risk in its business relationships with clients who own multi-family residential properties in Canada.	×	<b>~</b>
Proposer: British Columbia General Employees' Union (BCGEU)		

Conflict of interest statement: GIR wishes to inform you that it has a business relationship with the proponent of this proposal. In any case, we believe that this relationship affects our judgment and our ability to apply the criteria of your policy. If you have any questions regarding this statement, please do not hesitate to contact us. Companies directly or indirectly related to recognized human rights violations are exposed to financial, legal, operational, and reputational risks, and even to boycott and disinvestment. In order to mitigate these risks and to fulfill their responsibilities under the United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, companies must, in particular, exercise human rights due diligence in order to effectively identify, assess, prevent and mitigate actual and potential negative impacts on these rights that they may have or to which they may contribute through their activities, products, and services or business relationships. The right to adequate housing is a human right recognized by the United Nations. In 2022, Canada appointed a Federal Housing Advocate (FHA) to promote and protect this right. It looked at the financialization of housing, which is described as "growing dominance of financial actors in the housing sector, which is transforming the primary function of housing from a place to live into a financial asset and tool for investor profit". According to research conducted by the FHA Office, "an estimated 340,000 suites are owned by the largest financial firms in Canada, and institutions are estimated to hold 20-30 percent of purpose-built multi-family rental housing nationwide". These studies show that financialization leads to "significant consequences for the affordability, security of tenure, and habitable conditions of rental housing for tenants. It is associated with elevated risks of illness and death for seniors and people with disabilities in long-term care facilities". In addition, they reveal that "housing inequality is disproportionately experienced by people who are Indigenous, racialized, disabled, and newcomers to Canada, as well as those with low or fixed incomes". They finally note that "financial firms strategically pursue unit 'turnovers' to capitalize on allowable rent increases between tenancies" and that "researchers in the US have found that financial operators use eviction as a revenue-generating tool, and that they evict tenants at higher rates than other types of owners". To restore housing as a social good, the FHA recommends, among other things, that the federal government "regulate banks to prevent lending to firms that profit from rent increases, displacement, and the violation of the right to adequate housing." In this context, we believe it is reasonable and appropriate for TD to provide more information about its human rights due diligence process for identifying, assessing and mitigating human rights risks related to the financialization of housing in its business relationships. It is in the interest of shareholders that it explain how it ensures that it does not finance clients whose business practices could exacerbate the negative effects of the financialization of housing and undermine the basic right to adequate housing. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 05

Shareholder proposal asking that the company amend its Policy Guidelines for Sensitive Sectors and Activities so that when it plays an merger and acquisition advisory or direct lending role on brown-spinning transactions, it will take reasonable steps to have parties to such transactions takes steps and make disclosures consistent with the TCFD.

**Proposer:** British Columbia General Employees' Union (BCGEU)

Conflict of interest statement: GIR wishes to inform you that it has a business relationship with the proponent of this proposal. In no way do we believe that this relationship impairs our judgment and ability to apply the criteria of your policy. If you have any questions regarding this statement, please do not hesitate to contact us. The term "brown-spinning" refers to the sale of carbon-intensive assets by publicly-traded companies to private firms. This phenomenon was described in a publication of the European Corporate Governance Institute in March 2022 (https://bit.ly/3UiGYWz). These transactions allow financial institutions to improve their carbon footprint, but they do not result in an actual reduction of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions into the atmosphere. Currently, there are no requirements for private companies to disclose and mitigate their climate risks. The proponent therefore requests that TD Bank ensure that the acquirer monitors its climate risks, discloses the annual scope1 and 2 emissions of the acquired assets, and establishes GHG emission reduction targets within a reasonable timeframe after the transaction is completed. The company believes that this proposal is too prescriptive and that its existing policies and procedures already address the issue raised by the proponent. Remember that if a company achieves carbon neutrality on paper, but it has done so while maintaining its actual GHG emissions, then this so-called

carbon neutrality is of little value and will certainly not have contributed to keeping global warming below 1.5°C. In such a scenario, the company would at the very least be exposed to the risks of greenwashing and reputational damage. For these reasons, we believe it is appropriate to support this proposal. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 06

BOARD POLICY

Shareholder proposal requesting that the bank have an annual advisory vote on the company's environmental and climate change objectives and action plan.

Proposer: MÉDAC

According to the 2022 edition of Rainforest Action Network's "Banking on Climate Chaos" report (89mg.short.gy/mUXTcm), RBC, TD Bank, Scotiabank, Bank of Montreal, and CIBC provided more than US\$131 billion to fossil fuel companies over the course of 2021, an increase in financing from 2020. The report states that since the signature of the Paris Agreement 2015, they have lent or underwritten nearly US\$700 billion to the sector. In April 2022, an article from the National Observer (https://bit.ly/3ZsEGpa) has also highlighted the inconsistencies of these five major Canadian banks. Indeed, they continue to finance new fossil fuel extraction projects while being signatories to the Net-Zero Banking Alliance and to the Glasgow Financial Alliance for Net-Zero, which commit them to align their financing with net zero emissions by 2050. Thus, while banks have made commitments and adopted measures to reduce their carbon footprint and have improved their carbon disclosure, we find that their financing of fossil fuels remains high, which could cast doubt on their ability to meet their climate and environmental goals, such as achieving net zero emissions by 2050 for their financing activities. This proposal therefore presents an opportunity for shareholders to judge the company's environmental and climate change objectives and action plan, as well as to assess its progress, since this consultative vote would be annual. In addition, given the many climate change-related risks to which companies are exposed, including financial, legal, regulatory, operational, and reputational risks, it would be beneficial to engage stakeholders, and particularly shareholders, in dialogue regarding the company's environmental and climate policy. Therefore, we believe that support for the proposal would be appropriate and that the proposal is indeed in the best interests of shareholders. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

**ITEM 07** 

POLICY

Shareholder proposal requesting that the bank commit to continue investing in Canada's oil and gas sector.

**Proposer:** InvestNow Inc. / Gina Pappano

Issues related to sustainable development, such as climate change, are important for companies. The company aims to support the interests of its customers while maintaining its climate ambitions. The proponent accuses it of underinvesting in the Canadian oil and gas sector. In particular, it criticizes management for failing to meet the energy and economic needs of the population and consumers, stating that "the lack of investment in Canada means more investment in oil and gas sector development in other parts of the world with poorer environmental performance, poorer corporate governance, and serious human rights' infringements." He thus takes on a climate-skeptic stance that addresses the company's environmental objectives, including that of achieving carbon neutrality by 2050 in order to avoid an unprecedented climate disaster, which will have a catastrophic social and economic impact. The proponent, an outspoken advocate for investment in Canada's oil and gas sector, runs counter to the transition to a carbon-neutral world and ignores the many significant climate change-related risks facing companies, including financial, legal, regulatory, operational, and reputational risks. Accordingly, we do not believe that support for the proposal is appropriate and that the proposal is in the best interests of shareholders. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 08 BOARD POLICY

Shareholder proposal asking that the board undertake a review of executive compensation levels in relation to the entire workforce and, at reasonable cost and omitting proprietary information, publicly disclose the CEO compensation to median worker pay ratio on an annual basis.





**Proposer:** Vancity Investment Management Ltd / IA Clarington

Conflict of interest statement: GIR wishes to inform you that it has a business relationship with the proponent of this proposal. In no way do we believe that this relationship impairs our judgment and ability to apply the criteria of your policy. If you have any questions regarding this statement, please do not hesitate to contact us. The proponent notes that the compensation earned by CEOs in the United States has increased by 1,322% since 1978. This far exceeds the 817% increase in the overall value of the S&P index and the 18% increase in average worker compensation. The ratio of CEO to worker compensation in the U.S. has increased from 31 fold in 1978 to 351 fold in 2020. Canada is following the same trend, albeit somewhat less steeply: CEO compensation within the 100 largest companies listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange was 202 times that of the average worker's salary in 2020. The CEO's compensation has increased by 43% from 2020 to 2022. As Statistics Canada points out in its report, "The Evolution of Canadian Wages over the Last Three Decades," the widening gap between executive and worker pay is an indicator and contributor to rising wage inequality in North America. However, inequalities have a cost for society. Indeed, their increase translates into unemployment and its consequences, debt and poverty, or poorer health. Each of these phenomena calls for public spending that could be reduced if not totally eradicated. However, TD believes that a vertical analysis of its compensation and disclosure of the ratio of CEO-to-employee compensation would not be beneficial or improve its practices. Note that this proposal has also been submitted to CIBC and RBC. Scotiabank discloses its compensation ratio, which is 1 to 143. We want to point out that this proposal allows shareholders to measure the gap between executive compensation, which is often excessive, and that of employees. It also allows a quick comparison with peers. In addition, the ratio can provide an assessment of the company's relative perform

Vote recorded

ITEM 09 BOARD POLICY

Shareholder proposal requesting that the company disclose a transition plan outlining how it intends to reconcile its financing activities with its 2030 sectoral emissions reduction targets, including the specific actions and policies to be implemented, the reductions to be achieved by those planned actions and policies, and the timelines for implementation and associated emissions reductions.





**Proposer:** Vancity / IA Clarington / Investors for Paris Compliance

Conflict of interest statement: GIR wishes to inform you that it has a business relationship with the proponent of this proposal. In no way do we believe that this relationship impairs our judgment and ability to apply the criteria of your policy. If you have any questions regarding this statement, please do not hesitate to contact us. The proponent states that TD's 2023 carbon intensity reduction targets are not aligned with its 2050 absolute reduction target. The company says it continues to integrate climate risk into its risk management framework, but does not specify whether and how this relates to meeting its reduction targets. Most other Canadian banks are disclosing more specifically how they will achieve net zero emissions, including absolute targets for 2030, reductions in fossil fuel financing, and disclosure of client assessment and progress towards net-zero emissions. A recent study concluded that TD has the highest funded emissions of any Canadian bank. The company has not yet adopted a policy to gradually reduce its exposure to fossil fuels and is still involved in financing fossil fuel expansion projects. Studies by Rystad Energy, the International Energy Agency, and the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) have shown that in order to achieve the goals of the Paris Agreement, any new coal mining or fossil fuel exploration projects must be buried. A study published in the journal Nature in September 2021, also established that to allow a 50% probability of limiting warming below 1.5° C, 60% of oil and gas reserves and 90% of coal reserves will have to remain underground, while oil and gas production will have to decrease by 3% every year across the world until 2050. Yet, the 2022 edition of the "Banking on Climate Chaos" report shows that TD Bank was the 11th largest funder of fossil fuel projects in the world, having provided more than \$140 billion in lending and underwriting activity to fossil fuel companies between 2016 and 2021. In March 2023, the Office of the Superintendent of Financial Institutions issued a climate risk management guideline that clarifies its financial reporting expectations and sets capital and liquidity requirements. In addition, several banks have already committed to phasing out the financing of fossil fuel projects (Swiss Re, Generali, La Banque Postale, and Crédit Mutuel). As the most recent IPCC work indicates, time is running out as we are behind the ideal targets for achieving carbon neutrality. Redirecting this funding to other measures (climate change adaptation, energy efficiency, GHG capture, etc.) seems more appropriate than the plan designed by the bank. For these reasons, we consider that this proposal should be adopted. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

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ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Prysmian SPA (PRY)	2023-04-19,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
Italy	2023-04-06
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE	SECURITIES
Annual	T7630L105

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.9	Genus Encasa - N1-000001002.9	33400

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01	Approval of the financial statements	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
02	Allocation of the net profit for the year and distribution of dividend	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
03	Grant of authority to the Board of Directors to buy back and dispose of treasury shares	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
04	Incentive plan	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
05	Approval of the remuneration policy of Prysmian Group	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
06	Advisory vote on the compensation paid in 2022	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
07	Proposal for a free share capital increase	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>

### **PROXY ANALYSIS**

ITEM 01	BOARD	POLICY
Approval of the financial statements	<b>/</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
We observe that more than 75% of the fees paid to the auditing firm that prepared the financial statements were for auditing services. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.		
	<ul><li>Vote red</li></ul>	orded
ITEM 02	BOARD	POLICY
Allocation of the net profit for the year and distribution of dividend	<b>/</b>	<b>~</b>

Proposer: Board

It is the responsibility of the Board to make recommendations on the distribution of profits. Further, the distribution of a common dividend is in the interest of shareholders. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded. Vote recorded **ITEM 03 BOARD POLICY** Grant of authority to the Board of Directors to buy back and dispose of treasury shares **Proposer:** Board It is the Board of Directors' responsibility to make recommendations on the buyback of some of its shares or share categories based on an analysis of the company's needs and strategic opportunities. Repurchased shares will not represent more than 10% of outstanding shares. This buyback has a well-structured timeline and the price is reasonably limited. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 04 **BOARD** POLICY Incentive plan Proposer: Board A complete analysis of the executives' share-option plan shows that it meets all the policy criteria. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 05 **BOARD** POLICY Approval of the remuneration policy of Prysmian Group Proposer: Board

A complete analysis of the compensation policy shows that it meets all of the policy criteria. Compensation is based on company performance. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

		orded
TEM 06	BOARD	POLICY
Advisory vote on the compensation paid in 2022	<b>~</b>	~
Proposer: Board		
A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it meets all of the policy criteria. Compensation is based on company performance. A proposal was recorded.	\ vote in fav	our of the
	<ul> <li>Vote rec</li> </ul>	orded
TEM 07	BOARD	POLICY
Proposal for a free share capital increase	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
This proposal requests the authorization to increase the number of shares reserved in the stock-based compensation plan. It is the Board's resecommendations on the increase of capital shares based on a needs analysis and strategic opportunities. This general authorization is routine annual assembly. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.		
	- Vote rec	orded

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#### **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Lincoln Electric Holdings Inc. (LECO)	2023-04-19,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
United States	2023-02-28
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 533900106

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.2	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	12200

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Brian D. Chambers	~	Ш
01.02	Elect Curtis E. Espeland	~	Ш
01.03	Elect Patrick P. Goris	~	Ш
01.04	Elect Michael F. Hilton	~	Ш
01.05	Elect Kathryn Jo Lincoln	~	п
01.06	Elect Christopher L. Mapes	~	Ш
01.07	Elect Phillip J. Mason	~	II
01.08	Elect Ben Patel	~	Ш
01.09	Elect Hellene S. Runtagh	<b>~</b>	II
01.10	Elect Kellye L. Walker	<b>~</b>	II
02	Ratification of Auditor	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
03	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×
04	Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1
05	Approval of the 2023 Equity and Incentive Compensation Plan	~	×
06	Approval of the 2023 Stock Plan for Non-Employee Directors	<b>~</b>	×

ITEM 01.01 BOARD POLICY

Elect Brian D. Chambers	<b>~</b>   <b>II</b>	
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of the independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is the of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve sharfor the candidate was recorded.	CEO of Owens Corning and sits on more than one board. The numb	
ITEM 01.02	BOARD POLICY	Y
Elect Curtis E. Espeland	✓   II	
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of the independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.		ln
ITEM 01.03	BOARD POLICY	Y
Elect Patrick P. Goris	<b>/</b>   II	
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The CEO is also chair of the board. This arrangement creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

Elect Michael F. Hilton

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The CEO is also chair of the board. This arrangement creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.05

BOARD POLICY

Elect Kathryn Jo Lincoln

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Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee and the Nomination Committee. She has been on the board for over 10 years. The CEO is also chair of the board. This arrangement creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.06

BOARD POLICY

Elect Christopher L. Mapes

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is the CEO of this company and sits on more than two board. The

number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. This nominee is both which goes against the policy. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.	CEO and C	hairman,
	Vote recorded	
ITEM 01.07	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Phillip J. Mason	<b>~</b>	Ш
Proposer: Board		-
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusi independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee. He has been on years. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.		
	Vote recorded	
ITEM 01.08	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Ben Patel	<b>~</b>	Ш
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusi independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The CEO is also chair of the board. This arrangement creating interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's gover will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. In the absence of the option against, an abcandidate was recorded.	ates potent nance, incl	ial conflicts uding who
	• Vote rec	corded
ITEM 01.09	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Hellene S. Runtagh	<b>~</b>	ш
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee and the Nomination Committee. She has been on the board for over 10 years. The CEO is also chair of the board. This arrangement creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded ITEM 01.10 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Kellye L. Walker Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The CEO is also chair of the board. This arrangement creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 02 **BOARD** POLICY Ratification of Auditor Proposer: Board More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirmed. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded. Vote recorded **ITEM 03 BOARD** POLICY Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation

Proposer: Board

A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. The compensation committee does not disclose the performance criteria targets of its incentive plans. This makes it impossible for shareholders to understand how the company determined the amounts the executives were paid. This is not adequate disclosure. Severance pay exceeds 2 times the executive's salary. A vote against the proposal was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 04 BOARD POLICY Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation Proposer: Board The proposal aims to set, in a non-restrictive manner, the frequency that shareholder will have the opportunity to approve an executive compensation program. It is relevant to allow shareholders a yearly opportunity to voice their concerns. A yearly frequency is in the shareholders' interest and has been selected. Vote recorded ITEM 05 **BOARD** POLICY Approval of the 2023 Equity and Incentive Compensation Plan Proposer: Board The proposed share-based compensation plan does not meet all of the policy criteria. The plan makes provisions for share grants to company consultants, suppliers, or contractual employees. Stock appreciation rights are akin to phantom stock. This type of grant does not align Management's interests those of shareholders because the risk of holding shares is not real. A vote against the proposal was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 06 BOARD POLICY Approval of the 2023 Stock Plan for Non-Employee Directors Proposer: Board

The proposed share-based compensation plan does not meet all of the policy criteria	a. The policy is opposed to the use of share-option-based compensation plans for
directors. A vote against the proposal was recorded.	

Vote recorded

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ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Moncler SpA (BIT:MONC)	2023-04-18,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
Italy	2023-04-05
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE	SECURITIES
Annual	T6730E110

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.9	Genus Encasa - N1-000001002.9	30600

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01	Accounts and Reports	~	<b>✓</b>
02	Allocation of Profits/Dividends	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
03	Remuneration Policy	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
04	Authority to Repurchase and Reissue Shares	<b>~</b>	×
05.01	Appointment of three Statutory Auditors and two Alternate Auditors List (Presented By Double R S.R.L)	<b>~</b>	×
05.02	Appointment of three Statutory Auditors and two Alternate Auditors List (Presented By A Group Of Institutional Investors)	<b>~</b>	×
06	Appointment of the Chairman of the Board of Statutory Auditors	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
07	Determination of the annual compensation of the members of the Board of Statutory Auditors	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>

#### **PROXY ANALYSIS**

ITEM 01	BOARD	POLICY
Accounts and Reports	<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		

We observe that more than 75% of the fees paid to the auditing firm that prepared the financial statements were for auditing services. The auditing firm that reviewed them is independent. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 02

Allocation of Profits/Dividends

BOARD POLICY

Proposer: Board

It is the responsibility of the Board to make recommendations on the distribution of profits. Further, the distribution of a common dividend is in shareholders. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.	n the intere	st of
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 03	BOARD	POLICY
Remuneration Policy	<b>✓</b>	~
Proposer: Board		•
A complete analysis of the compensation policy shows that it meets all of the policy criteria. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.		
	<ul> <li>Vote recorded</li> </ul>	
ITEM 04	BOARD	POLICY
Authority to Repurchase and Reissue Shares	<b>✓</b>	×
Proposer: Board	·	•
It is the Board of Directors' responsibility to make recommendations on the allotment of some of its share or share categories based on an anal needs and strategic opportunities. The company does not provide enough information to allow an assessment of the impact of the amendment and interests. A vote against the proposal was recorded, because the information required to do a proper analysis was not provided.		
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 05.01	BOARD	POLICY
Appointment of three Statutory Auditors and two Alternate Auditors List (Presented By Double R S.R.L)	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the Board of Corporate Auditors is not exclusively made up of independent members. All the nominees are deemed independent according to the company. Some of the nominees have been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the proposal was

recorded.		
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 05.02	BOARD	POLICY
Appointment of three Statutory Auditors and two Alternate Auditors List (Presented By A Group Of Institutional Investors)	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		'
The information disclosed in the proxy statement is not sufficient to allow an assessment of the nominees' independence and competence. A very proposal was recorded, because the information required to do a proper analysis was not provided.	ote against	the
	<ul><li>Vote recorded</li></ul>	
ITEM 06	BOARD	POLICY
Appointment of the Chairman of the Board of Statutory Auditors	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the Board of Corporate Auditors is not exclusively made up of independent me is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was reco		s nominee
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 07	BOARD	POLICY
Determination of the annual compensation of the members of the Board of Statutory Auditors	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		•
The directors' compensation meets the policy criteria. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.		
	• Vote rec	orded

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ISSUER	MEETING DATE
U.S. Bancorp (USB)	2023-04-18,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
United States	2023-02-21
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 902973304

### POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.2	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	22400

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Warner L. Baxter	<b>~</b>	×
01.02	Elect Dorothy J. Bridges	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.03	Elect Elizabeth L. Buse	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.04	Elect Andrew Cecere	~	×
01.05	Elect Alan B. Colberg	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.06	Elect Kimberly N. Ellison-Taylor	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.07	Elect Kimberly J. Harris	<b>~</b>	×
01.08	Elect Roland A. Hernandez	<b>~</b>	×
01.09	Elect Richard P. McKenney	<b>~</b>	×
01.10	Elect Yusuf I. Mehdi	<b>~</b>	~
01.11	Elect Loretta E. Reynolds	<b>~</b>	~
01.12	Elect John P. Wiehoff	<b>~</b>	~
01.13	Elect Scott W. Wine	<b>~</b>	×
02	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×
03	Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1
04	Ratification of Auditor	<b>~</b>	~

ITEM 01.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Warner L. Baxter	~	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Commade up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is the CEO of Ameren Corporation and sit board. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. A vote against recorded.	ts on more t	han one
	<ul> <li>Vote rec</li> </ul>	orded
ITEM 01.02	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Dorothy J. Bridges	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board	ı	I
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Commade up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	<ul> <li>Vote rec</li> </ul>	orded
ITEM 01.03	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Elizabeth L. Buse	<b>~</b>	~
Proposer: Board	1	I
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Commade up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's efavour of the candidate was recorded.		-
	<ul> <li>Vote rec</li> </ul>	orded

ITEM 01.04	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Andrew Cecere	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board	,	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Commade up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. This nominee is both CEO and Chaithe policy. A vote against the candidate was recorded.		
	- Vote red	corded
ITEM 01.05	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Alan B. Colberg	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board	•	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Commade up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this first-time vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	- Vote rec	corded
ITEM 01.06	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Kimberly N. Ellison-Taylor	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Commade up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	- Vote red	corded
ITEM 01.07	BOARD	POLICY





Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The CEO is also chair of the board. This arrangement creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

**BOARD** 

ITEM 01.08

Elect Roland A. Hernandez



Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on this committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. The CEO is also chair of the board. This arrangement creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.09

BOARD

**POLICY** 

Elect Richard P. McKenney

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Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The CEO is also chair of the board. This arrangement creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. He is the CEO of another company

and sits on more than one board. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shar vote against the candidate was recorded.	eholder inte	erest. A	
		Vote recorded	
ITEM 01.10	BOARD	POLICY	
Elect Yusuf I. Mehdi	<b>/</b>	/	
Proposer: Board			
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Commade up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's favour of the candidate was recorded.			
ITEM 01.11	BOARD	POLICY	
Elect Loretta E. Reynolds	<b>/</b>	<b>/</b>	
Proposer: Board			
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Commade up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's favour of the candidate was recorded.			
	Vote rec	corded	
ITEM 01.12	BOARD	POLICY	
Elect John P. Wiehoff	<b>/</b>	/	
Proposer: Board			

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee is not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in

favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	<ul><li>Vote recorded</li></ul>	
ITEM 01.13	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Scott W. Wine	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Commitmed up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is CEO of CNH Industrial N.V. and sits on to Committee, which goes against the policy. A vote against the candidate was recorded.		
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 02	BOARD	POLICY
Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>/</b>	×
Proposer: Board		
A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. Too little of the executives' incentive bonus performance. This limits the effectiveness of the bonus as an incentive to do a good job, because executives will get some part of the bonus ever poorly. The CEO was paid more than 200 times the average pay of Americans. Large pay disparities contribute to increasingly unequal societies sustainable, less inclusive, and less productive. This is not good for the company or its stakeholders in the long term. A vote against the propositions of the company or its stakeholders in the long term.	en if they pe es, which are	erform e less
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 03	BOARD	POLICY
Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1

The proposal aims to set, in a non-restrictive manner, the frequency that shareholder will have the opportunity to approve an executive compensation program. It is relevant to allow shareholders a yearly opportunity to voice their concerns. A yearly frequency is in the shareholders' interest and has been selected.

Proposer: Board

	<ul> <li>Vote recorded</li> </ul>	
ITEM 04	BOARD	POLIC
Ratification of Auditor	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		

More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirmed. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

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ISSUER	MEETING DATE	
Bank of Montreal (BMO)	2023-04-18,	
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE	
Canada	2023-02-17	
MEETING LOCATION		
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 063671101/063671762	

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-00001002.1	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI CAD	24893

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Janice M. Babiak	<b>~</b>	Ш
01.02	Elect Sophie Brochu	<b>~</b>	II
01.03	Elect Craig W. Broderick	<b>~</b>	Ш
01.04	Elect George A. Cope	<b>~</b>	II
01.05	Elect Stephen Dent	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
01.06	Elect Christine A. Edwards	<b>~</b>	II
01.07	Elect Martin S. Eichenbaum	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
01.08	Elect David Harquail	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.09	Elect Linda S. Huber	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
01.10	Elect Eric R. La Flèche	<b>~</b>	11
01.11	Elect Lorraine Mitchelmore	<b>~</b>	H
01.12	Elect Madhu Ranganathan	<b>~</b>	II
01.13	Elect Darryl White	<b>~</b>	II
02	Appointment of KPMG as Auditor	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
03	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×
04.01	Shareholder proposal asking that the bank implement an advisory vote on environmental policies.	×	<b>✓</b>
04.02	Shareholder proposal requesting that the bank commit to continue investing in Canada's oil and gas sector.	×	×

Shareholder proposal requesting that the company carry out and publish an independent audit on racial equity in order to analyze its negative impacts on non-white stakeholders and communities of colour.





#### **PROXY ANALYSIS**

Elect Janice M. Babiak

BOARD POLICY

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Audit Committee and the Nomination Committee. She has been on the board for over 10 years. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

ITEM 01.02

BOARD POLICY

Elect Sophie Brochu

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee and the Nomination Committee. She has been on the board for over 10 years. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.03 BOARD POLICY

Elect Craig W. Broderick



#### Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

BOARD POLICY

Elect George A. Cope

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee and the Nomination Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. This nominee, who is not independent, is also Chairman, which goes against policy. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

ITEM 01.05

BOARD POLICY

Elect Stephen Dent

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.06 BOARD POLICY

#### Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee and the Nomination Committee. She has been on the board for over 10 years. The chair of the board is not independent. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.07

BOARD POLICY

Elect Martin S. Eichenbaum

#### Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.08 BOARD POLICY

Elect David Harquail

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Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.09 BOARD POLICY

including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. In the absence of the option against, an

Vote recorded

abstention for the candidate was recorded.

ITEM 01.12	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Madhu Ranganathan	<b>~</b>	Ш
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is excluindependent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. She is the CFO of OpenText and sits on more than one boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. In the absence of the option at the candidate was recorded.	board. The nu	umber of
	- Vote red	corded
ITEM 01.13	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Darryl White	<b>/</b>	ш
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is excluindependent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently the chief executive officer of the the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.		
	- Vote red	corded
ITEM 02	BOARD	POLICY
Appointment of KPMG as Auditor	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confithe proposal was recorded.	rmed. A vote	in favour of
	- Vote red	corded
ITEM 03	BOARD	POLICY

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Proposer: Board

A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. Compensation includes a share-based compensation plan that does not meet all of the policy criteria. The share-dilution rate is over 5%. Stock appreciation rights are included in the plan. This type of grant is akin to phantom stock. Management's interests are not aligned with those of shareholders because the risk of holding shares is not real. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 04.01 BOARD POLICY

Shareholder proposal asking that the bank implement an advisory vote on environmental policies.

X



Proposer: MÉDAC

According to the 2022 edition of Rainforest Action Network's "Banking on Climate Chaos" report (89mq.short.gy/mUXTcm), RBC, TD Bank, Scotiabank, Bank of Montreal, and CIBC provided more than US\$131 billion to fossil fuel companies over the course of 2021, an increase in financing from 2020. The report states that since the signature of the Paris Agreement 2015, they have lent or underwritten nearly US\$700 billion to the sector. In April 2022, an article from the National Observer (https://bit.ly/3ZsEGpa) has also highlighted the inconsistencies of these five major Canadian banks. Indeed, they continue to finance new fossil fuel extraction projects while being signatories to the Net-Zero Banking Alliance and to the Glasgow Financial Alliance for Net-Zero, which commit them to align their financing with net zero emissions by 2050. Thus, while banks have made commitments and adopted measures to reduce their carbon footprint and have improved their carbon disclosure, we find that their financing of fossil fuels remains high, which could cast doubt on their ability to meet their climate and environmental goals, such as achieving net zero emissions by 2050 for their financing activities. This proposal therefore presents an opportunity for shareholders to judge the company's environmental and climate change objectives and action plan, as well as to assess its progress, since this consultative vote would be annual. In addition, given the many climate change-related risks to which companies are exposed, including financial, legal, regulatory, operational, and reputational risks, it would be beneficial to engage stakeholders, and particularly shareholders, in dialogue regarding the company's environmental and climate policy. Therefore, we believe that support for the proposal would be appropriate and that the proposal is indeed in the best interests of shareholders. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 04.02 BOARD POLICY

Shareholder proposal requesting that the bank commit to continue investing in Canada's oil and gas sector.

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X

Proposer: InvestNow/Gina Pappano

Issues related to sustainable development, such as climate change, are important for companies. The company aims to support the interests of its customers while maintaining its climate ambitions. The proponent accuses it of underinvesting in the Canadian oil and gas sector. In particular, it criticizes management for failing to meet the energy and economic needs of the population and consumers, stating that "the lack of investment in Canada means more investment in oil and gas sector development in other parts of the world with poorer environmental performance, poorer corporate governance, and serious human rights' infringements." He thus takes on a climate-skeptic stance that addresses the company's environmental objectives, including that of achieving carbon neutrality by 2050 in order to avoid an unprecedented climate disaster, which will have a catastrophic social and economic impact. The proponent, an outspoken advocate for investment in Canada's oil and gas sector, runs counter to the transition to a carbon-neutral world and ignores the many significant climate change-related risks facing companies, including financial, legal, regulatory, operational, and reputational risks. Accordingly, we do not believe that support for the proposal is appropriate and that the proposal is in the best interests of shareholders. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 04.03 BOARD POLICY

Shareholder proposal requesting that the company carry out and publish an independent audit on racial equity in order to analyze its negative impacts on non-white stakeholders and communities of colour.





**Proposer:** SHARE/Atkinson Foundation/BCGEU

Conflict of interest statement: GIR wishes to inform you that it has a business relationship with the proponent of this proposal. In any case, we believe that this relationship affects our judgment and our ability to apply the criteria of your policy. We remain at your disposal for any questions about this statement. Diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI), as well as racial justice, represent crucial issues for companies. Those who do not respect the principle of employment equity are exposed to financial, legal, operational, reputational, and disinvestment risks. On the contrary, the prevention of discrimination and the creation of an open and diverse work environment, at all levels of the organization, offer many advantages, for example, by providing different perspectives, increasing productivity and employees' morale, eliminating the limitations of group think and reducing risks associated with discrimination. Studies have also shown that diversity has a positive effect on financial performance. It is therefore in the interests of shareholders that companies diligently identify and address inequality issues within their workforces. They must also show fairness to other stakeholders. However, according to a study by the Financial Consumer Agency of Canada on the retail practices of Canada's major banks, customers who identified themselves as visible minorities or Indigenous people were more likely to be recommended inappropriate products, to receive unclear information, and to be offered optional products such as overdraft protection. These findings are of concern because they suggest the existence of discriminatory practices. A recent academic study also found that being unbanked or underbanked has a disproportionate effect on Indigenous people and that access to financial services is an endemic problem in "low-income communities of colour." In 2020, La Presse also revealed that insurers, including banks, were refusing to offer quotes in Indigenous reserves without even analyzing the files. In the case of BMO, we note that it has DEI policies, programs, and that it discloses information in this regard. Nevertheless, BMO has recently been the subject of a high-profile racial equity controversy. In 2019, an incident at a Vancouver branch led to allegations of racial profiling and discrimination against Aboriginal people; an out-of-court settlement was reached in 2022 to resolve these charges. Therefore, we believe it is in the best interest of shareholders for BMO to conduct the requested audit, which would allow RBC to assess whether its practices and policies may negatively impact non-white stakeholders and communities of colour. In sum, it is a matter of due diligence on the part of the company to ensure that it is not unknowingly contributing to systemic racism and, where necessary, to correct problematic practices and policies. This would allow it to proactively identify and mitigate the risk of being associated with a racial equity controversy, which would expose it to significant legal, financial, reputational, and even consumer boycott risks. Finally, the publication of the results of the requested review would allow investors to assess its efforts, as well as the effectiveness and relevance of its racial equity policies and practices, and could reassure various stakeholders, including its clients, in terms of the seriousness and depth of its commitments. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

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### **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER	MEETING DATE	
Vinci SA (DG)	2023-04-13,	
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE	
France	2023-04-10	
MEETING LOCATION		
MEETING TYPE	SECURITIES	
Mix	F5879X108	

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.9	Genus Encasa - N1-000001002.9	10300

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01	To approve the Consolidated Financial Statements.	<b>✓</b>	~
02	To approve the Financial Statements.	<b>✓</b>	~
03	To approve a dividend of EUR 4 per common share.	<b>✓</b>	~
04	To approve the election of the director: Caroline Gregoire Sainte Marie	<b>✓</b>	~
05	To approve the election of the director: Carlos Aguilar	<b>✓</b>	~
06	To approve the election of the director: Annette Messemer	<b>~</b>	~
07	To approve the election of the director: Dominique Muller (Emp Rep)	<b>~</b>	~
08	To approve the election of the director: Agnes Daney De Marcillac (Emp Rep)	<b>✓</b>	~
09	To approve the election of the director: Ronal Kouwenhoven (Emp Rep)	<b>✓</b>	~
10	To authorize to repurchase shares up to 10% of the outstanding shares.	<b>✓</b>	×
11	To approve the directors' compensation.	<b>✓</b>	~
12	Review of the compensation owed or paid to: Xavier Huillard (Policy)	<b>✓</b>	~
13	To approve the report on executive compensation.	<b>✓</b>	~
14	Review of the compensation owed or paid to: Xavier Huillard	<b>✓</b>	~
15	To approve a reduction of capital by cancelling repurchased shares.	<b>✓</b>	~
16	To authorize the increase in share-capital.	<b>~</b>	×
17	To authorize the issuance of shares with pre-emptive rights.	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>

18	To authorize the issuance of shares without pre-emptive rights.	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
19	To authorize the issuance of shares without pre-emptive rights: Private placements	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
20	To renew the authority given to directors to allot shares.	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
21	To authorize the number of authorized shares.	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
22	To authorize the issuance of shares in order to supply the employees' savings plan.	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
23	To authorize the issuance of shares in order to supply the employees' savings plan: International Subsidiaries	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
24	To authorize the issuance of shares in order to supply the employees' savings plan: 1% for Restricted Stock Plans	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
25	To grant the authority required for the execution of the decisions taken by the meeting.	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>

### **PROXY ANALYSIS**

ITEM 01	BOARD	POLICY
To approve the Consolidated Financial Statements.	<b>/</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		•
We observe that more than 75% of the fees paid to the auditing firm that prepared the financial statements were for auditing services. A vote	in favour of	the

We observe that more than 75% of the fees paid to the auditing firm that prepared the financial statements were for auditing services. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 02 BOARD POLICY

To approve the Financial Statements.

Proposer: Board

We observe that more than 75% of the fees paid to the auditing firm that prepared the financial statements were for auditing services. A vote i proposal was recorded.	n favour of	the
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 03	BOARD	POLICY
To approve a dividend of EUR 4 per common share.	<b>✓</b>	~
Proposer: Board		
It is the responsibility of the Board to make recommendations on the distribution of profits. Further, the distribution of a common dividend is in shareholders. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.	ո the intere	st of
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 04	BOARD	POLICY
To approve the election of the director: Caroline Gregoire Sainte Marie	<b>✓</b>	~
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. Because board elections are not allow shareholders to express their opinion on each board member in a yearly vote. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate	nt members	s. This
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 05	BOARD	POLICY
To approve the election of the director: Carlos Aguilar	<b>~</b>	~
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. Because board elections are staggered, this does not allow shareholders to express their opinion on each board member in a yearly vote. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This

nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this first-time nominee's election. A vote in favour of the recorded.	candidate v	was
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 06	BOARD	POLICY
To approve the election of the director: Annette Messemer	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board	-	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. Because board elections are not allow shareholders to express their opinion on each board member in a yearly vote. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this first-time nominee's election. A vote in favour of the recorded.	nt members	. This
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 07	BOARD	POLICY
To approve the election of the director: Dominique Muller (Emp Rep)	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. Because board elections are not allow shareholders to express their opinion on each board member in a yearly vote. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. She is currently an employee representative within the company. There is no renominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.	nt members	. This
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 08	BOARD	POLICY
To approve the election of the director: Agnes Daney De Marcillac (Emp Rep)	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. Because board elections are staggered, this does not allow shareholders to express their opinion on each board member in a yearly vote. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. She is currently an employee representative within the company. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 09 **BOARD** POLICY To approve the election of the director: Ronal Kouwenhoven (Emp Rep) Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. Because board elections are staggered, this does not allow shareholders to express their opinion on each board member in a yearly vote. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently an employee representative within the company. There is no reason to oppose this first-time nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded **ITEM 10 BOARD** POLICY To authorize to repurchase shares up to 10% of the outstanding shares. Proposer: Board It is the Board of Directors' responsibility to make recommendations on the buyback of some of its shares or share categories based on an analysis of the company's needs and strategic opportunities. Repurchased and not cancelled shares represent more than 10% of outstanding shares. The buyback price premium may exceed 10 %, which goes against the policy. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

To approve the directors' compensation.

Vote recorded

BOARD POLICY

✓ ✓

Proposer: Board

The directors' compensation meets the policy criteria. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.	
ITEM 12	BOARD POLICY
Review of the compensation owed or paid to: Xavier Huillard (Policy)	
Proposer: Board	
The compensation package consists of a fixed remuneration, a variable remuneration in performance-based of the policy criteria. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.	shares and benefits in kind. The compensation meets all
ITEM 13	BOARD POLICY
To approve the report on executive compensation.	
Proposer: Board	
A complete analysis of the compensation report shows that it meets all of the policy criteria. Compensation the proposal was recorded.	is based on company performance. A vote in favour of
ITEM 14	BOARD POLICY
Review of the compensation owed or paid to: Xavier Huillard	
Proposer: Board	
The compensation package consists of a fixed remuneration, a variable remuneration in performance-based of the policy criteria. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.	shares and benefits in kind. The compensation meets all
	Vote recorded

ITEM 15	BOARD	POLICY
To approve a reduction of capital by cancelling repurchased shares.	/	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board		
It is the Board's responsibility to make recommendations on the cancellation of some shares or categories of shares, based on a needs analysis opportunities. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.	s and strate;	gic
	- Vote red	corded
ITEM 16	BOARD	POLICY
To authorize the increase in share-capital.	/	×
Proposer: Board		
It is the Board's responsibility to make recommendations on the increase of capital shares based on a needs analysis and strategic opportuniti authorization is routinely requested at each annual assembly. The increase in the number of authorized shares has unspecified characteristics proposal was recorded.	_	
	- Vote red	corded
ITEM 17	BOARD	POLICY
To authorize the issuance of shares with pre-emptive rights.	/	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board		
It is the Board's responsibility to make recommendations on the issuance of specific shares or categories of shares, based on a needs analysis a opportunities. Pre-emptive rights give shareholders priority to subscribe for newly issued shares pro rated according to their previous level of Shareholders exercising their subscription rights prevent the dilution of their participation in the company. The capital issue is acceptable give represent more than 50% of outstanding shares and has a specific timeframe. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.	f participati	ion.
	- Vote red	corded
ITEM 18	BOARD	POLICY

To authorize the issuance of shares without pre-emptive rights.	<b>✓</b>	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board	·	•
It is the Board's responsibility to make recommendations on the issuance of specific shares or categories opportunities. The capital issue is acceptable given that it doesn't represent more than 20% of outstandithe proposal was recorded.		
		ecorded
ITEM 19	BOARD	POLICY
To authorize the issuance of shares without pre-emptive rights : Private placements	<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board	·	•
It is the Board's responsibility to make recommendations on the issuance of specific shares or categories opportunities. The capital issue is acceptable given that it doesn't represent more than 20% of outstandithe proposal was recorded.		
		ecorded
ITEM 20	BOARD	POLICY
To renew the authority given to directors to allot shares.	<b>✓</b>	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board		•
It is the Board of Directors' responsibility to make recommendations on the allotment of some of its shar needs and strategic opportunities. The allotment of securities is acceptable given that it doesn't represent timeframe. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.		
		ecorded
ITEM 21	BOARD	POLICY

To authorize the number of authorized shares.	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board		
It is the Board's responsibility to make recommendations on the increase of capital shares based on a needs analysis and strategic opportunitie authorization is routinely requested at each annual assembly. The increase, without pre-emptive rights, is lower than 20% of outstanding share the proposal was recorded.		
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 22	BOARD	POLICY
To authorize the issuance of shares in order to supply the employees' savings plan.	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
It is the Board's responsibility to make recommendations on the issuance of specific shares or categories of shares, based on a needs analysis a opportunities. The share-based compensation plan meets all of the policy criteria. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.		
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 23	BOARD	POLICY
To authorize the issuance of shares in order to supply the employees' savings plan: International Subsidiaries	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board		
It is the Board's responsibility to make recommendations on the issuance of specific shares or categories of shares, based on a needs analysis a opportunities. The share-based compensation plan meets all of the policy criteria. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.	nd strategio	:
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 24	BOARD	POLICY

#### Proposer: Board

It is the Board's responsibility to make recommendations on the issuance of specific shares or categories of shares, based on a needs analysis and strategic opportunities. The share-based compensation plan meets all of the policy criteria. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

**ITEM 25** 

BOARD POLICY

To grant the authority required for the execution of the decisions taken by the meeting.

Proposer: Board

This is a formality. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

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ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Koninklijke Ahold Delhaize NV (AMS:AD)	2023-04-12,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
Netherlands	2023-03-15
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE	SECURITIES
Annual	N0074E105

## **POLICY: Share - Genus**

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-00001002.9	Genus Encasa - N1-000001002.9	26700

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
04	Accounts and Reports	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
05	Allocation of Dividends	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
06	Remuneration Report	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
07	Ratification of Management Board Acts	<b>~</b>	×
08	Ratification of Supervisory Board Acts	<b>~</b>	×
09	Elect Peter Agnefjäll to the Supervisory Board	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
10	Elect Bill McEwan to the Supervisory Board	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
11	Elect Katherine C. Doyle to the Supervisory Board	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
12	Elect Julia Vander Ploeg to the Supervisory Board	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
13	Elect Frans Muller to the Management Board	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
14	Elect JJ Fleeman to the Management Board	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
15	Appointment of Auditor	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
16	Authority to Issue Shares w/ Preemptive Rights	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
17	Authority to Suppress Preemptive Rights	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
18	Authority to Repurchase Shares	<b>✓</b>	~
19	Cancellation of Shares	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>

TEM 04	BOARD POLICY
Accounts and Reports	<b>/ /</b>
Proposer: Board	
We observe that more than 75% of the fees paid to the auditing firm that prepared the financial statements were for auditin proposal was recorded.	g services. A vote in favour of the
TEM 05	BOARD POLICY
Allocation of Dividends	
Proposer: Board  It is the responsibility of the Board to make recommendations on the distribution of profits. Further, the distribution of a conshareholders. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.	nmon dividend is in the interest of
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It is the responsibility of the Board to make recommendations on the distribution of profits. Further, the distribution of a conshareholders. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.  ITEM 06  Remuneration Report	Vote recorded  BOARD POLICY
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#### Proposer: Board

It goes against the principle of accountability to approve the actions of the Executive Committee an was recorded.	d thereby exempt it from any liability. A vote against the	e proposa
was recorded.		orded
ITEM 08	BOARD	POLICY
Ratification of Supervisory Board Acts		×
Proposer: Board		
It goes against the principle of accountability to approve the actions of the Supervisory Board and t was recorded.	hereby exempt it from any liability. A vote against the pr	roposal
		orded
ITEM 09	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Peter Agnefjäll to the Supervisory Board		<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are indepenshareholders to express their opinion on each board member in a yearly vote. We note that the Nor exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.	nination Committee and the Compensation Committee	are not
		orded
ITEM 10	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Bill McEwan to the Supervisory Board		<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. Because board elections are staggered, this does not allow shareholders to express their opinion on each board member in a yearly vote. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded **ITEM 11 BOARD** POLICY Elect Katherine C. Doyle to the Supervisory Board Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. Because board elections are staggered, this does not allow shareholders to express their opinion on each board member in a yearly vote. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded **ITEM 12 BOARD** POLICY Elect Julia Vander Ploeg to the Supervisory Board Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. Because board elections are staggered, this does not allow shareholders to express their opinion on each board member in a yearly vote. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this first-time nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded **ITEM 13 BOARD** POLICY Elect Frans Muller to the Management Board

Proposer: Board

The election of Executive Committee members is the responsibility of the Supervisory Board. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	Vote rec	corded
ITEM 14	BOARD	POLICY
Elect JJ Fleeman to the Management Board	<b>~</b>	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board		
The election of Executive Committee members is the responsibility of the Supervisory Board. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	Vote red	corded
ITEM 15	BOARD	POLICY
Appointment of Auditor	<b>✓</b>	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board		
KPMG is being asked to replace PricewaterhouseCoopers, following the end of their mandate. The Audit Committee is exclusively made up of members. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirmed. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.	independe	nt
	Vote rec	corded
ITEM 16	BOARD	POLICY
Authority to Issue Shares w/ Preemptive Rights	<b>~</b>	/
Proposer: Board		

It is the Board's responsibility to make recommendations on the issuance of specific shares or categories of shares, based on a needs analysis and strategic opportunities. Pre-emptive rights give shareholders priority to subscribe for newly issued shares pro rated according to their previous level of participation. Shareholders exercising their subscription rights prevent the dilution of their participation in the company. The capital issue is acceptable given that it doesn't

represent more than 50% of outstanding shares and has a specific timeframe. This issuance is justified by adequately disclosed business reasons. the proposal was recorded.	A vote in f	favour of
	Vote reco	rded
ITEM 17	BOARD	POLICY
Authority to Suppress Preemptive Rights	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board	•	
It is the responsibility of the Board to recommend pre-emptive rights for certain shares or share classes, based on an analysis of needs and strategore-emptive rights give shareholders priority to subscribe for newly issued shares pro rated according to their previous level of participation. Share exercising their subscription rights prevent the dilution of their participation in the company. This issuance is justified by adequately disclosed but vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.	areholders	5
	Vote reco	rded
ITEM 18	BOARD	POLICY
Authority to Repurchase Shares	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
It is the Board of Directors' responsibility to make recommendations on the buyback of some of its shares or share categories based on an analysi needs and strategic opportunities. Repurchased shares will not represent more than 10% of outstanding shares. This buyback has a well-structur price is reasonably limited. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.		
	Vote reco	rded
ITEM 19	BOARD	POLICY
Cancellation of Shares	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		

It is the Board's responsibility to make recommendations on the cancellation of some shares or categories of shares, based on a needs analysis and strategic
opportunities. The cancellation of repurchased shares results in a share-capital reduction. This is a way of restoring assets to shareholders when liquidities are
greater than investment needs. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

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### **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Synopsys Inc. (SNPS)	2023-04-12,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
United States	2023-02-13
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE	SECURITIES
Annual	871607107

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.2	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI USD	3900

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Aart J. de Geus	~	×
01.02	Elect Luis A Borgen	~	<b>~</b>
01.03	Elect Marc N. Casper	~	×
01.04	Elect Janice D. Chaffin	~	×
01.05	Elect Bruce R. Chizen	~	×
01.06	Elect Mercedes Johnson	~	<b>~</b>
01.07	Elect Jeannine P. Sargent	~	×
01.08	Elect John G. Schwarz	~	×
01.09	Elect Roy A. Vallee	~	×
02	Amendment to the 2006 Employee Equity Incentive Plan	~	×
03	Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	1	1
04	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	~	×
05	Ratification of Auditor	~	<b>~</b>
06	Shareholder Proposal Regarding Right to Call Special Meetings	×	<b>~</b>

## **PROXY ANALYSIS**

ITEM 01.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Aart J. de Geus	/	×

#### Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. This nominee is both CEO and Chairman, which goes against the policy. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Elect Marc N. Casper

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is the CEO of another company and sits on more than one board. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. He is CEO of Thermo Fisher Scientific inc. and sits on the Compensation Committee, which goes against the policy. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.04

BOARD POLICY

Elect Janice D. Chaffin

#### Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The CEO is also chair of the board. This arrangement creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee and the Nomination Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. He is the Chairman of another company and sits on a total of more than two boards. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. The CEO is also chair of the board. This arrangement creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.06

BOARD POLICY

Elect Mercedes Johnson

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.07 BOARD POLICY



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#### Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The CEO is also chair of the board. This arrangement creates potential conflicts of interest that are not in the best interests of the company or its shareholders. The nominating committee is responsible for the board's governance, including who will serve as chair. We have voted against the members of the nominating committee for this reason. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

ITEM 01.08

BOARD POLICY

Elect John G. Schwarz

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Compensation Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

--- Vote recorded

ITEM 01.09

BOARD POLICY

Elect Roy A. Vallee

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that less than the two-thirds of them are independent. No key committee is exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, sits on the Audit Committee. He has been on the board for over 10 years. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 02 BOARD POLICY





Proposer: Board

The proposed share-based compensation plan does not meet all of the policy criteria. This plan's share-dilution rate is over 5%. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 03

Frequency of Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation

1

**BOARD** 

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**POLICY** 

Proposer: Board

The proposal aims to set, in a non-restrictive manner, the frequency that shareholder will have the opportunity to approve an executive compensation program. It is relevant to allow shareholders a yearly opportunity to voice their concerns. A yearly frequency is in the shareholders' interest and has been selected.

Vote recorded

ITEM 04

Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation

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**BOARD** 



**Proposer:** Board

A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. The company does not disclose the specific criteria (or targets) that underpin its performance-based compensation programs. Executive incentive compensation is based on performance over a period of only two years. This encourages executives to focus on short-term results, to the detriment of the company's long-term performance. Stock appreciation rights are included in the plan. This type of grant is akin to phantom stock. Management's interests are not aligned with those of shareholders because the risk of holding shares is not real. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 05

BOARD

**POLICY** 





Proposer: Board

More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirmed. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 06

BOARD POLICY

Shareholder Proposal Regarding Right to Call Special Meetings



**Proposer:** John Chevedden

This proposal would allow shareholders with a reasonable percentage of share ownership (in relation to company size) of 10% to call special meetings. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

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ISSUER	MEETING DATE	
First Capital REIT (TSE: FCR.UN)	2023-04-11,	
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE	
Canada	2023-02-24	
MEETING LOCATION		
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 31890B103	

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.1	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI CAD	124300

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Paul C. Douglas	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.02	Elect Ira Gluskin	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.03	Elect Adam E. Paul	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.04	Elect Aladin W. Mawani	<b>~</b>	~
01.05	Elect Leonard Abramsky	<b>~</b>	~
01.06	Elect Annalisa King	<b>~</b>	~
01.07	Elect Dayna Gibbs	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.08	Elect Sheila Botting	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.09	Elect Ian Clarke	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.10	Elect Richard Nesbitt	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
02	Appointment of Auditor and Authority to Set Fees	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
03	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×
04	Unitholder Rights Plan Renewal	<b>~</b>	×

# PROXY ANALYSIS

ITEM 01.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Paul C. Douglas	<b>/</b>	~

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusivel independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A v candidate was recorded.		
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.02	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Ira Gluskin	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusivel independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A v candidate was recorded.		
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.03	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Adam E. Paul	<b>/</b>	<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusivel independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently the chief executive officer of the fit to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.		
	• Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.04	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Aladin W. Mawani	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vecandidate was recorded.	-	of the
	Vote recor	ded
ITEM 01.05	BOARD I	POLICY
Elect Leonard Abramsky	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vecandidate was recorded.		of the
	Vote recor	ded
ITEM 01.06	BOARD I	POLICY
Elect Annalisa King	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vecandidate was recorded.		of the
	Vote recor	ded
ITEM 01.07	BOARD I	POLICY
Elect Dayna Gibbs	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vecandidate was recorded.		
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 01.08	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Sheila Botting	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vecandidate was recorded.		
	Vote reco	orded
ITEM 01.09	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Ian Clarke	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vecandidate was recorded.		
	Vote rec	orded
ITEM 01.10	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Richard Nesbitt	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		

independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 02 **BOARD** POLICY Appointment of Auditor and Authority to Set Fees Proposer: Board More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirmed. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded. Vote recorded BOARD ITEM 03 POLICY Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation Proposer: Board A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. Compensation includes a share-option plan that does not meet all of the policy criteria. The share option plan does not exclude consultants and other suppliers. In the event of a change of control, the directors' employment contrat includes accelerated vesting of awards which goes against the policy. A vote against the proposal was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 04 **BOARD** POLICY Unitholder Rights Plan Renewal Proposer: Board

The plan does not meet all of the policy criteria. The poison pill is too defensive a method to face a takeover attempt. The Board refuses to withdraw the "poison pill"

60 days after an offer was submitted. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of

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## **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER Deutsche Telekom AG (DTLSF.PK)	MEETING DATE 2023-04-05,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
Germany	2023-03-31
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE	SECURITIES
Annual	251566105/D2035M136

# **POLICY: Share - Genus**

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-000001002.9	Genus Encasa - N1-000001002.9	116400

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
02	To approve a dividend of EUR 0.70.	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
03	To approve a discharge of Management Board for fiscal year 2022	<b>~</b>	×
04	To approve a discharge of Supervisory Board for fiscal year 2022	~	×
05	To ratify Deloitte GmbH as ausitors for fiscal year 2023	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
06.01	To elect Harald Krueger to the Supervisory Board	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
06.02	To elect Reinhard Ploss to the Supervisory Board	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
06.03	To elect Margret Suckale to the Supervisory Board	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
07	To approve virtual-only shareholder meetings until 2025.	<b>~</b>	×
08	To approve the remuneration report.	<b>~</b>	×

## **PROXY ANALYSIS**

ITEM 02	BOARD	POLICY
To approve a dividend of EUR 0.70.	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>

### Proposer: CA

It is the responsibility of the Board to make recommendations on the distribution of profits. Further, the distribution of a common dividend is in the interest of shareholders. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 03 BOARD POLICY

Because board elections are staggered, this does not allow shareholders to express their opinion on each board member in a yearly vote. The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 06.02 BOARD POLICY To elect Reinhard Ploss to the Supervisory Board Proposer: CA Because board elections are staggered, this does not allow shareholders to express their opinion on each board member in a yearly vote. The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 06.03 **BOARD** POLICY To elect Margret Suckale to the Supervisory Board Proposer: CA Because board elections are staggered, this does not allow shareholders to express their opinion on each board member in a yearly vote. The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Nomination Committee and the Audit Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded **ITEM 07** BOARD POLICY To approve virtual-only shareholder meetings until 2025.

#### Proposer: CA

Although online meetings encourage participation by the greatest number of people, it seems preferable to hold hybrid meetings. Furthermore, the company does not demonstrate that shareholders have the same participation conditions online as in a physical meeting. The proposal is not in the shareholders' interest. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

**ITEM 08** 

BOARD POLICY

To approve the remuneration report.



#### Proposer: CA

A complete analysis of the compensation report shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. Stock appreciation rights are included in the plan. This type of grant is akin to phantom stock. Management's interests are not aligned with those of shareholders because the risk of holding shares is not real. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

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ISSUER	MEETING DATE
Royal Bank of Canada (RY)	2023-04-05,
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE
Canada	2023-02-07
MEETING LOCATION	
MEETING TYPE Annual	SECURITIES 780087102

# POLICY: Share - Genus

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	STOCK COUNT
N1-00001002.1	Genus Sh Equity Fund PRI CAD	39872

ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Mirko Bibic	<b>~</b>	Ш
01.02	Elect Andrew A. Chisholm	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.03	Elect Jacynthe Côté	<b>~</b>	Ш
01.04	Elect Toos N. Daruvala	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.05	Elect Cynthia Devine	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.06	Elect Roberta Jamieson	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.07	Elect David I. McKay	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.08	Elect Maryann Turcke	<b>~</b>	П
01.09	Elect Thierry Vandal	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.10	Elect Bridget A. van Kralingen	<b>~</b>	П
01.11	Elect Frank Vettese	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.12	Elect Jeffery W. Yabuki	<b>~</b>	П
02	Appointment of PwC as Auditor	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
03	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	<b>~</b>	×
04	Amendment to the Stock Option Plan	<b>~</b>	×
05	Amendment to By-Laws	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
06	Shareholder proposal asking that the company amend its Policy Guidelines for Sensitive Sectors and Activities so that when it plays an merger and acquisition advisory or direct lending role on brown-spinning transactions, it will take reasonable steps to have parties to such transactions takes steps and make disclosures consistent with the TCFD.	×	<b>/</b>

07	Shareholder proposal asking that the company revise its Human Rights Position Statement to reflect that in taking action to mitigate adverse human rights impacts directly linked to its business relationships with clients (as outlined in the UNGPs), RBC will inform itself as to whether and how clients have operationalized FPIC of Indigenous peoples affected by such business relationships.	×	<b>~</b>
08	Shareholder proposal requesting that the board of directors oversee a racial equity audit to analyse the company's negative impacts on non-white stakeholders and communities of colour. The audit report should be published on the company's website.	×	~
09	Shareholder proposal requesting that the company issue a report disclosing absolute greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reduction targets for 2030 for its oil, gas and power generation lending and underwriting activities; the targets should follow a science-based pathway to carbon neutrality and be incremental to the emissions intensity targets the company has set or will set for these sectors.	×	<b>~</b>
10	Shareholder proposal asking that the bank adopt a policy for a time-bound phase-out of the RBC's lending and underwriting to projects and companies engaging in new fossil fuel exploration, development and transportation.	×	~
11	Shareholder proposal asking that the board undertake a review of executive compensation levels in relation to the entire workforce and, at reasonable cost and omitting proprietary information, publicly disclose the CEO compensation to median worker pay ratio on an annual basis.	×	~
12	Shareholder proposal requesting that the bank have an annual advisory vote on the company's environmental and climate change objectives and action plan.	×	~
13	Shareholder proposal asking that the Bank produce a report on the loans it granted over the previous years in support of a circular economy and the steps it intends to take to develop the expertise needed to properly enhance the value of these businesses.	×	<b>~</b>

### **PROXY ANALYSIS**

ITEM 01.01	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Mirko Bibic	<b>~</b>	п

**Proposer:** Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is the CEO of BCE and sits on more than one board. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.02	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Andrew A. Chisholm	<b>~</b>	~

#### Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. She is the Chairwoman of this company and sits on a total of more than two boards. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

BOARD POLICY

Elect Toos N. Daruvala

Proposer : Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

#### Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

| Vote recorded |

Elect David I. McKay

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently the chief executive officer of the firm. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 01.08

BOARD POLICY

Elect Maryann Turcke

✓ 

II

Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. She is the Chairwoman of Playmaker Capital and sits on a total of more than two boards. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.

shareholder interest. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 01.09	BOARD POLICY
Elect Thierry Vandal	
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Co Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. The nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.	•
ITEM 01.10	BOARD POLICY
Elect Bridget A. van Kralingen	<b>✓</b>   II
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Co Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee, who is considered non-independent by the policy, been on the board for over 10 years. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded.	
	Vote recorded
ITEM 01.11	BOARD POLICY
Elect Frank Vettese	
Proposer: Board	1 1

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.12 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Jeffery W. Yabuki Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. We note that the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee are not exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is the Chairman of Sportradar Group AG and sits on a total of more than two boards. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. In the absence of the option against, an abstention for the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 02 **BOARD** POLICY Appointment of PwC as Auditor Proposer: Board More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified and confirmed. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 03 BOARD POLICY Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation Proposer: Board

A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. The company does not disclose the specific criteria (or targets) that underpin its performance-based compensation programs. Compensation includes a share-option plan that does not meet all of the policy criteria. The term of the options awarded in the plan exceeds the time limit stipulated in the policy, which is 5 years. Stock appreciation rights are included in the plan. This type of grant is akin to phantom stock. Management's interests are not aligned with those of shareholders because the risk of holding shares is not real. The vesting schedule is not in line with the 3 years stipulated in the policy. The CEO was paid more than 200 times the average pay of Canadians workers. Large pay disparities contribute to increasingly unequal societies, which are less sustainable, less inclusive, and less productive. This is not good for the company or its stakeholders in the long term. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

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ITEM 04	BOARD	POLICY
Amendment to the Stock Option Plan	<b>~</b>	×
Proposer: Board		•
A complete analysis of the executives' share-option plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. The vesting schedule is not in line stipulated in the policy. A vote against the proposal was recorded.	e with the 3	years
	<ul> <li>Vote rec</li> </ul>	orded
ITEM 05	BOARD	POLICY
Amendment to By-Laws	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The proposal aims at increasing the first preferred shares issue limit from CAD 20 billion to CAD 30 billion and to only consider outstanding first limit. Theses shares are not dilutive and do not carry voting rights, despite being preferred shares. The submitted changes are not detrime shareholders' interests. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.		d shares in
	<ul><li>Vote rec</li></ul>	orded
ITEM 06	BOARD	POLICY
Shareholder proposal asking that the company amend its Policy Guidelines for Sensitive Sectors and Activities so that when it plays an merger and acquisition advisory or direct lending role on brown-spinning transactions, it will take reasonable steps to have parties to such transactions takes steps and make disclosures consistent with the TCFD.	×	~

#### **Proposer:** B.C General Employees' Union

Conflict of interest statement: GIR wishes to inform you that it has a business relationship with the proponent of this proposal. In no way do we believe that this relationship impairs our judgment and ability to apply the criteria of your policy. If you have any questions regarding this statement, please do not hesitate to contact us. The proponent states that some "issuer have sold polluting assets [coal, oil and gas projects] or are contemplating doing so. When these polluting assets are sold to private enterprises, investors are concerned about the lack of disclosure that results." Indeed, by transferring its polluting assets, a financial institution improves its balance sheet, but the ability to track the emissions of these assets may be lost if they are transferred to private companies, as the latter have no accountability. An article by the European Corporate Governance Institute, published in March 2022, refers to this practice as "brown spinning". RBC recognizes that the sale of high-polluting assets may not address the need for greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reductions in the economy and may not be consistent with the inclusive and disciplined transition required to achieve carbon neutrality by 2050. It argues that for this reason, it has set interim emission reduction targets by 2030 for its lending activities that are consistent with science and industry best practices. However, it clarifies that when it continues to make loans on transferred assets after the transfer of ownership, it continues to exercise its due diligence by working with its clients to have them disclose their Scope 1 and 2 emissions, as well as a GHG reduction plan. RBC concedes, however, that when it no longer lends against these assets, it no longer has the means to do this monitoring, and indicates that it is up to those with control over these assets to "encourage the actions that would support decarbonization of the economy and progress towards net-zero by 2050." Implementing this proposal would close the liability gap between private and public companies, ensuring that these high-polluting assets are not left unattended. Remember that if a company achieves carbon neutrality on paper, but it has done so while maintaining its actual GHG emissions, then this so-called carbon neutrality is of little value and will certainly not have contributed to keeping global warming below 1.5°C. In such a scenario, the company would at the very least be exposed to the risks of greenwashing and reputational damage. For these reasons, we believe it is appropriate to support this proposal. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Shareholder proposal asking that the company revise its Human Rights Position Statement to reflect that in taking action to mitigate adverse human rights impacts directly linked to its business relationships with clients (as outlined in the UNGPs), RBC will inform itself as to whether and how clients have operationalized FPIC of Indigenous peoples affected by such business relationships.

Vote recorded

**Proposer:** B.C General Employees' Union

Conflict of interest statement: GIR wishes to inform you that it has a business relationship with the proponent of this proposal. In no way do we believe that this relationship impairs our judgment and ability to apply the criteria of your policy. If you have any questions regarding this statement, please do not hesitate to contact us. Companies directly or indirectly related to recognized human rights violations, including the rights of Indigenous People, are exposed to financial, legal, operational, and reputational risks, and even to boycott and disinvestment. There are several examples where the lack of consideration for Indigenous rights has caused delays and disruptions to projects, if not outright failure. As for the banks that directly or indirectly fund projects that may have serious impacts on these rights, they are increasingly criticized in the public arena. The Dakota Access Project highlighted the financial and reputational risks to which they are exposed. We recall that investors, consumers and Indigenous and environmental rights advocates have denounced these banks, including RBC, and accused them of being complicit in human rights violations. There have been calls for boycotts and some, such as Wells Fargo, have lost contracts with cities or suffered divestments. More recently, RBC has been associated with the controversial Coastal GasLink project. However, different measures can help banks mitigate the risks related to such projects, including the adoption of a credible, comprehensive and internationally recognized human rights policy and aboriginal rights policy. Compliance with these

rights allows also to increase the legitimacy and social acceptability of the project and reduce the risk of conflict. Taking into account the potential impacts of a project on those and the requirement to respect of FPIC enable the banks to anticipate, limit and manage the risks associated with violations of these rights, to protect the shareholder value and enhance their reputation. In its human rights statement, RBC affirms that it respects "the respect the inherent right of Indigenous peoples to self-determination in accordance with international and domestic law." The company describes itself as "a champion of Indigenous inclusion", says it is committed to working in partnership with Indigenous people in the search for reconciliation, and says it will seek their input and knowledge as it revises its human rights statement. These declarations and commitments must be emphasized. Nonetheless, its funding of some high-profile projects accused of human rights abuses is cause for concern and raises questions about the effectiveness of its policies and practices with respect to indigenous rights. It therefore seems reasonable, responsible and justified for RBC to implement the proposal. In accordance with the United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, RBC must identify and prevent human rights risks in its operations and business relationships. Such an approach should also give the company access to critical information that could help it avoid involvement in projects that carry high risks of infringing on Indigenous rights, that are not aligned with its policies and commitments, and that therefore expose it to significant financial and reputational risks. The United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples recognizes the right to FPIC. It should also be noted that Canada and British Columbia have endorsed the Declaration and passed legislation to fully and effectively implement it, which means, among other things, that they will have to bring their laws into line with the Decl

Vote recorded

ITEM 08 BOARD POLICY

Shareholder proposal requesting that the board of directors oversee a racial equity audit to analyse the company's negative impacts on non-white stakeholders and communities of colour. The audit report should be published on the company's website.





**Proposer:** Shareholder Association for Research & Education

Conflict of interest statement: GIR wishes to inform you that it has a business relationship with the proponent of this proposal. In no way do we believe that this relationship impairs our judgment and ability to apply the criteria of your policy. If you have any questions regarding this statement, please do not hesitate to contact us. Diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI), as well as racial justice, represent crucial issues for companies. Those who do not respect the principle of employment equity are exposed to financial, legal, operational, reputational, and disinvestment risks. On the contrary, the prevention of discrimination and the creation of an open and diverse work environment, at all levels of the organization, offer many advantages, for example, by providing different perspectives, increasing productivity and employees' morale, eliminating the limitations of group think and reducing risks associated with discrimination. Studies have also shown that diversity has a positive effect on financial performance. It is therefore in the interests of shareholders that companies diligently identify and address inequality issues within their workforces. They must also show fairness to other stakeholders. However, according to a study by the Financial Consumer Agency of Canada on the retail practices of Canada's major banks, customers who identified themselves as visible minorities or Indigenous people were more likely to be recommended inappropriate products, to receive unclear information, and to be offered optional products such as overdraft protection. These findings are of concern because they suggest the existence of discriminatory practices. A recent academic study also found that being unbanked or underbanked has a disproportionate effect on Indigenous people and that access to financial services is an endemic problem in "low-income communities of colour." In 2020, La Presse also revealed that insurers, including banks, were refusing to offer quotes in Indigenous reserves without even analyzing the files. In the case of RBC, we note that it has DEI policies, programs, and initiatives in place, including an action plan against systemic racism, and that it discloses information in this regard. Nevertheless, RBC has been involved in recent controversies related to racial equity. For example, its subsidiary City National paid US\$31 million in 2023 to settle charges of racial discrimination in mortgage lending in the United States. Therefore, we believe it is in the best interest of shareholders for RBC to conduct the requested audit, which would allow RBC to assess whether its practices and policies may negatively impact non-white stakeholders and communities of colour. In sum, it is a matter of due diligence on the part of the company to

ensure that it is not unknowingly contributing to systemic racism and, where necessary, to correct problematic practices and policies. This would allow it to proactively identify and mitigate the risk of being associated with a racial equity controversy, which would expose it to significant legal, financial, reputational, and even consumer boycott risks. Finally, the publication of the results of the requested review would allow investors to assess its efforts, as well as the effectiveness and relevance of its racial equity policies and practices, and could reassure various stakeholders, including its clients, in terms of the seriousness and depth of its commitments. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 09 BOARD

Shareholder proposal requesting that the company issue a report disclosing absolute greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reduction targets for 2030 for its oil, gas and power generation lending and underwriting activities; the targets should follow a science-based pathway to carbon neutrality and be incremental to the emissions intensity targets the company has set or will set for these sectors.



POLICY

**Proposer:** The Comptroller of the City of New York

The importance of the issue of climate change is not to be demonstrated. Its devastating human, social, environmental, and economic impacts are already being felt and are only a foretaste of a world where the rise in the Earth's average temperature would exceed 1.5°C compared to the pre-industrial era. The Glasgow Compact, adopted at the end of the COP26 in November 2021, reconfirmed the need to reduce global carbon dioxide emissions by 45% by 2030 in order to keep warming below 1.5°C. In this context, the contribution of companies to climate change mitigation is essential. Launched in December 2017, Climate Action 100+, an initiative of 700 institutional investors with more than US\$68 trillion in assets under management, calls on companies to improve their climate governance, reduce their net Scope 1. Scope 2, and Scope 3 GHG emissions to zero, strengthen climate-related actions, and provide climate-related financial disclosure. In the case of RBC, we note, among other things, that the company has committed to achieving carbon neutrality within its own activities, as well as for its lending activities by 2050. However, while RBC has established interim targets (2030) for emissions from the proponent's sectors, these targets are only related to GHG intensity. RBC has not yet announced a science-based target for 2030 to absolutely reduce these emissions. Yet, these scope 3 emissions caused by the financing of fossil fuels account for most of the banks' contribution to climate change. RBC is algo lagging behind some competitors. For example, the Bank of Montreal has set an intermediate target of reducing absolute scope 3 emissions by 24%. It should also be noted that unlike Bank of Montreal and National Bank, RBC has not yet signed the United Nations Principles for Responsible Banking (UNPRB) Principles for Responsible Banking, which require banks to align their business strategies with the Paris Agreement. With respect to climate disclosure, it should be noted that RBC follows the recommendations of the internationally recognized Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD), which was established to improve and expand climate-related financial reporting. RBC also discloses its direct and indirect GHG emissions, which are reviewed by independent third parties. Upon review, we acknowledge that RBC has adopted some good disclosure practices and has taken steps to mitigate its climate-related impacts. Nevertheless, its climate change strategy has major shortcomings, such as interim absolute scope 3 emissions reduction targets for its oil, gas and power generation lending activities, and appears less ambitious than those of the Bank of Montreal. Therefore, we believe it is in the best interest of investors to support the proposal in order to encourage the board to do more to reduce RBC's overall emissions, as well as its exposure to climate risk, which include operational, financial, regulatory and reputational risks. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 10 BOARD POLICY

Shareholder proposal asking that the bank adopt a policy for a time-bound phase-out of the RBC's lending and underwriting to projects and companies engaging in new fossil fuel exploration, development and transportation.





Proposer: Stand Earth

RBC is committed to aligning its financing activities with the objectives of the Paris Agreement and to achieving carbon neutrality by 2050, in line with the goal of limiting warming to 1.5°C. Studies by Rystad Energy, the International Energy Agency and the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) have shown that to achieve these goals, any new coal mining or fossil fuel exploration projects must be buried. A study published in the journal Nature in September 2021, also established that to allow a 50% probability of limiting warming below 1.5° C, 60% of oil and gas reserves and 90% of coal reserves will have to remain underground, while oil and gas production will have to decrease by 3% every year across the world until 2050. Yet, the 2022 edition of the Banking on Climate Chaos report states that RBC was the world's 5th largest lender to fossil fuel projects, having provided more than \$200 billion in lending and underwriting activity to fossil fuel companies between 2016 and 2021, including more than \$38 billion to the top 100 companies engaged in new fossil fuel exploration and development. According to the High-Level Expert Group on the Net-Zero Emissions Commitments of Non-State Entities standards released in 2022, RBC's current policies and practices do not provide a credible pathway to achieve carbon neutrality by 2050. If RBC does not adopt a policy of phasing out the financing of new fossil fuel exploration, development and transportation projects, it will miss its carbon neutrality goal and be exposed to regulatory, competitive, greenwashing and reputational risks. Indeed, the gap between the banks' rhetoric on climate and the efforts made is increasingly being monitored. The proponent notes that "the Competition Bureau began an investigation into the bank's alleged deceptive marketing practices related to its stated climate actions." Regulations will also become more stringent. In March 2023, the Office of the Superintendent of Financial Institutions issued a climate risk management guideline that clarifies its financial reporting expectations and sets capital and liquidity requirements. In addition, several banks have already committed to phasing out the financing of fossil fuel projects (Swiss Re, Generali, La Banque Postale, and Crédit Mutuel). Finally, financial support for fossil fuel exploration projects is becoming less accepted, as evidenced by the Coastal GasLink and Trans Mountain pipeline projects. RBC considers that this elimination is neither realistic nor desirable. It argues that banks play a critical role in the energy transition, and that this influence would be lost by interrupting such financing. It adds that polluting assets would find other types of financing that would not track greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in the same way. While some of the points raised by RBC are worthy of consideration, it seems more of a risk to maintain this funding than to prohibit it. As the most recent IPCC work indicates, time is running out as we are behind the ideal targets for achieving carbon neutrality. Redirecting this funding to other measures (climate change adaptation, energy efficiency, GHG capture, etc.) seems more appropriate than the plan designed by the bank. For these reasons, we consider that this proposal should be adopted. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

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ITEM 11 BOARD POLICY

Shareholder proposal asking that the board undertake a review of executive compensation levels in relation to the entire workforce and, at reasonable cost and omitting proprietary information, publicly disclose the CEO compensation to median worker pay ratio on an annual basis.





**Proposer:** Vancity Investment Management Ltd.

Conflict of interest statement: GIR wishes to inform you that it has a business relationship with the proponent of this proposal. In no way do we believe that this relationship impairs our judgment and ability to apply the criteria of your policy. If you have any questions regarding this statement, please do not hesitate to contact us. The proponent notes that the compensation earned by CEOs in the United States has increased by 1,322% since 1978. This far exceeds the 817% increase in the overall value of the S&P index and the 18% increase in average worker compensation. The ratio of CEO to worker compensation in the U.S. has increased from 31

fold in 1978 to 351 fold in 2020. Canada is following the same trend, albeit somewhat less steeply: CEO compensation within the 100 largest companies listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange was 202 times that of the average worker's salary in 2020. Despite announcements of lower executive compensation during the COVID-19 pandemic, executive compensation grew by 17% in 2020 compared to 2019. As Statistics Canada points out in its report, "The Evolution of Canadian Wages over the Last Three Decades," the widening gap between executive and worker pay is an indicator and contributor to rising wage inequality in North America. However, inequalities have a cost for society. Indeed, their increase translates into unemployment and its consequences, debt and poverty, or poorer health. Each of these phenomena calls for public spending that could be reduced if not totally eradicated. RBC has already undertaken a vertical analysis of its remuneration. The proponent would like the results to be disclosed in order to increase transparency and to guarantee investors that the company manages these risks. Tracking and reporting on these actions can help ensure that the company does not inadvertently contribute to these systemic problems. Note that this proposal has also been submitted to CIBC and TD Bank. Scotiabank discloses its compensation ratio, which is 1 to 143. We want to point out that this proposal allows shareholders to measure the gap between executive compensation, which is often excessive, and that of employees. It also allows a quick comparison with peers. In addition, the ratio can provide an assessment of the company's relative performance, which should also be measured by the salary offered to employees. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

TIEM 12

BOARD POLICY

Shareholder proposal requesting that the bank have an annual advisory vote on the company's environmental and climate change objectives and action plan.

### Proposer: MÉDAC

According to the 2022 edition of Rainforest Action Network's "Banking on Climate Chaos" report (89mq.short.gy/mUXTcm), RBC, TD Bank, Scotiabank, Bank of Montreal, and CIBC provided more than US\$131 billion to fossil fuel companies over the course of 2021, an increase in financing from 2020. The report states that since the signature of the Paris Agreement 2015, they have lent or underwritten nearly US\$700 billion to the sector. In April 2022, an article from the National Observer (https://bit.ly/3ZsEGpa) has also highlighted the inconsistencies of these five major Canadian banks. Indeed, they continue to finance new fossil fuel extraction projects while being signatories to the Net-Zero Banking Alliance and to the Glasgow Financial Alliance for Net-Zero, which commit them to align their financing with net zero emissions by 2050. Thus, while banks have made commitments and adopted measures to reduce their carbon footprint and have improved their carbon disclosure, we find that their financing of fossil fuels remains high, which could cast doubt on their ability to meet their climate and environmental goals, such as achieving net zero emissions by 2050 for their financing activities. This proposal therefore presents an opportunity for shareholders to judge the company's environmental and climate change objectives and action plan, as well as to assess its progress, since this consultative vote would be annual. In addition, given the many climate change-related risks to which companies are exposed, including financial, legal, regulatory, operational, and reputational risks, it would be beneficial to engage stakeholders, and particularly shareholders, in dialogue regarding the company's environmental and climate policy. Therefore, we believe that support for the proposal would be appropriate and that the proposal is indeed in the best interests of shareholders. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

ITEM 13

Shareholder proposal asking that the Bank produce a report on the loans it granted over the previous years in support of a circular economy and the steps it

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intends to take to develop the expertise needed to properly enhance the value of these businesses.

Proposer: MÉDAC

The Office québécois de la langue française defines the circular economy as "a system of production, exchange and consumption that relies on flow looping strategies to make optimal use of resources at each stage of the product life cycle, with the aim of reducing environmental impacts and improving the well-being of communities." It adds that "the circular economy is opposed to the linear economy where, typically, resources are extracted to make products that will be delivered, consumed, and then thrown away." This model involves sharing, renting, reusing, repairing, refurbishing and recycling existing materials and products for as long as possible. Its implementation should lead to a reduction in waste and environmental impacts from the extraction and use of raw materials. It could also contribute to the fight against climate change. According to the Ellen MacArthur Foundation, if the circular economy were adopted in 5 key industries (steel, aluminum, cement, plastics, and food), annual greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions could decrease by 9.3 billion metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalents in 2050, which is equivalent to global transportation emissions. According to the Ellen MacArthur Foundation, if the circular economy were adopted in 5 key industries (steel, aluminum, cement, plastics, and food), annual greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions could decrease by 9.3 billion metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalents in 2050, which is equivalent to the amount of emissions from transportation worldwide. As a result, the CCA believes that "Canada may be throwing away significant opportunities and potential wealth along with all that waste." It adds that if Canada were to move to the circular economy, "value tied up in waste could help Canada remain economically competitive while meeting its commitments to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and achieving sustainable development goals" There are already several Canadian initiatives, including those of the federal, provincial and territorial governments, to foster the emergence and growth of this economy. These initiatives are growing in importance and should be encouraged. Because they finance key value-creating projects, financial institutions also have an important role to play in supporting circular economy activities. For example, Designation has committed C\$2 million over 5 years to a partnership with the École de technologie supérieure to set up a series of pilot projects aimed at accelerating the transition to a circular economy. Many banks have also signed on to national and international initiatives dealing with the circular economy, including the Principles for Responsible Banking under the United Nations Environment Programme Finance Initiative and the Circular Economy Leadership Canada (CELC) initiative. Desjardins, CIBC, National Bank, Scotiabank and TD Bank are among the CELC's partners. At a time when several major Canadian banks have come under public scrutiny for their generous lending to the fossil fuel sector, despite the climate emergency and their commitments to fight climate change, we believe it would be in the best interests of shareholders and the bank to disclose additional information about the loans it has made in recent years to support and encourage circular economy activities that can help advance critical environmental goals, such as reducing GHG emissions and plastic waste or protecting biodiversity. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

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## **PROXY SUMMARY**

ISSUER	MEETING DATE		
Walt Disney Company (The) (DIS)	2023-04-03,		
COUNTRY	RECORD DATE		
United States	2023-02-08		
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ITEM	PROPOSAL	BOARD	POLICY
01.01	Elect Mary T. Barra	<b>/</b>	×
01.02	Elect Safra A. Catz	~	×
01.03	Elect Amy L. Chang	~	~
01.04	Elect Francis A. deSouza	~	~
01.05	Elect Carolyn N. Everson	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.06	Elect Michael B.G. Froman	~	~
01.07	Elect Robert A. Iger	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.08	Elect Maria Elena Lagomasino	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
01.09	Elect Calvin R. McDonald	<b>~</b>	×
01.10	Elect Mark G. Parker	<b>~</b>	×
01.11	Elect Derica W. Rice	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
02	To approve the appointment of the auditing firm PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP.	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
03	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation.	<b>~</b>	×
04	Advisory Vote on the frequency of the shareholders' say-on-pay.	1	1
05	Shareholder proposal requesting that The Walt Disney Company report annually to shareholders on the nature and extent to which corporate operations depend on, and are vulnerable to, Communist China, which is a serial human rights violator, a geopolitical threat, and an adversary to the United States.		×
06	Shareholder proposal requesting that the Board of Directors consider listing on the Company website any recipient of \$10,000 or more contributions, excluding employee matching gifts.	×	×
07	Shareholder proposal requesting that Disney annually analyze and report, at reasonable expense, the congruence of its political and electioneering expenditures during the preceding year against its publicly stated company values and policies, listing and explaining instances of incongruent	×	<b>~</b>

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### **PROXY ANALYSIS**

ITEM 01.01 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Mary T. Barra Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. She is the CEO of General Motors and sits on more than one board. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.02 **BOARD POLICY** Elect Safra A. Catz Proposer: Board The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. She is the CEO of Oracle and sits on more than one board. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. A vote against the candidate was recorded. Vote recorded ITEM 01.03 **BOARD** POLICY Elect Amy L. Chang Proposer: Board

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the

candidate was recorded.		
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ITEM 01.04	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Francis A. deSouza	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is the CEO of Illumina and sits on more than one boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. A vote in favour of the candidates	d. The numb	ber of ded.
ITEM 01.05	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Carolyn N. Everson	<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>
Proposer: Board		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vecandidate was recorded.	•	
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ITEM 01.06	BOARD	POLICY
Elect Michael B.G. Froman	<b>~</b>	<b>/</b>
Proposer: Board		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.

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ITEM 01.07	BOARD	POLICY		
Elect Robert A. Iger	<b>~</b>	<b>/</b>		
Proposer: Board	ı	1		
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusive independent members. This nominee is not deemed independent according to the company. He is currently the chief executive officer of the to oppose this nominee's election. A vote in favour of the candidate was recorded.				
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ITEM 01.08	BOARD	POLICY		
Elect Maria Elena Lagomasino	<b>~</b>	<b>/</b>		
Proposer: Board	•			
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusive independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's election. A candidate was recorded.				
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ITEM 01.09	BOARD	POLICY		
Elect Calvin R. McDonald	<b>~</b>	×		
Proposer: Board		1		

The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all exclusively made up of independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is the CEO of Lululemon and sits on more than one board. The number of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. A vote against the candidate was recorded.

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ITEM 01.10	BOARD POLICY
Elect Mark G. Parker	✓ ×
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. He is the executive chair of Nike and sits on mo of boards on which he sits is too high and could compromise his ability to adequately serve shareholder interest. A vote against the or	ore than one board. The number
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ITEM 01.11	BOARD POLICY
Elect Derica W. Rice	<b>/ /</b>
Proposer: Board	
The nominees' independence was verified and it was found that the two-thirds of them are independent. The key committees are all independent members. This nominee is deemed independent according to the policy. There is no reason to oppose this nominee's elecandidate was recorded.	
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ITEM 02	BOARD POLICY
To approve the appointment of the auditing firm PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP.	<b> </b>
Proposer: Board	
More than 75% of the fees paid to the firm were for financial auditing services. The independence of the auditing firm was verified a the proposal was recorded.	nd confirmed. A vote in favour of
	Vote recorded

**ITEM 03 BOARD** POLICY Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation.

Proposer: Board

A complete analysis of the compensation plan shows that it does not meet all of the policy criteria. Compensation includes a share-option plan that does not meet all of the policy criteria. The dilution rate is not disclosed. Severance pay exceeds 2 times the executive's salary. The CEO was paid more than 200 times the average American wage. Large wage disparities contribute to increasingly unequal, less sustainable, inclusive and productive societies. In the long run, such a situation can lead to negative fallout for the company or its stakeholders. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

**ITEM 04 BOARD** POLICY Advisory Vote on the frequency of the shareholders' say-on-pay.

Proposer: Board

The proposal aims to set, in a non-restrictive manner, the frequency that shareholder will have the opportunity to approve an executive compensation program. It is relevant to allow shareholders a yearly opportunity to voice their concerns. A yearly frequency is in the shareholders' interest and has been selected.

Vote recorded

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BOARD ITEM 05 POLICY

Shareholder proposal requesting that The Walt Disney Company report annually to shareholders on the nature and extent to which corporate operations depend on, and are vulnerable to, Communist China, which is a serial human rights violator, a geopolitical threat, and an adversary to the United States.

**Proposer:** National Legal and Policy Center

The issue of human rights and operations in countries with well-documented human rights abuses is a major social issue, and it is in the interest of shareholders that companies disclose information on this subject. However, in this case, we have serious doubts about the real intentions of the proponent. Indeed, the National Legal and Policy Center (NLPC) is a right-wing non-profit organization that says it promotes ethics in public life through research, investigation, education and legal action and believes that the best way to promote ethics is to reduce the size of government. The NLPC has a history of filing anti-social proposals that serve its political agenda more than the interests of shareholders and the company. Their shareholder proposals often have the appearance of proposals from responsible investors who request information or actions to improve the social or environmental performance of companies, but after examination, we find that these could be aimed at thwarting the company's actions in these areas. For example, it once filed a proposal to Alphabet regarding the government censorship in the U.S., but it may have

actually been aimed at curbing the company's attempts to help the Biden administration fight misinformation related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Accordingly, we do not believe that support for the proposal is appropriate and that the proposal is in the best interests of shareholders. The proposal is not in the shareholders' interest. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 06

Shareholder proposal requesting that the Board of Directors consider listing on the Company website any recipient of \$10,000 or more contributions, excluding employee matching gifts.

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POLICY

**Proposer:** Thomas Strobhar

We consider that the proponent's request would not necessarily be beneficial to the shareholders. Furthermore, given Thomas Strohbar's lobbying in recent years against certain human rights, we feel it is more prudent to oppose this proposal. The proposal is not in the shareholders' interest. A vote against the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

ITEM 07

Shareholder proposal requesting that Disney annually analyze and report, at reasonable expense, the congruence of its political and electioneering expenditures during the preceding year against its publicly stated company values and policies, listing and explaining instances of incongruent expenditures, and stating whether the identified incongruencies have or will lead to a change in future expenditures or contributions.

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**BOARD** 



POLICY

**Proposer:** The Educational Foundation of America

A report on political contributions and the congruence of values would be useful. In addition to the legal risk linked to the complexity of the laws, political contributions generate major problems which can impact added value. The proponent notes some inconsistencies between Disney's positions and the facts. For example, while Disney supports many efforts to promote the advancement of women within the company, that didn't stop it from donating more than \$1.5 million to politicians and political organizations working to weaken women's access to reproductive health care in the U.S. in the 2020 and 2022 election cycles. The requested report would be useful to shareholders in order to assess the management of these questions by the company. A vote in favour of the proposal was recorded.

Vote recorded

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