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Disclosure Considerations After a Low/Failed Say-on-Pay Vote

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Introduction

If your company's say-on-pay vote received a low level of support at your last annual meeting, you will be preparing a strategy to understand why, and bounce back. After reviewing the issues, engaging with shareholders and amending your compensation program as appropriate, you will want to publish a proxy statement that explains your company's compensation philosophy and performance clearly, while satisfying increased scrutiny from proxy advisors.

This Thought Piece highlights examples of certain key disclosures that the proxy advisory firms want to see after a low say-on-pay vote. While some of the following examples are from proxy statements published by companies after a low say-on-pay score, others are from companies that publish these "best practice" disclosures as a matter of course.

What Proxy Advisors Are Looking For



ISS' review takes into consideration the following when a say-on-pay proposal receives less than 70% support:

- The disclosure of details on the breadth of engagement, including information on the frequency and timing of engagements, the number of institutional investors, and the company participants (including whether independent directors participated);
- The disclosure of specific feedback received from investors on concerns that led them to vote against the proposal;
- Specific and meaningful actions taken to address the issues that contributed to the low level of support;
- Other recent compensation actions taken by the company and/or the persistence of problematic issues;
- · Whether the issues raised are recurring or isolated;
- · The company's ownership structure; and
- Whether the proposal's support level was less than 50 percent, which would warrant the highest degree of responsiveness.

https://www.issgovernance.com/file/policy/latest/americas/US-Compensation-Policies-FAQ.pdf



Glass Lewis' review takes into consideration the following when a say-on-pay proposal receives less than 80% support:

Our review of a company's practices also takes into consideration the compensation committee's response to previous say-on-pay votes and the level of shareholder support. When a company receives low support for its say-on-pay proposal, we believe the compensation committee should provide some level of response to shareholders' concerns, including engaging with large shareholders to identify the concerns driving the opposition. Shareholders should also expect adequate disclosure of any such engagement and any resulting feedback or changes being made to address outstanding concerns.

https://www.glasslewis.com/say-on-pay/

Disclosure Examples

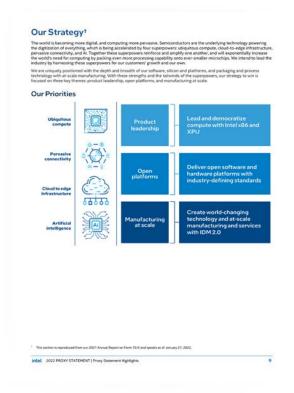
Presenting Compensation in the Proxy Summary

- To reduce duplication, consider a "light" approach to compensation information in the Proxy Summary with the "compensation story" pages being in the CD&A.
- Elements to consider for the Proxy Summary, as appropriate:
 - The breadth and scope of the business (background about the company).
 - Business highlights (not necessarily specifically tied to compensation metrics, although financial and non-financial results tied to compensation metrics should be included).
 - Compensation elements and their metrics (not goals or outcomes the summary introduces readers to the compensation plan).
 - Pay for performance alignment over time with the performance metric that's most relevant for the company and its industry.
 - Compensation governance ("what we do / don't do").
 - · Shareholder outreach and a summary of resultant changes.
- If it tells the right story, consider also showing (briefly/visually) that the program works by showing pay for performance over time, whether that is actual pay, realizable pay, or plan payouts over a 3- or 5-year period.

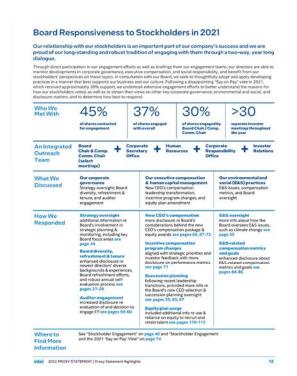
Intel Corporation







Capital	Strategy	Value	Value We Create
Financial	Leverage financial capital to invest in ourselves and drive our IDM 2.0 strategy, supplement and strengthen our capabilities through acquisitions, and provide returns to stockholders.	We strategically invest financial capital to create long-term value and provide returns to our stockholders.	\$30B/\$11.3B Operating/free cash flow ¹⁰ \$8.1B Returned to stockholders
to enable us to deliver on our accelerated process technology roadmap, introduce leading x86 and xPU products, and develop		We develop IP to enable next- generation products, create synergies across our businesses, expand into new markets, and establish and support our brands.	\$15.2B
Manufacturing	Aligned with our IDM 2.0 strategy, invest to efficiently build manufacturing capacity to address growing global demand for semiconductors.	Our geographically balanced manufacturing scope and scale enable us to provide our customers and consumers with a broad range of leading-edge products.	\$18.7B Capital investment 10 Manufacturing sites
Human Continue to build a diverse, inclusive, and safe work environment to attract, develop, and retain top talent needed to build transformative products.		Our talented employees enable the development of solutions and enhance the intellectual and manufacturing capital critical to helping our customers win the technology inflections of the future.	24.3% Women in technical positions ¹⁰ 18.7% Women in senior leadership ¹⁰ 7.8% URMs in US senior leadership ¹⁰
Social and relationship	Build trusted relationships for both intel and our stakeholders, including employees, suppliers, customers, local communities, and governments.	We collaborate with stakeholders on programs to empower underserved communities through education and technology, and on initiatives to advance accountability and capabilities across our global supply chain, including accountability for the respect of human rights.	>1.7M Volunteer hours ⁽⁰⁾ since 2020
Natural	Continually strive to reduce our environmental footprint through efficient and responsible use of natural resources and materials used to create our products.	With our proactive efforts, we seek to mitigate climate and water impacts, achieve efficiencies, and lower costs, and position us to respond to the expectations of our stakeholders.	Since 2020; >310M kWh savings ⁶⁰ 15.4B Gallors saved ⁶⁰ 3.5B Gallors restored ⁶⁰
This is a preliminary This section is repro	on-GAAP Financial Measures' beginning on page A- estimate. The final number will be reported in our doubted from information in our 2021 Annual Repor- y was sold subsequent to you need as part of the fir	2021-22 Corporate Responsibility Report, to be t on Form 10-K and speaks as of January 27, 20	22.



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Executive Compensation Summary

intel's executive compensation programs are designed to incentivize the implementation of our growth

There are three key drivers of our executive compensation programs: a competitive pay positioning strategy, a heavy emphasis on incertifier-driven pay, and goals that are appropriately aligned with our business strategy in ferms of both nelection and attainability. Our executive compensation programs focus and different performance metrics for various performance periods to business of the compensation of control programs focus and different performance metrics for various performance periods to business of the compensation of programs to align to our new portionation of the compensation programs to align to our new portionation programs to align to ou

with mese changes, our executive compensation programs continue to be closely test to our manicus, operational, and stock price performance, support our commitment to strong compensation governance, and provide market-based opportunities to attract, retain, and motivate our executives in an intensely competitive market for qualified talent.

For more information regarding our compensation changes for 2022, please see the "Compensation Discussion & Analysis" or page 66.

2021 CEO Transition and 2022 CEO Compensation

In early 2011, the Board of Directors implammented a leadership transition, appointing Mr. Gelsinger as CCO effective Fechuary 15, 2021, at which imple had join point the Board of the mention of the Board of

r more information regarding the rationale and details of the compensation decisions related to Intel's CEO transition, please the "Compensation Discussion & Analysis" on page 66.

Proxy Statement Highlights | 2022 PROXY STATEMENT intel

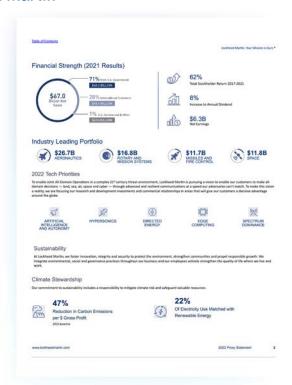
Overview of Listed Officer Compensation Programs for 2021 and 2022 Changes

Pay Element	Purpose	Performance Period	2021 Performance Metrics	2021 Program Other Key Features	2022 Program Changes
Base Salary	Designed to be market-competitive and attract and retain talent	Annual	-	Compensation Committee conducted annual review of peer group and market data regarding pay elements	-
Annual Cash Bonus	Incertivite achievement of intel's near-term financial and operational and operational objectives, consistent with intel's longer- term goals.	Armusi	Three equally seighted (1/3) metrics for State officers - Net income growth - Revenue - One intelligent operational goals	Payout opportunity 0-200% of target	Four equally weighted (25%) metrics for intend officers (oth than our ECO, who does not have an individual performant metric). - Reviews - Gross Margin Percentage (New Metric) - One Intel operational, goals - Individual CKRs (New Metric) Maximum payout remains capped at 200% of the target opportunity
Quarterly Cash Bonus	Company-wide program that rewards quarterly profitability based on infel's net income relative to company compensation costs	Quarter	5th of Net Income childed by Intel's workdwide cost of a day's pay	Payout reflected as extra days of cash compensation	-
Annual Restricted Stock Units	Facilitates stock ownership, executive retension, and stockholder alignment	Three years with quarterly vesting	Stock price appreciation	 Represented 20% of target long-team incentive award opportunity (other than for our CEO who did not receive an annual equity award and received one-time new-bire equity awards in 2021) 	CEO annual equity award for 2022 comprised 80% PSUs at 20% RSUs. RSUs will account for 50% of the annual equity awards for other listed officers to provide a more balanced approach an align with current market practice.
Annual Performance Stock Units	Designed to research long-term portlanding and long-term preformance relative to peer to create to peer to create stockholders; and to facilitate esecutive retention	Threeyears	- Relative TSE No. SAP 500 IT holdes (50%) Cumulative EP's growth compared to a larger man and the beginning of the three-year performance period (50%)	Represented 60% of target long-reminement waven open-turnly (other town or concentration of the concentration	Indicational PSUs program to enfect new go forward strategy and sign executive metal and program of the program

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Walgreens Boots Alliance









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Shareholder Outreach

- First and foremost, proxy advisors will be looking for a robust presentation of shareholder engagement. Our
 interpretation of the ISS guidelines is that, in addition to the usual participants/process/feedback discussion,
 companies should also present facts specifically about the feedback from shareholders voting no, and how
 the company addressed these concerns. ISS will take board engagement after dissent into consideration
 when formulating its recommendation on this year's SOP and incumbent compensation committee
 members. Glass Lewis' general expectation is that boards will respond to shareholder dissent.
- Efforts made to solicit feedback from shareholders since the last Annual Meeting:

HP Inc.





GE



Goldman Sachs



• "Year-round" shareholder outreach process and cycle:

Starbucks





Changes Made as a Result of Shareholder Outreach

- Any changes to the compensation program should be clearly highlighted and emphasized. Particularly
 if additional changes were made following last year's say-on-pay vote, we would suggest visually
 showing changes over multi-year period and emphasizing that the evolving program is in line with
 shareholder feedback even better if the program has evolved in line with the company's strategic
 transformation initiatives.
- · Timeline of changes:

General Motors





• A visually impactful chart to highlight "what we heard / what we did" may be presented in the proxy summary and the CD&A:

Southern Company



Walgreens Boots Alliance

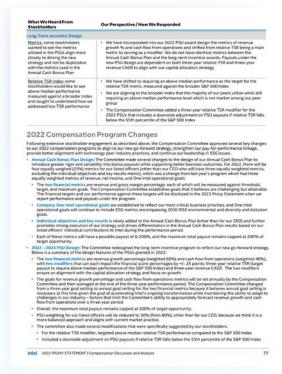


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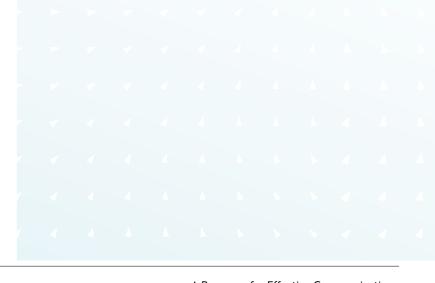
Letter from the Compensation Committee

After a low/failed say-on-pay vote, we recommend a carefully considered Compensation Committee letter to explain their rationale for compensation decisions, and any additional changes that have been made.

Southern Company







The Coca-Cola Company







• Halliburton provides a Q&A with the Compensation Committee Chair in addition to the a letter.

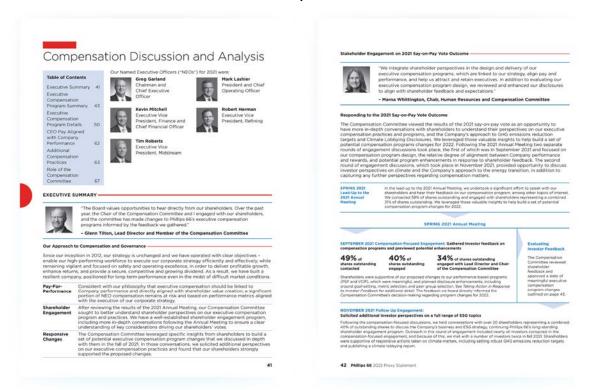
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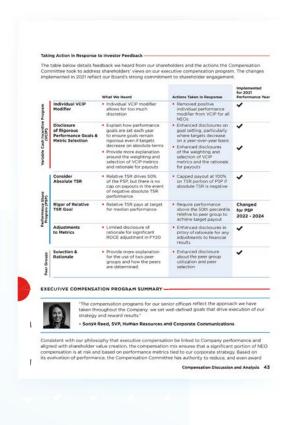




• In addition to a standard report for the Compensation Committee, Phillips 66 provides additional commentary on specific aspects of the compensation program throughout their CD&A.

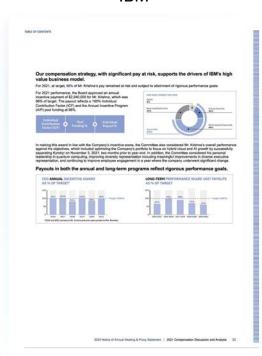
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Appropriately Challenging Goals

- Shareholders will want to see that the goals on which compensation is based are challenging, given the company's business model, industry and past results.
- Show how the <u>process</u> for setting those goals takes those and other company/industry-specific factors into account, resulting in goals that evolve as those factors evolve.



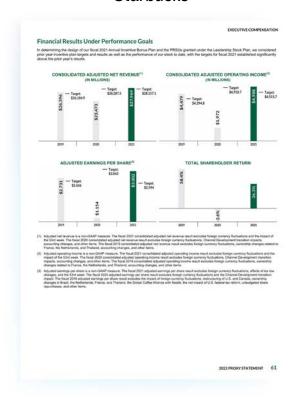
IBM

Evolution of goals over a three-year period

Cognizant



Starbucks



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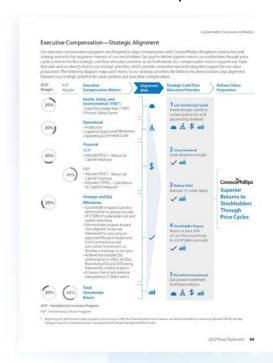


Clear Link Between Compensation Program and Strategy

• Compensation program complexity has been a criticism of investor groups, and with this in mind, the link between pay and performance/strategy cannot be made clear enough:

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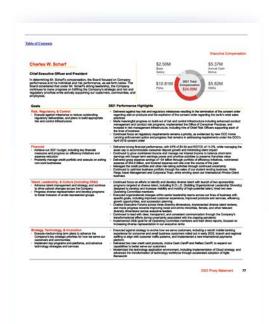
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