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#### CORE LABORATORIES INC.

6316 Windfern Road Houston, Texas 77040

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS To Be Held May 21, 2025

#### Dear Shareholder:

You are cordially invited to attend our 2025 annual meeting of shareholders (the "Meeting") of Core Laboratories Inc. (the "Company"), which will be held at the Hotel Zaza, Memorial City, 9787 Katy Freeway, Houston, Texas 77024, on Wednesday, May 21, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. Central Daylight Time ("CDT"). The Meeting is being held for the following purposes as proposed by the Board:

- 1. To elect one new Class II Director and to re-elect two current Class II Directors to serve under the terms and conditions described in the proxy statement until our annual meeting in 2028 and until their successors shall have been duly elected and qualified;
- 2. To ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP ("KPMG") as the Company's independent registered public accountants for the year ending December 31, 2025;
- To approve, on an advisory basis, the compensation philosophy, policies and procedures described in the section entitled Compensation Discussion and Analysis ("CD&A"), and the compensation of the Company's named executive officers as disclosed pursuant to the United States Securities and Exchange Commission's compensation disclosure rules, including the compensation tables; and
- 4. To transact such other business as may properly come before the Meeting or any adjournment thereof.

The election of the Company's Board members as described in agenda item no. 1 and the topics covered by agenda item nos. 2 and 3 have largely been presented to and approved by our shareholders at our prior annual meetings.

A list of shareholders entitled to vote at the Meeting will be available for review by any shareholder at our offices in Houston Texas, located at 6316 Windfern Road, Houston, Texas 77040. The list will be available for review beginning on the 10<sup>th</sup> calendar day preceding the Meeting through the close of the Meeting.

#### IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND IN PERSON:

Attendance at the Meeting is limited to shareholders as of the close of business Eastern Daylight Time on March 26, 2025, Company management and Company advisors. Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m. CDT and the Meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. CDT on May 21, 2025. Each shareholder desiring to attend MUST bring proof of share ownership as of March 26, 2025 with him/her to the Meeting along with a valid form of identification. Examples of proof of share ownership include voting instruction statements from a broker or bank. In addition, you should register with the Company beforehand to indicate your plan to attend. Registration may be made by contacting the Company's Secretary as described in the proxy statement. Failure to comply with these requirements may preclude you from being admitted to the Meeting.

It is important that your shares be represented at the Meeting regardless of whether you plan to attend. In order to be able to vote at the Meeting, you must be a record holder of shares (or otherwise a person with voting rights with respect to shares) at the close of business Eastern Daylight Time on March 26, 2025. Please mark, sign, date and return the accompanying proxy card accordingly, vote online or vote by phone, all as described in further detail in the proxy statement. If you are present at the Meeting and wish to do so, you may revoke your proxy and vote in person.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

Lawrence Free

Lawrence Bruno

Chairman

Houston, Texas March 31, 2025

# IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING THE AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIALS FOR THE 2025 ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS TO BE HELD ON MAY 21, 2025

The Notice of 2025 Annual Meeting of Shareholders and the Proxy Statement for the 2025 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, together with the Company's Annual Report to Shareholders, are available free of charge at www.proxyvote.com.

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#### PROXY STATEMENT

#### ABOUT THE 2025 ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

#### WHY HAVE I RECEIVED THESE MATERIALS?

This proxy statement and the accompanying proxy card are first being made available to you on the Internet on March 31, 2025, and written notice has been sent to our shareholders in a manner consistent with applicable law. If you receive notice of the materials and wish to request a physical copy of the materials be sent to you, those materials will be mailed to you upon receipt of your request. These materials are being furnished in connection with the solicitation of proxies by and on behalf of the Board of Directors of Core Laboratories Inc. (the "Company") for use at our 2025 annual meeting of shareholders (the "2025 Annual Meeting" or the "Meeting"), to be held at the Hotel Zaza, Memorial City, 9787 Katy Freeway, Houston, Texas 77024, on Wednesday, May 21, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. CDT for the purpose of voting on the proposals described in this proxy statement.

# WHY DID I RECEIVE A ONE-PAGE NOTICE IN THE MAIL REGARDING THE INTERNET AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIALS INSTEAD OF A FULL SET OF PROXY MATERIALS?

As permitted by rules adopted by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), we are making this proxy statement and our Annual Report on Form 10-K (the "Annual Report") available on the Internet. In order to be able to comply with applicable electronic notification deadlines, we will mail a notice to those persons who were shareholders as of the close of business Eastern Daylight Time on March 26, 2025, containing instructions on how to access the proxy statement and Annual Report and vote on-line or by phone. In addition, shareholders may request to receive proxy materials in printed form by mail or electronically by email on an ongoing basis. The proxy materials will be posted on <a href="https://www.corelab.com">www.corelab.com</a>. See the section below on "WHO IS ENTITLED TO VOTE" for the record date related to voting your shares.

Choosing to receive your future proxy materials by email will save us the cost of printing and mailing documents to you. If you choose to receive future proxy materials by email, you will receive an email next year with instructions containing a link to those materials and a link to the proxy voting site. Your election to receive proxy materials by email will remain in effect until you terminate it.

#### WHAT AM I VOTING ON?

You will be voting on the following matters proposed by the Board:

- To elect one new Class II Director and to re-elect two current Class II Directors to serve under the terms and conditions
  described in the proxy statement until our annual meeting in 2028 and until their successors shall have been duly elected and
  qualified;
- 2. To ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP ("KPMG") as the Company's independent registered public accountants for the year ending December 31, 2025;
- 3. To approve, on an advisory basis, the compensation philosophy, policies and procedures described in the section entitled Compensation Discussion and Analysis ("CD&A"), and the compensation of the Company's named executive officers as disclosed pursuant to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission's compensation disclosure rules, including the compensation tables;
- 4. To transact such other business as may properly come before the 2025 Annual Meeting or any adjournment thereof.

#### WHO IS ENTITLED TO VOTE?

We are sending notice of the 2025 Annual Meeting to those shareholders who hold shares of common stock at the close of business Eastern Daylight Time on March 26, 2025 in order to be able to comply with applicable electronic notification deadlines. As of March 26, 2025, there were 46,702,192 shares of common stock outstanding. Our shares of common stock are the only class of capital stock outstanding and entitled to notice of and to vote at the Meeting. Each outstanding share of common stock (consisting of issued shares excluding common stock held by the Company) is entitled to one vote. Holders of common stock do not have the right to cumulative voting in the election of directors.

#### HOW DO I VOTE BEFORE THE MEETING?

If you are a registered shareholder, meaning that you hold your shares as of March 26, 2025 through an account with our transfer agent, Computershare, you can vote by mail by completing, signing and returning the accompanying proxy card or you may vote online at www.proxyvote.com or by phone: +1-800-690-6903.

If you hold your shares, as of March 26, 2025, through an account with a bank or broker, you may vote by mail, online or by phone by following the directions that your bank or broker provides.

In order for your mailed or on-line vote or vote cast by phone to be counted, it must be received on or before 11:59 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on Tuesday, May 20, 2025. The official electronic voting results will be those reported by our vote tabulator, Broadridge Financial Solutions, in its final report upon the close of business Eastern Daylight Time on Tuesday, May 20, 2025. Any other proxies that are actually received in hand by our Secretary before the polls close at the conclusion of voting at the meeting will be voted as indicated.

#### MAY I VOTE AT THE MEETING?

If you are a registered shareholder as of March 26, 2025, you may vote your shares at the meeting if you attend in person. If you hold your shares as of March 26, 2025 through an account with a bank or broker, you must obtain a legal proxy from the bank or broker in order to vote at the meeting. Even if you plan to attend the meeting, we encourage you to vote your shares by proxy.

#### IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND IN PERSON:

Attendance at the Meeting is limited to shareholders as of the close of business Eastern Daylight Time on March 26, 2025, as well as Company management and Company advisors. Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m. CDT and the Meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. CDT on May 21, 2025. Each shareholder desiring to attend MUST bring proof of share ownership as of March 26, 2025 with him/her to the Meeting along with a valid form of identification. Examples of proof of share ownership include voting instruction statements from a broker or bank. In addition, you should register with the Company beforehand to indicate your plan to attend. Such registration may be made by contacting the Company's Secretary as described further in the proxy statement. Failure to comply with these requirements may preclude you from being admitted to the Meeting.

#### CAN I CHANGE MY MIND AFTER I VOTE?

You may change your vote at any time before the polls close at the conclusion of voting at the Meeting. You may revoke your proxy (1) by giving written notice to Mark D. Tattoli, Secretary, Core Laboratories Inc., 6316 Windfern Road, Houston, Texas 77040, at any time before the proxy is voted, (2) by submitting a properly signed proxy card with a later date, or (3) by voting in person at the Meeting.

If you hold your shares through an account with a bank or broker, you may revoke your proxy by following the instructions provided to you by your bank or broker, or by obtaining a legal proxy from your bank or broker and voting in person at the Meeting.

#### WHAT IF I RETURN MY PROXY CARD BUT DO NOT PROVIDE VOTING INSTRUCTIONS?

Proxies that are signed and returned but do not contain instructions will be voted "FOR" all proposals and in accordance with the best judgment of the named proxies on any other matters properly brought before the Meeting.

#### WHAT VOTE IS REQUIRED?

The attendance in person or by proxy of holders of a majority of the shares of common stock entitled to vote at the Meeting will constitute a quorum.

Our Bylaws provide that shares of common stock abstaining from voting will count as shares present for the purpose of determining the presence or absence of a quorum. The Bylaws also provide that broker non-votes will count as shares present at the Meeting or for the purpose of determining the presence or absence of a quorum. A "broker non-vote" occurs if you do not provide the record holder of your shares (usually a bank, broker, or other nominee) with voting instructions on a matter and the holder is not permitted to vote on the matter without instructions from you under applicable rules of the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE").

At the 2025 Annual Meeting, your broker nominee will not be able to submit a vote on any matter other than the ratification of the appointment of the independent registered public accounting firm, unless it receives your specific instructions. If your nominee does not receive your specific instructions for the remaining proposals, it will submit a broker non-vote.

Under the Company's Bylaws, Proposal 1 will require a plurality of votes cast in order to be adopted. Proposals 2 and 3 are non-binding advisory votes. Proposal 2 will require the affirmative vote of a majority of shares present in person or represented by proxy at the 2025 Annual Meeting and entitled to vote on such proposal. Proposal 3 will require the affirmative vote of a two-thirds majority of shares present in person or represented by proxy at the 2025 Annual Meeting and entitled to vote on such proposal.

For more information on each of the proposals, please see the section entitled "Agenda Items" beginning on page 54 of this proxy statement.

#### WHO WILL BEAR THE EXPENSE OF SOLICITING PROXIES?

We will bear the cost of preparing and mailing proxy materials as well as the cost of soliciting proxies and will reimburse banks, brokerage firms, custodians, nominees and fiduciaries for their expenses in sending proxy materials to the beneficial owners of our common stock. The solicitation of proxies by the Board will be conducted by mail and through the Internet. In addition, certain members of the Board, as well as our officers and regular employees may solicit proxies in person, by facsimile, by telephone or by other means of electronic communication. We have retained Okapi Partners LLC to assist in the solicitation of proxies for a fee of \$9,500 plus out-of-pocket expenses, which fee and other expenses will be paid by the Company. In addition to solicitation of proxies, Okapi Partners LLC may provide advisory services as requested pertaining to the solicitation of proxies.

#### **OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

#### Security Ownership by Certain Beneficial Owners and Management

The table below sets forth certain information, as of March 26, 2025, with respect to the common stock beneficially owned, or expected to be beneficially owned by:

- each person known by us to be the beneficial owner of more than 5% of our outstanding shares;
- each currently serving Director;
- each nominee for election as Director;
- each of our named executive officers in 2025;
- all Directors and executive officers as a group.

	Number of	Percentage of
Name of Beneficial Owner (1)	Shares Beneficially Owned	Shares Outstanding (2)
Ariel Investment, LLC (3)	10,045,256	21.51%
BlackRock, Inc. (4)	7,978,275	17.08%
Disciplined Growth Investors Inc (5)	5,503,651	11.78%
The Vanguard Group, Inc. (6)	5,364,333	11.49%
Earnest Partners LLC (7)	3,727,668	7.98%
Lawrence Bruno	189,397	*
Christopher S. Hill	80,937	*
Gwendolyn Y. Gresham	27,575	*
Mark D. Tattoli	15,872	*
Martha Z. Carnes	37,011	*
Harvey Klingensmith	32,645	*
Michael Straughen (8)	19,869	*
Kwaku Temeng	16,211	*
Katherine Murray	11,904	*
Curtis Anastasio	6,419	*
Rob Martinovich		*
All current Directors and executive officers as a group (10 persons)	437,840	*

<sup>\*</sup> Represents less than 1%.

- (1) Unless otherwise indicated, each person has sole voting power and investment power with respect to the shares listed.
- (2) Based upon 46,702,192 shares of common stock of Core Laboratories Inc. outstanding as of March 26, 2025.
- (3) Based upon an Amendment No. 6 to Schedule 13G filed with the SEC on November 13, 2024, Ariel Investment, LLC is deemed to be the beneficial owner of 10,045,256 shares. Ariel Investment, LLC has sole voting power of 9,584,631 shares and sole dispositive power with respect to all of the shares it is deemed to beneficially own. Ariel Investments' current address is 200 East Randolph Street, Suite 2900, Chicago, Illinois 60601.
- (4) Based upon a Schedule 13G filed with the SEC on January 22, 2024, BlackRock, Inc. is deemed to be the beneficial owner of 7,978,275 shares. BlackRock, Inc has sole voting power of 7,819,663 shares and sole dispositive power with respect to all of the shares it is deemed to beneficially own. BlackRock, Inc's current address is 50 Hudson Yards New York, NY 10001.
- (5) Based upon an Amendment No. 1 to Schedule 13G filed with the SEC on February 14, 2025, Disciplined Growth Investors Inc is deemed to be the beneficial owner of 5,503,651 shares. Disciplined Growth Investors Inc has sole voting power of 4,954,965 shares and sole dispositive power with respect to all of the shares it is deemed to beneficially own. Disciplined Growth Investors Inc's current address is 150 South Fifth Street, Suite 2550, Minneapolis, MN 55402.

- (6) Based upon an Amendment No. 1 to Schedule 13G filed with the SEC on February 13, 2024, The Vanguard Group, Inc. is deemed to be the beneficial owner of 5,364,333 shares. The Vanguard Group, Inc. has sole voting power of 0 shares and shared voting power of 48,990 shares. The Vanguard Group, Inc. has shared dispositive power with respect to 92,558 shares and sole dispositive power with respect to 5,271,775 shares. The Vanguard Group, Inc.'s current address is 100 Vanguard Blvd. Malvern, PA 19355.
- (7) Based upon an Amendment No. 11 to Schedule 13G filed with the SEC on February 14, 2024, Earnest Partners, LLC is deemed to be the beneficial owner of 3,727,668 shares. Earnest Partners, LLC has sole voting power of 2,749,915 and sole dispositive power with respect to all of the shares it is deemed to beneficially own. Earnest Partners, LLC's current address is 1180 Peachtree Street NE, Suite 2300, Atlanta, GA 30309.
- (8) Mr. Straughen is retiring from the Board effective at the conclusion of the 2025 Annual Meeting on May 21, 2025.

#### **Delinquent Section 16(a) Reports**

Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 requires Directors, named executive officers and persons who own more than 10% of our shares, among others, to file initial reports of ownership and reports of changes in ownership (Forms 3, 4 and 5) of our shares with the SEC and the NYSE. Such filers are required by SEC regulations to furnish us with copies of all such forms that they file.

Based solely on its review of reports and written representations that the Company has received, the Company believes that all required Section 16 reports were timely filed during 2024.

#### **Equity Compensation Plan Information**

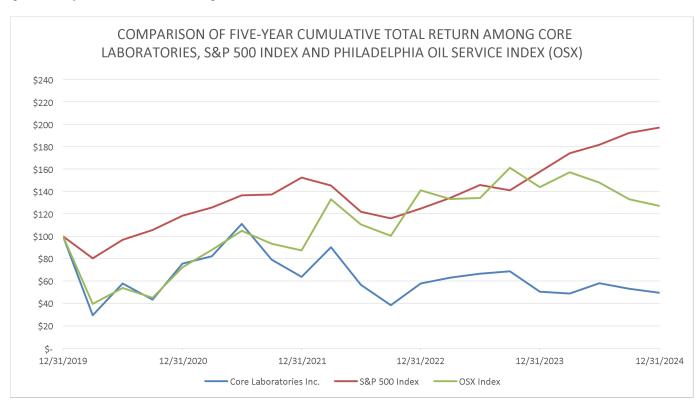
We have two main incentive plans, our 2024 Long-Term Incentive Plan ("LTIP"), and our 2023 Non-Employee Director Stock Incentive Plan ("2023 Director Plan"), both of which have been approved by our shareholders. The following table shows the balance of shares in each plan that remain available for future issuance and the number of shares that have been awarded, but not yet vested, under each of the equity compensation plans as of December 31, 2024.

	Number of Common Shares to be Issued Upon Exercise of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights	Weighted Average Exercise Price of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights	Number of Common Shares Remaining Available for Future Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans
Equity compensation plans approved by our			
shareholders			
LTIP	1,513,813	_	1,569,741
2023 Director Plan	55,902	_	436,340
Equity compensation plans not approved by our			
shareholders	<del></del>	_	_
Total	1,569,715	_	2,006,081

#### **Performance Graph**

The following performance graph compares the performance of our common stock to the Standard & Poor's 500 Index and the Philadelphia Oil Service Index ("OSX") for the period beginning December 31, 2019 and ending December 31, 2024. Core Laboratories is an established member of the OSX, which includes a greater concentration of our most direct peers.

The graph assumes that the value of an investment in our common stock and each index was \$100 at December 31, 2019 and that all dividends were reinvested. The shareholder return set forth below is not necessarily indicative of future performance. The following graph and related information is "furnished" and shall not be deemed "soliciting material" or to be "filed" with the SEC, nor shall such information be incorporated by reference into any future filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") except to the extent that the Company specifically incorporates it by reference into such filing.



#### INFORMATION ABOUT OUR DIRECTORS AND DIRECTOR COMPENSATION

#### **Board of Directors**

Set forth below is the biographical information for our Directors who will serve following the 2025 Annual Meeting and their respective committee assignments, including individuals who have been nominated for election as Class II Directors. You may vote for all, any one or more, or none of the nominees.

Nominees for Class II Directors (Term to Expire 2028)

#### Martha Z. Carnes

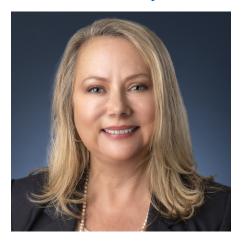


- Director since 2016
- Lead Director and Chairman of the Audit Committee
- Age: 64

Ms. Carnes retired from PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP ("PwC") in June 2016, where she had a 34-year career with the firm. She was an Assurance Partner serving large, publicly traded companies in the energy industry. Ms. Carnes held a number of leadership positions with PwC including the Houston office Managing Partner. She also served as PwC's Energy and Mining leader for the United States where she led the firm's energy and mining assurance, tax and advisory practices. In these roles, she was responsible for leading the design and execution of the market and sector strategies, business development, compensation, professional development, succession planning, and client satisfaction. As an Assurance Partner, Ms. Carnes had vast experience with capital markets activities and was the lead audit partner on some of the largest merger and acquisition transactions completed in the energy sector at that time. Ms. Carnes also served as one of PwC's Risk Management Partners and was PwC's United States representative on the firm's Global Communities Board. She is a certified public accountant.

Since December 2019, she has served as a director of SunCoke Energy, Inc., whose principal businesses are cokemaking and logistics, and is the Chair of the Audit Committee. Since July 2017, Ms. Carnes has also served as a director of Matrix Service Company, a services company that provides engineering, fabrication, infrastructure, construction, and maintenance services primarily to the oil, gas, power, petrochemical, industrial, agricultural, mining and minerals markets, where she chairs the Audit Committee and is a member of the Compensation and Nominations and Governance Committees. She is also a Member Representative for Ohio Valley Midstream, a member managed limited liability corporation engaged in natural gas and natural gas liquids gathering and processing. She is a member of the Board of Trustees at Texas Children's Hospital where she chairs the Operations, Planning and Philanthropy Committee and serves on the Executive Committee and Audit, Risk and Compliance Committee. Ms. Carnes is also a member of the Board of the Barbara Bush Houston Literacy Foundation where she chairs the Compensation Committee. Her financial expertise and experience in working with and auditing public companies in the energy industry, and her operational experience at PwC, a professional services firm, allow her to provide important insight to the Company.

# **Katherine Murray**



- Director since 2022
- Member of the Audit Committee
- Age: 63

Following a 33-year career serving the energy sector as a senior finance executive to large global corporations and as a public accountant, Ms. Murray retired from executive office in 2018. From that time, she has worked as an independent financial consultant and, since January 2024 has served as Chief Financial Officer for The Coalition for the Homeless, a nonprofit organization addressing homelessness in Houston and Harris County, Texas. From January 2021 to December 2023, she was Chairman of the Board and served as a member of the Finance and Communications Committees for the Foundation for the Women's Energy Network, a non-profit organization serving women in energy. From January 2013 until May 2018, Ms. Murray held progressive financial leadership roles at McDermott International, Inc. ("McDermott"), a global provider of engineering, procurement, construction, and installation solutions to the energy industry. Most recently, from 2017 to 2018, she served as Vice President and Regional Chief Financial Officer, Worldwide Finance Operations for McDermott's global assets and projects group. Her responsibilities included financial reporting, operational accounting, financial planning, tax, and strategic planning. Previously, from 2015 to 2017, she served as Vice President and Treasurer, where she was responsible for implementing strategies to optimize McDermott's capital structure and cash flows. Through these roles, Ms. Murray gained extensive experience managing lender arrangements and relationships across the globe, including the U.S., Europe, and the Middle East.

From 2016 to 2017, she also worked in Investor Relations for McDermott, and became responsible for optimizing shareholders' and analysts' relations and communications, including outreach programs in the U.S. and Europe. Prior to this time, from 1991 to 2012, Ms. Murray held progressive positions at El Paso Corporation (formerly Tenneco Gas, Inc.), a provider of natural gas and related energy products. As Senior Vice President, Tax from 2001 to 2012, she was responsible for over \$600 million of annual taxes, and gained significant experience in financial reporting, internal controls, worldwide compliance, tax litigation, entity structuring and financial planning and analysis. She was also a key contributor to El Paso Corporation's strategic initiatives, including mergers and acquisitions, dispositions and the ultimate \$3 billion sale of the business to Kinder Morgan in 2012. Ms. Murray began her career with Arthur Andersen, serving in their energy tax practice, and is a member of the Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants. She earned a Bachelors in Business Administration with a minor in Accounting from the University of St. Thomas. Ms. Murray's financial expertise and extensive experience working in senior finance roles in large global energy companies, as well as her public accounting experience. allow her to contribute key insights to the Company.

#### **Rob Martinovich**



- Director Nominee
- Proposed Member of the Nominating Committee
- Age: 67

Mr. Martinovich retired from ONEOK, a diversified energy infrastructure company headquartered in Tulsa, Oklahoma, in December 2022, after a 15-year career with the company. He was Executive Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer, responsible for environment, safety and health ("ESH"), human resources, corporate services and information technology. Mr. Martinovich also served as Executive Vice President - Commercial of ONEOK, Executive Vice President - Operations of ONEOK and ONEOK Partners, and Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of ONEOK and ONEOK Partners. He was also ONEOK's Chief Operating Officer responsible for natural gas distribution and energy services segments, as well as the company's ESH and technical services organizations. He started his ONEOK career in 2007 as President of ONEOK Partners natural gas gathering and processing commercial and operations activities in the Mid-Continent and Rockies. Before joining ONEOK, Mr. Martinovich was Group Vice President of ESH, operations, and technical services at DCP Midstream, LLC ("DCP Midstream"). He started with the company in 2000 as Senior Vice President responsible for the Permian Basin assets, then held the same position overseeing the Mid-Continent and Rocky Mountain assets.

Mr. Martinovich went to DCP Midstream after a 20-year career at Phillips Petroleum Company ("Phillips"). He was Senior Vice President of GPM Gas Corporation, the natural gas gathering, processing and marketing subsidiary of Phillips. He joined Phillips as a resin development engineer in 1980 and held various positions in the research and development and the plastics divisions before holding several leadership positions at GPM Gas Corporation. Mr. Martinovich has been a board member of the Saint Simeon's Foundation and the Tulsa Community College Foundation since 2019. He is also an advisory council member of Grand Mental Health. A prior board member, campaign chair and board chair with the Tulsa Area United Way ("TAUW"), Mr. Martinovich served as the Endowment Committee Chair in conjunction with the 2024 TAUW centennial. He previously served on the board of the YMCA of Greater Tulsa for nine years. Mr. Martinovich's extensive executive leadership and broad expertise in the midstream sector allow him to provide important insight to the Company.

#### Continuing Class III Directors (Term to Expire 2027)

#### **Lawrence Bruno**



- President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman
- Director since 2018
- Age: 65

Mr. Bruno became President of the Company on February 1, 2018, and on January 1, 2019, he also assumed the position of Chief Operating Officer. On May 20, 2020, Mr. Bruno succeeded Mr. David Demshur as the Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer and has led the Company's global operations for both of its business segments, Reservoir Description and Production Enhancement. Over the last several years, Mr. Bruno has served as a technical spokesperson for many investor presentations and panels in the oil and gas industry and has been instrumental in driving the Company's technology innovation that will continue to be a critical strength in the years to come. Mr. Bruno previously led the Company's global reservoir-based laboratories within the Company's Reservoir Description segment, from July 2015 through January 31, 2018. Mr. Bruno has been in the industry for more than 35 years and with the Company for more than 23 years.

Prior to being named as President of the Petroleum Services division in July 2015, Mr. Bruno was the General Manager of U.S. Rocks from 1999 to July 2015. Prior to joining the Company, he was employed at an oil and gas service company for 14 years before it was acquired by the Company in 1999. Mr. Bruno received a Master's of Science degree in Geology in 1987 from the University of Houston. Mr. Bruno's extensive operations and management experience at the Company makes him well-suited to lead the Company as Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board.

## **Kwaku Temeng**



- Director since 2021
- Chairman of the Nominating Committee and member of the Compensation Committee
- Age: 70

Mr. Temeng retired from Aramco Services Company ("ASC") in Houston, Texas in May of 2021, where he served as Director of Upstream since 2007. During his tenure, he was responsible for managing Saudi Aramco's upstream technology and business programs in North America. These included cultivating business relationships, evaluating commercial opportunities, performing analyses of technology trends and best practices, and overseeing technical studies undertaken by commercial laboratories, universities, and technology centers. Prior to his final assignment, Mr. Temeng worked for 14 years with Saudi Aramco in Saudi Arabia where he held a variety of professional, managerial, and advisory positions. He oversaw managing the company's drilling budget development, coordination of petroleum engineering studies and served as a special advisor to senior management. He was instrumental in developing the framework for Saudi Aramco's upstream research and development program. In his assignments with Saudi Aramco and ASC, Mr. Temeng combined his knowledge of engineering and economics to direct production planning, budgeting, and technical studies for the world's largest producing company. He also administered contracts and relationships with all the major oilfield services companies, and in the process has gained great insight from the client perspective into what drives successful relationships between producing companies and service providers.

Before joining Saudi Aramco, Mr. Temeng worked in the U.S. as a petroleum engineer with Exxon Company USA and Mobil Oil Corporation. Mr. Temeng earned a Bachelor's degree in Ocean Engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), a Master of Science, Master of Engineering and Doctorate degrees in Petroleum Engineering from Stanford University. He served as a member of the Stanford University Earth Sciences Advisory Board and the Society of Petroleum Engineers and is licensed as a professional petroleum engineer in the State of California. Mr. Temeng's experience in the oil and gas industry and expertise in petroleum engineering allow him to provide valuable insight to the Company.

### **Harvey Klingensmith**



- Director since 2020
- Chairman of the Compensation Committee and member of the Nominating Committee
- Age: 72

Mr. Klingensmith, a native of Denver, Colorado, retired from executive office at the end of January 2019 after numerous executive leadership positions in the oil and gas industry. Mr. Klingensmith co-founded and served as Chief Executive Officer and Board member of Ajax Resources LLC ("Ajax"), an exploration and production company focused on oil and gas development in the Permian Basin. He served as Chief Executive Officer from its founding in July 2015 until October 2017 and served on the Board until its sale in 2018. As Co-Founder and Chief Executive Officer of Ajax, Mr. Klingensmith was instrumental in successfully putting together the \$425 million financing package necessary to start Ajax; recruited key personnel needed to build and run the business; and executed key business initiatives that resulted in production growth from 2,000 to 18,500 barrels of oil equivalent per day and Ajax's sale to Diamondback Energy for \$1.24 billion. Mr. Klingensmith was also President of Wyatt Energy LLC ("Wyatt"), a privately held, independent oil and gas exploration and production company based in Houston, Texas, focused on the identification of and investment in unique opportunities in the oil and gas space, from April 2014 through January 2018. He led this effort simultaneously with his roles at Ajax.

Mr. Klingensmith also co-founded and served as Chief Executive Officer of Spoke Resources Ltd. ("Spoke"), including its predecessor entity Stone Mountain Resources Ltd ("Stone"), from April 2006 through August 2018. Spoke was a large natural gas production company headquartered in Calgary, Alberta, and had its primary producing asset in NE British Columbia before its sale to Surmont Oil and Gas in 2018. During his tenure at Spoke and Stone, Mr. Klingensmith led efforts to raise capital, headed operations and production growth as well as gained experience with financially distressed companies during Stone's entry into receivership and exit as Spoke before its sale to Surmont Oil and Gas in 2018. Prior to entering the private space Mr. Klingensmith had served as President of El Paso Canada (2002-2004), Senior Vice President Worldwide Exploration for Coastal Oil and Gas (1994-2001), and Vice President of Worldwide Exploration of Maxus Energy (1986-1993). Mr. Klingensmith received dual Bachelor of Science degrees in Geological Engineering and Geophysical Engineering from the Colorado School of Mines in 1975. He is an active member of the Society of Petroleum Engineers, the American Association of Petroleum Geologists and the Society of Exploration Geophysicists. Mr. Klingensmith's over 44 years of diverse experience in the upstream oil and gas business along with his proven leadership and executive oversight experience make him a valuable addition to our board.

#### **Curtis Anastasio**



- Director since 2023
- Member of the Audit Committee
- Age: 68

Mr. Anastasio retired from executive office in 2013, having spent over 35 years in various leadership positions in the upstream, midstream and downstream sectors of the oil and gas industry. At various stages over the course of his career, Mr. Anastasio has been responsible for supply, trading, transportation, marketing, business development and legal & regulatory affairs. He began his career in the industry in 1988 with Ultramar plc, an integrated oil and gas company with assets principally in the United States, Canada, Latin America, the United Kingdom and Asia Pacific. In a series of acquisitions, Ultramar's midstream assets were ultimately acquired by NuStar Energy L.P., a publicly traded energy master limited partnership based in San Antonio, Texas. Mr. Anastasio was appointed President and Chief Executive Officer of NuStar in April 2001, leading the company's initial public offering. He served in that role until his retirement on December 31, 2013. Under Mr. Anastasio's leadership, NuStar grew from a small business to a Fortune 500 company. NuStar received many awards and recognition during his tenure, including being named by Fortune magazine as one of the 100 Best Companies to Work for in America every year since 2007 and Forbes Magazine's 100 Most Trustworthy Companies. In 2013. Mr. Anastasio was elected to the San Antonio Business Hall of Fame. Mr. Anastasio presently serves on the boards of two publicly traded companies, both of which are listed on the New York Stock Exchange. From May 2014 until July 2023, he served as the Chairman of GasLog Partners L.P., an international owner, operator and manager of liquefied natural gas carriers, providing support to international energy companies as part of their LNG logistics chain.

As Executive Chairman, he led the company's initial public offering in May 2014. Mr. Anastasio also serves on the Board and as Chairman of the Audit Committee of Par Pacific Holdings, Inc., an energy company with primary interests in refining, retail and logistics, including a refining, marketing and logistics business in Hawaii, refining and logistics businesses in Washington, Montana and Wyoming and a retail distribution network in the Pacific Northwest. The company also owns an equity interest in a joint venture focused on natural gas production. Finally, Mr. Anastasio serves on the Board and as Chairman of the Audit Committee of The Chemours Company, which was spun out from DuPont in 2015. A multinational specialty chemicals company providing titanium technologies, fluoroproducts and chemical solutions, Chemours ingredients are found in plastics and coatings, refrigeration and air conditioning, mining and oil refining operations and general industrial manufacturing. Mr. Anastasio also served as a director of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas for six years from 2014 through 2019. In addition to participating in various volunteer activities, Mr. Anastasio has served as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the United Way of San Antonio and Bexar County, Chairman of the Alamo Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America, and Chairman of the National Association of Publicly Traded Partnerships. Mr. Anastasio received a Juris Doctorate degree from Harvard Law School in 1981 and a Bachelor of Arts degree, magna cum laude, from Cornell University in 1978. Prior to focusing his career on the oil and gas industry, Mr. Anastasio worked in private practice as a corporate attorney in New York City.

#### **Non-Executive Director Compensation**

The following table sets forth a summary of the compensation we paid to our non-executive Directors in 2024. Directors who are our full-time employees receive no compensation for serving as Directors.

# Director Compensation for Year Ended December 31, 2024

Name (1)	Fee Earned or Paid in Cash (\$)	Stock Awards (2)(3)(\$)	Total (\$)
Curtis Anastasio	75,000	159,236	234,236
Martha Z. Carnes	127,500	159,236	286,736
Harvey Klingensmith	80,000	159,236	239,236
Katherine A. Murray	77,500	159,236	236,736
Michael Straughen (4)	102,500	159,236	261,736
Kwaku Temeng	92,500	159,236	251,736

- (1) Mr. Bruno is not included in this table because he received no additional compensation for his service as a Director. The compensation earned by Mr. Bruno in 2024 is shown under "Information About our Named Executive Officers and Executive Compensation-Summary Compensation."
- (2) The amounts included in the "Stock Awards" column include the aggregate grant date fair value of the equity-based awards granted under the Restricted Share Award Program during 2024. This value was computed in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") Topic 718, Compensation-Stock Compensation, by discounting the share price on the date of grant by dividends expected to be paid during the term of the award. Assumptions used in the calculation of these amounts are included in Note 17 to our audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024, and are included in our annual report on Form 10-K.
- (3) Each of our currently serving non-executive Directors had 9,317 restricted stock awards granted in 2024 and outstanding as of December 31, 2024.
- (4) Mr. Straughen is retiring from the Board effective at the conclusion of the 2025 Annual Meeting on May 21, 2025.

#### Retainer/Fees

Each non-executive Director was paid the following amounts during fiscal year 2024:

- a base annual retainer, payable semiannually in arrears, in the amount of \$70,000.
- an additional annual retainer, payable semiannually in arrears, for the following positions:
  - o for our Lead Director, an additional \$25,000;
  - o for our Audit Committee chairman, an additional \$25,000;
  - o for our Compensation Committee chairman, an additional \$20,000;
  - o for our Nominating Committee chairman, an additional \$12,500;
  - o for each member of the Audit Committee, an additional \$7,500;
  - o for each member of the Compensation Committee, an additional \$5,000;
  - o for each member of the Nominating Committee, an additional \$5,000; and
- reimbursement for all out-of-pocket expenses incurred in attending any Board or committee meeting.

#### **Equity-Based Compensation**

Effective as of April 1, 2023, we made a grant of restricted shares to the non-executive Directors serving in 2023 in the amount of \$150,000, divided by the closing price of the Company's stock on January 13, 2023, rounded upwards to the nearest whole share for a total of 6,419 shares each. The restricted shares vested, without performance criteria, at the end of a one-year vesting period that began on April 1, 2023 and ended on April 1, 2024.

Effective as of April 1, 2024, we made a grant of restricted shares to the non-executive Directors serving in 2024 in the amount of \$150,000, divided by the closing price of the Company's stock on January 10, 2024, rounded upwards to the nearest

whole share for a total of 9,317 shares each. The restricted shares will vest, without performance criteria, at the end of a one-year vesting period that began on April 1, 2024 and ends on April 1, 2025.

Outstanding awards granted to the current non-executive Directors require the recipient's continued service as a director (other than termination of service due to death or disability) at the time of vesting for the recipient to receive the shares that would otherwise vest. In the event of an award recipient's death or disability prior to the last day of these vesting periods, his or her restricted shares would vest in accordance with the aforementioned vesting schedules. If an award recipient's service with us terminates (other than due to death or disability) prior to the last day of these vesting periods, his or her restricted shares would be immediately forfeited to the extent not then vested. In the event of a change in control (as defined in the 2023 Director Plan) prior to the last day of the aforementioned vesting periods and while the award recipient is in our service (or in the event of a termination of the award recipient's service upon such change in control), all of the award recipient's restricted shares will vest as of the effective date of such change in control.

#### Minimum Stock Ownership by Non-Executive Directors

The Compensation Committee has established a requirement that non-executive Directors must maintain equity ownership of Company stock, determined using the average price of the stock over the immediately preceding five years, in the minimum amount of five times the annual base retainer for the previous year. Non-executive Directors will be allowed five years to achieve that minimum equity ownership level. All current Directors are in compliance with the Compensation Committee's requirements.

#### Policy against Insider Trading

The Company has a written policy governing the purchase, sale and other dispositions of the Company's securities that is applicable to all Directors, Officers and employees of the Company, and to the Company itself in the repurchase of its securities. Among other things, the policy prohibits, without exception, (i) hedging or monetization transactions, including short sales, involving the Company's securities, (ii) transactions involving Company-based derivative securities, including trading in options contracts, entering into straddle, collar, cap or floor arrangements, and writing puts or calls; (iii) purchasing Company securities on margin; and (iv) pledging Company securities as collateral for debt obligations.

#### 2025 Non-Executive Director Compensation

On January 15, 2025, the Compensation Committee approved, effective as of January 1, 2025, an increase in the base annual retainer payable to our non-executive Directors in the amount of \$5,000, which action was ratified by the Board on February 12, 2025. As such, a base annual retainer in the amount of \$75,000 will be payable to our non-executive Directors serving in fiscal year 2025. Apart from this change, each non-executive Director serving in fiscal year 2025 will receive the same level of cash compensation in 2025 as received by Board members in 2024, and as further described above under "Retainer/Fees" on page 16 of this proxy statement.

In addition, effective as of April 1, 2025, we will award each of our non-executive Directors who will continue to serve on the Board after the conclusion of the 2025 Annual Meeting an amount of restricted shares equal to \$150,000 based on the closing price of the Company's stock on January 14, 2025, which was \$18.59 rounded upwards to the nearest whole share, which amounts to 8,067 shares. The restricted shares will vest, without performance criteria, at the end of a one-year vesting period that will begin on April 1, 2025 and will end on April 1, 2026. This award will be subject to an agreement to be signed by each recipient.

#### **Board Structure**

The Company has a single-tier board currently consisting of seven directors divided among three classes. Each class is elected for a three-year term such that the term of one class of directors expires at the annual meeting each year. Mr. Bruno currently serves as the Company's Chief Executive Officer (the "CEO") and as Chairman of the Board. Given the size of the Company, we believe our stakeholders are well served by having Mr. Bruno hold the Chief Executive Officer role along with being Chairman of the Board and that this is the most effective leadership structure for us at the present time. We also note that within our industry, the common practice is for the same person to hold both positions. We believe this structure has served us well for many years.

Ms. Carnes has served as our Lead Director since the 2020 annual meeting. The Lead Director has leadership authority and responsibilities and sets the agenda for, and leads all executive sessions of the independent directors, providing feedback, as appropriate, from those meetings to the Chairman of the Board. Ms. Carnes has served on the Board since 2016. She is deemed to be independent from the Company (according to applicable regulatory standards, as well as by shareholder advisory services such as Institutional Shareholder Services and Glass Lewis).

In its role providing risk oversight of the Company, the Board oversees our stakeholders' interest in the long-term health and overall success of the Company and its financial strength, as well as the interests of the other stakeholders of the Company. The Board is actively involved in overseeing risk management for the Company, and each of our Board committees considers the risks within its areas of responsibility. The Board and each of our Board committees regularly discuss with management our major risk exposures, their potential financial impact on us and the steps we take to manage them.

#### **Director Independence**

In connection with determining the independence of each Director of the Company, the Board inquired as to any transactions and relationships between each Director and his or her immediate family and the Company and its subsidiaries, and reviewed and discussed the results of such inquiry. The purpose of this review was to determine whether any such relationships or transactions were material and, therefore, inconsistent with a determination that a Director is independent under the standards set forth by the NYSE. With regard to Messrs. Straughen, Temeng, Klingensmith, Anastasio and Martinovich and Mmes. Carnes and Murray, none have ever held any position with the Company or any of its affiliates apart from their service on the Board and its committees, and all qualify as independent under Section 303A.02 of the NYSE Listed Company Manual.

As a result of this review, after finding no material transactions or relationships among the following Directors and the Company, the Board affirmatively determined that each of Messrs. Straughen, Temeng, Klingensmith, Anastasio and Martinovich and Mmes. Carnes and Murray, are independent under the applicable standards described above.

#### **Board Meetings**

The Board held four meetings in 2024. All Directors participated in 100% of the 2024 Board meetings. Additionally, all Directors participated in 100% of the meetings in 2024 of all committees on which he or she serves. Under our Corporate Governance Guidelines, Directors are expected to diligently fulfill their fiduciary duties to the Company, including preparing for, attending and participating in meetings of the Board and the committees of which the Director is a member. In 2024, all Directors participated in the 2024 annual meeting of shareholders. All current board members are expected to attend the 2025 Annual Meeting. Our director nominee, Mr. Martinovich, will also attend the Meeting.

Our non-executive Directors meet separately in executive session without any members of management present. The Lead Director presides over each such session. If any of our non-executive Directors were to fail to meet the applicable criteria for independence, then our independent Directors would meet separately at least once a year in accordance with the rules of the NYSE.

#### **Committees of the Board**

The Board has three standing committees, the identities, memberships and functions of which are described below. Each Director who is at the time "independent" and who has never served as a director of any affiliate of the Company may be considered for committee assignment at any time during their term, as determined by the Board.

#### Audit Committee

The current members of the Audit Committee are Mmes. Carnes (Chairman) and Murray, and Mr. Straughen. Mmes. Carnes and Murray will continue in their respective roles following the conclusion of the 2025 Annual Meeting. Mr. Straughen is not standing for re-election to the Board at the 2025 Annual Meeting. He will be replaced by Mr. Anastasio as a member of the Audit

Committee. The Audit Committee's principal functions, which are discussed in detail in its charter, include making recommendations concerning the engagement of the independent registered public accountants, reviewing with the independent registered public accountants the plan and results of the engagement, approving professional services provided by the independent registered public accountants and reviewing the adequacy of our internal accounting controls. Additionally, the Audit Committee is responsible for overseeing the quality and effectiveness of the Company's policies and procedures with respect to information technology systems, including enterprise cybersecurity and data privacy. Each member of the Audit Committee is independent, as defined by Section 10A of the Exchange Act and by the corporate governance standards set forth by the NYSE. Each member of the Audit Committee is financially literate, and Mmes. Carnes and Murray and Mr. Anastasio each qualify as an "audit committee financial expert" under the rules promulgated pursuant to the Exchange Act. The Audit Committee held four meetings in 2024. A copy of the Audit Committee's written charter may be found on the Company's website at <a href="https://www.corelab.com/corporate-business-executives">https://www.corelab.com/corporate-business-executives</a>. See "Audit Committee Report" beginning on page 51 of this proxy statement.

#### **Compensation Committee**

The current members of the Compensation Committee are Messrs. Straughen (Chairman), Klingensmith and Temeng. Following Mr. Straughen's retirement from the Board at the conclusion of the 2025 Annual Meeting, Mr. Klingensmith will assume Mr. Straughen's role as Chairman. Mr. Temeng will continue in his role as a member of the Compensation Committee and Ms. Murray will join the Compensation Committee as its third member. The Board has determined that each of the members of the Compensation Committee is (i) independent under the NYSE's rules governing Compensation Committee membership and (ii) a "non-employee director" under Rule 16b-3 of the Exchange Act.

The Compensation Committee's principal functions, which are discussed in detail in its charter, include a general review of our compensation and benefit plans to ensure that they are properly designed to meet corporate objectives. The Compensation Committee reviews and approves the compensation of our Chief Executive Officer and our senior executive officers, granting of awards under our benefit plans and adopting and changing major compensation policies and practices. In addition to establishing the compensation for the Chief Executive Officer and our other named executive officers, the Compensation Committee reports its recommendations to the Board for review and approval of awards made pursuant to our LTIP. Pursuant to its charter, the Compensation Committee has the authority to delegate its responsibilities to other persons. The Compensation Committee held two meetings in 2024.

The Compensation Committee periodically retains a consultant to provide independent advice on executive compensation matters and to perform specific project-related work. The consultant reports directly to the committee, which pre-approves the scope of work and fees charged. The Compensation Committee communicates to the consultant the role that management has in the analysis of executive compensation, such as the verification of executive and Company information as required by the consultant.

The Compensation Committee operates under a written charter. A copy of the Compensation Committee charter may be found on the Company's website at <a href="https://www.corelab.com/corporate-business-executives">https://www.corelab.com/corporate-business-executives</a>. See "Compensation Committee Report" beginning on page 50 of this proxy statement.

#### Nominating Committee

The current members of the Nominating Committee are Messrs. Temeng (Chairman), Klingensmith and Anastasio. Following the conclusion of the 2025 Annual Meeting, Messrs. Temeng and Klingensmith will continue in their respective roles, while Mr. Anastasio will depart the Nominating Committee and join the Audit Committee to fill the vacancy created by Mr. Straughen's retirement from the Board. Mr. Martinovich will join the Nominating Committee as its third member.

The Nominating Committee's principal functions, which are discussed in detail in its charter, include recommending candidates to the Board for election as Directors, recommending candidates to the Board for appointment to the Board's committees, reviewing succession planning for the Chief Executive Officer and other senior executive management, reviewing the Company's sustainability strategies, evaluating the Company's performance and compliance with its sustainability, corporate governance and social responsibility policies, and leading the Board in its annual review of the performance of the Board, its

committees and management. Each member of the Nominating Committee is independent as defined by the corporate governance standards of the NYSE. The Nominating Committee held two meetings in 2024.

The Nominating Committee operates under a written charter. A copy of the Nominating Committee Charter may be found on the Company's website at <a href="https://www.corelab.com/corporate-business-executives">https://www.corelab.com/corporate-business-executives</a>.

#### **Qualifications of Directors**

The Nominating Committee has the responsibility to make recommendations to the Board of Directors of candidates for the Board that the Nominating Committee believes will perform well in that role and maximize shareholder and stakeholder value. In considering suitable candidates for that position, the Nominating Committee considers, among other factors, the person's reputation, knowledge, experience, integrity, independence, skills, expertise, business and regulatory acumen and time commitments. In addition to considering these factors on an individual basis, the Nominating Committee considers how these factors contribute to the overall variety and mix of attributes of our Board as a whole so that the members of our Board collectively possess the diverse knowledge and complementary attributes necessary to oversee our business. Directors should be exemplary representatives of the Company and be able to provide a wide range of management and strategic advice and be someone that the Company can count on to devote the required time and attention needed in providing oversight of the Company. In the case of current Directors being considered for re-nomination, the Nominating Committee will also take into account: (i) the Director's tenure as a member of our Board; (ii) the Director's history of attendance at meetings of the Board and committees thereof; (iii) the Director's preparation for and participation in all meetings; and (iv) the Director's contributions and performance as a member of the Board.

Six of the seven members of the Board who will serve following the 2025 Annual Meeting are considered independent under applicable SEC and NYSE standards. For this year's Meeting and election, the Nominating Committee believes the candidates possess the characteristics outlined above and bring to the Board valuable skills that enhance the Board's ability to manage and guide the strategic affairs of the Company in the best interests of our shareholders and our other stakeholders.

A more complete description of the specific qualifications of each of our Board members and of this year's nominees are contained in the biographical information section beginning on page 9 of this proxy statement.

#### **Director Nomination Process**

From time to time the Nominating Committee may identify a need to add a new Board member that meets specific criteria or to fill a vacancy on the Board. The Nominating Committee also reviews the candidacy of existing members of the Board whose terms are expiring and who may be eligible for re-election to the Board. The Nominating Committee also considers recommendations for nominees for directorships submitted by shareholders as provided below. The nomination process is outlined below:

other Directors and senior management, and hiring a search firm, if necessary. Although the Nominating Committee does not have a formal policy with respect to diversity or apply a strict "Rooney Rule" approach, it considers a diverse pool of candidates for new member selection, considering each candidate's individual business and professional experience, demonstrated leadership ability, breadth of skills and acumen (including financial, industry, technology, business growth and diversification, ESG and other specialized skills). We view and define diversity in a broad sense, which includes gender, ethnicity, age, education, industry/profession, experience, and leadership qualities. As part of the nomination process, the Nominating Committee together with the full Board strive to achieve a balance of diverse backgrounds with a complementary mix of skills, viewpoints and professional experience in areas relevant to the Company's business strategy. Members of the Nominating Committee review

- the qualifications of prospective candidate(s), one or more of whom are then presented to the full Board for consideration and selection as a nominee.
- Shareholders seeking to recommend Director candidates for consideration by the Nominating Committee may do
  so by writing to the Company's Secretary at the address indicated on page 4 of this proxy statement, giving the
  recommended candidate's name, biographical data and qualifications. The Nominating Committee will consider all
  candidates submitted by shareholders within the time period specified under "Other Proxy Matters Information
  About Our 2026 Annual Meeting; Shareholder Proposals and Shareholder Access" below.
- The Nominating Committee recommends to the Board the nominee(s) from among the candidate(s) under consideration, including existing members of the Board whose terms are expiring and who may be eligible for reelection to the Board, and new candidates, if any, identified as described above.
- The nominee(s) are nominated by the Board and thereafter submitted to our shareholders for approval.

#### **Related Person Transactions**

Related person transactions have the potential to create actual or perceived conflicts of interest between the Company and its Directors and/or named executive officers or any of their respective immediate family members. Under its charter, the Audit Committee is charged with the responsibility of reviewing with management and the Company's independent registered public accountants (together and/or separately, as appropriate) insider and affiliated party transactions and potential conflicts of interest. The Audit Committee has delegated authority to review transactions involving employees, other than our named executive officers, to our General Counsel. We identify such transactions by distributing questionnaires annually to each of our Directors, officers and employees.

In deciding whether to approve a related person transaction, the following factors may be considered:

- information about the goods or services proposed to be or being provided by or to the related party;
- the nature of the transactions and the costs to be incurred by the Company or payments to the Company;
- an analysis of the costs and benefits associated with the transaction and consideration of comparable or alternative goods or services that are available to the Company from non-related parties;
- the commercial advantage the Company would gain by engaging in the transaction; and
- an analysis of the significance of the transaction to the Company and to the related party.

To receive approval, the related person transaction must be on terms that are fair and reasonable to the Company, and which are on terms at least as favorable to the Company as would be available from non-related entities in comparable transactions. The Audit Committee requires that there is a Company business interest supporting the transaction and the transaction meets the same Company standards that apply to comparable transactions with unaffiliated entities. The Audit Committee has adopted a written policy that governs the approval of related person transactions.

There were no transactions that occurred during fiscal year 2024 in which, to our knowledge, the Company was or is a party, in which the amount involved exceeded \$120,000, and in which any director, director nominee, named executive officer, holder of more than 5% of our common stock or any member of the immediate family of any of the foregoing persons had or will have a direct or indirect material interest.

#### **Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation**

During 2024, no named executive officer served as:

- a member of the compensation committee (or other Board committee performing equivalent functions or, in the absence of any such committee, the entire Board of Directors) of another entity, one of whose named executive officers served on our Compensation Committee;
- a member of the compensation committee (or other Board committee performing equivalent functions or, in the
  absence of any such committee, the entire Board of Directors) of another entity, one of whose named executive
  officers served as one of our Directors; or
- a director of another entity, one of whose named executive officers served on our Compensation Committee or the board of directors of one of our subsidiaries.

#### **Communications with Directors; Website Access to Our Corporate Documents**

Shareholders or other interested parties can contact any Director or committee of the Board of Directors by directing correspondence to Mark D. Tattoli, Secretary, Core Laboratories Inc., 6316 Windfern Road, Houston, Texas 77040. Comments or complaints relating to the Company's accounting, internal accounting controls or auditing matters will be referred to members of the Audit Committee.

Our Internet address is *www.corelab.com*. Our Corporate Governance Guidelines, Code of Ethics and Corporate Responsibility and the charters of our Board committees are available on our website. We will also furnish printed copies of such information free of charge upon written request to our Investor Relations department (investor.relations@corelab.com).

We file Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Annual Reports on Form 10-K and Current Reports on Form 8-K with the SEC.

These reports are available free of charge through our website as soon as reasonably practicable after they are filed with the SEC. We may from time to time provide important disclosures to investors by posting them in the investor relations section of our website, as allowed by SEC rules. The SEC maintains an Internet website at <a href="https://www.sec.gov">www.sec.gov</a> that contains reports, proxy and information statements, and other information regarding our Company that we file electronically with the SEC.

#### **Risk Assessment of Compensation Policies and Practices**

We have assessed our compensation policies and practices and found they are not reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on us. Our Compensation Committee and our Board are aware of the need to routinely assess our compensation policies and practices and will make a determination as to the necessity of this particular disclosure on an annual basis.

### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY

Core Laboratories maintains a corporate governance page on its website that includes key information about corporate governance initiatives, including Corporate Governance Guidelines, a Code of Ethics and Corporate Responsibility, and committee charters for the Audit, Compensation, and Nominating Committees of the Board. The corporate governance page can be found at <a href="https://www.corelab.com/sustainability/governance">https://www.corelab.com/sustainability/governance</a>.

The actions we are taking regarding corporate responsibility are posted both on our website and in our Annual Sustainability Report, which can be found at <a href="https://www.corelab.com/sustainability">https://www.corelab.com/sustainability</a>.

#### COMPENSATION DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

#### Introduction

This Compensation Discussion and Analysis section ("CD&A") describes our executive compensation program as it relates to our Named Executive Officers ("NEOs"). This CD&A also summarizes the Compensation Committee's process for making pay decisions, as well as its rationale for specific decisions related to the 2024 performance year. Our NEOs for 2024 are listed below, along with the title each NEO held in 2024:

Name of Executive	Age	Title
Lawrence Bruno	65	Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer
Christopher S. Hill	55	Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
Gwendolyn Y. Gresham	57	Senior Vice President, Corporate Development and Investor Relations
Mark D. Tattoli	_ 53	Senior Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel

Mr. Bruno, who is 65 years of age, became President of the Company on February 1, 2018 and on January 1, 2019, he also assumed the position of Chief Operating Officer. On May 20, 2020, Mr. Bruno succeeded Mr. David Demshur as the Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer and has led the Company's global operations for both of its business segments, Reservoir Description and Production Enhancement. Over the last several years, Mr. Bruno has served as a technical spokesperson for many investor presentations and panels in the oil and gas industry, and has been instrumental in driving the Company's technology innovation that will continue to be a critical strength in the years to come. Mr. Bruno previously led the Company's global reservoir-based laboratories within the Company's Reservoir Description segment, from July 2015 through January 31, 2018. Mr. Bruno has been in the industry for more than 35 years and with the Company for more than 22 years. Prior to being named as President of the Petroleum Services division in July 2015, Mr. Bruno was the General Manager of U.S. Rocks from 1999 to July 2015. Prior to joining the Company, he was employed at an oil and gas service company for 14 years before it was acquired by the Company in 1999. Mr. Bruno received a Master's of Science degree in Geology in 1987 from the University of Houston.

Mr. Hill, who is 55 years of age, has been with the Company for over 18 years, most recently as Chief Financial Officer, since May 24, 2018, after serving as Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer from May 2015 to May 2018. Since joining the Company in October 2006, Mr. Hill led the Company's Investor Relations effort, was Corporate Group Controller based in Amsterdam, and was Controller of Financial Reporting. Prior to joining the Company, he worked at Halliburton from August 2000 to October 2006 as Controller – Energy & Chemicals of the KBR Division and Corporate Director of Training and Accounting Research. Mr. Hill a CPA worked at Ernst & Young from January 1993 until August 2000, where he held the position of Manager his last three years there. Mr. Hill has a B.B.A. in Accounting from Texas A&M University, and an M.B.A. degree from Rice University.

Ms. Gresham, who is 57 years of age, has been with the Company for over 18 years. Since 2016 Ms. Gresham has served as Senior Vice President, Corporate Development and Investor Relations, leading the Company's Sustainability, Investor Relations, Risk Management, and Human Resources functions. Since joining the Company in October 2006, Ms. Gresham led the Company's Human Resources and Sustainability efforts, as Corporate Vice President based in Amsterdam from 2013 to 2016 and Director of U.S. Human Resources from 2006 to 2013. Prior to joining the company, Ms. Gresham worked at Texas Children's Hospital Integrated Delivery System and the University of Texas MD Anderson as Assistant Director of Leadership Development and Director of Human Resources, respectively. Ms. Gresham has a B.S in Business from Lubbock Christian University and an M.B.A. from Texas Women's University.

Mr. Tattoli, who is 53 years of age, has been with the Company for over 12 years, most recently as Senior Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel, since July 1, 2021, after serving as Assistant General Counsel since November 2012. Mr. Tattoli oversees all aspects of the Company's legal and compliance matters. Mr. Tattoli has 22 years of industry experience acting as inhouse counsel and outside counsel for companies in the petroleum industry across all sectors, including upstream, midstream and downstream. Prior to joining the Company, he worked in private practice initially with the law firm of Haynes & Boone LLP in

its Austin and Houston, Texas offices, and most recently as a partner at the law firm of Buchanan, Ingersoll and Rooney PC in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. While in private practice, Mr. Tattoli advised public and private clients on mergers and acquisitions, joint venture formation and structuring, debt and equity securities offerings, and general corporate governance and transactional matters. Mr. Tattoli has a B.S. in Chemical Engineering from the University of Notre Dame, and J.D. and M.B.A. degrees from the University of Texas at Austin.

#### **Executive Summary**

#### **Industry Conditions and Outlook**

The Company's outlook for continued growth in the demand for oil and natural gas remains constructive, and according to the latest International Energy Agency's report, global demand is expected to continue increasing in 2025 and beyond. In 2023, capital spending devoted to the exploration of crude oil and natural gas reached its highest level in over a decade with modest growth in 2024 and is expected to remain at similar levels for 2025. However, in the near-term crude oil commodity prices continue to be volatile, and recent forecasts predict crude-oil supply may exceed demand in 2025. Several years ago, OPEC+ and its key member, Saudi Arabia, established several mandatory and voluntary reductions in production that continued in 2024. The current production cuts are scheduled to be phased out gradually beginning April 1, 2025 and extending into October 2026; however, OPEC+ retains the discretion to pause or reverse the adjustments as necessary if there are imbalances in the market. Outside the U.S., international oil and gas projects continued to build in 2024 and are expected to continue growing into 2025 and beyond, particularly on long-cycle projects both onshore and offshore in the Middle East, South Atlantic Margin, and parts of Asia Pacific and West Africa. We continue to believe increased levels of investment will be required to maintain current production levels and satisfy growing global demand for hydrocarbons.

The United States Energy Information Administration (EIA) is forecasting that U.S. oil production will average 13.6 million barrels per day in 2025, an increase of 0.4 million barrels per day when compared to 2023 oil production. As such, the Company anticipates that U.S. land drilling and completion activity will remain stable in the onshore oil plays. Additionally, natural gas prices have increased more recently and are expected to remain at higher levels as demand for electricity continues to grow in the U.S. If natural gas prices remain at or above current levels or increase, the Company expects drilling and completion activity in U.S. onshore natural gas plays to also increase. The continued expansion of commercial data centers, electrification of the oilfield and increased demand for electricity is expected to be supplied by natural gas power generation. Additionally, the moratorium on LNG export terminal construction was recently lifted, which has alleviated concerns of limitations on future takeaway capacity. Recent and continued consolidation of oil and gas operating companies in the U.S. shale market may also disrupt or slow drilling and completion activity in the onshore plays impacted by those consolidations.

Although the Company's outlook regarding the exploration and production of oil and gas remains constructive, the geopolitical conflicts between Russia and Ukraine, conflict in the Middle East, as well the current landscape for U.S. trade policies and imposition of tariffs, have caused disruptions and instability in the movement and trading patterns of crude oil. These ongoing conflicts and international trade policy negotiations may continue to cause disruptions, which could adversely impact our business in the affected regions. The Company's volume of associated laboratory services is expected to be commensurate with the trading and movement of crude oil into Europe, the Middle East, Asia and across the globe.

The Company continues to focus on large-scale core analyses and reservoir fluids characterization studies in most oil-producing regions, which include both newly developed fields and brownfield extensions in many offshore developments in both the U.S. and internationally. In the U.S. we are involved in projects in many of the onshore unconventional basins and offshore projects in the Gulf of Mexico. Outside the U.S. we continue to work on both small and large-scale projects analyzing and quantifying crude oil and derived products in every major producing region of the world. Notable larger projects are in locations such as Guyana and Suriname, located offshore South America, Australia, southern Namibia and the Middle East. Additionally, some of our major clients have increased their investment in projects to capture and sequester carbon dioxide. The Company's activities on these projects have expanded in 2024 and are expected to continue in 2025 and beyond.

#### 2024 Business Achievements

During 2024, our key financial and operational performance results demonstrated year-over-year improvement and included top-quartile operating margin and return on invested capital ("ROIC") performance:

- Revenue increase of 2.8%, operating margin of 11.2% and EPS Yield calculated as annual EPS relative to average share price during the performance period yielding 3.7%;
- Based on Bloomberg's calculations using the latest comparable data available, our ROIC was approximately 8.7% and at the 52<sup>nd</sup> percentile of the Bloomberg Oil and Gas Services Comp Group (the "Bloomberg Comp Group");
- Total Recordable Injury Rate of 0.50 and Lost Time Injury Rate of 0.21 in 2024, on par with rates of 0.50 and 0.08, respectively, in 2023; and
- Industry-leading ranking among our peer group on several key sustainability indices and participation in notable sustainability-related indices in 2024 (including multiple MSCI indices), reflecting our emphasis on producing long-term profitable growth in a sustainable and responsible manner.

ROIC is a non-GAAP measure that the Company believes can be useful to investors when comparing profitability and the efficiency with which capital has been employed over time relative to other companies. ROIC is defined by Bloomberg as Net Operating Profit After Tax ("NOPAT") divided by Average Total Invested Capital ("Average TIC"), where NOPAT is defined as GAAP net income before non-controlling interest plus the sum of income tax expense, interest expense, and pension expense less pension service cost and tax effect on income before interest and tax expense over the trailing four quarters from the measurement date. Average TIC is defined as the average of beginning and ending periods' GAAP stockholders' equity plus the sum of net long-term debt, lease liabilities, allowance for credit losses, net of deferred taxes and income taxes payable.

#### **Compensation Actions**

Our executive compensation decisions included:

- No salary adjustments in 2024: NEO salaries remained unchanged in 2024 and no upward adjustment to NEO salaries have been made since October 2023.
- Negative discretion applied to NEOs under our annual cash incentive plan: Actual performance under the plan justified a payout at 72.6% of the maximum cash award for Messrs. Bruno and Hill and 76.8% for each of Ms. Gresham and Mr. Tattoli; however, based upon a broader assessment of the Company's financial performance and uncertainties associated with the Russia-Ukraine and the Middle East geopolitical conflicts, the Chairman of the Board, acting on authority conferred upon him by the Compensation Committee, approved a reduced payout of the earned bonus for each NEO. Payment of the bonus will be made during the second quarter of 2025.
- Continued commitment to 100% performance-based LTI Awards: We granted the NEOs awards exclusively in the form of performance-based equity awards for 2023, 2024 and 2025.

#### 2024 "Say-on-Pay" / Shareholder Engagement

Each year, we carefully consider the results of our shareholder say-on-pay vote from the preceding year. We also consider the feedback we receive from our major shareholders, which we solicit in various ways, including face-to-face meetings during the year. At our 2024 annual meeting of shareholders, 95.2% of votes cast approved our executive compensation program.

Our Compensation Committee believes that shareholder feedback, including the most recent say-on-pay vote, supports their view that our compensation programs remain aligned with the best interests of our shareholders. The Committee continually reviews the design of our programs to ensure proper alignment with shareholder interests, our industry peers, and compensation governance best practices.

Notably, the Company has consistently received say-on-pay shareholder support in excess of 95% in each of the past three fiscal years 2022, 2023 and 2024.

#### **Best Compensation Governance Practices & Policies**

Our executive compensation program is grounded in the following policies and practices, which promote sound compensation governance, enhance our pay-for-performance philosophy and further align our executives' interests with those of our stakeholders:

WHA	T WE DO	WHA	AT WE DO NOT DO
<b>√</b>	100% of NEO equity awards are performance-based and at-risk	×	No hedging transactions by executive officers or directors
$\checkmark$	Target performance for equity incentive awards set above the median of industry peers	x	No significant perquisites
<b>√</b>	Incentive awards based on both absolute and relative performance results, with no guaranteed payouts	x	No "single trigger" change in control cash severance benefits
$\checkmark$	Equity award grants subject to three-year performance periods to promote retention	x	Company stock may not be margined or pledged as collateral by executive officers or directors
$\checkmark$	Clawback policy applies to performance-based cash and equity incentive compensation		
<b>✓</b>	Compensation Committee advised by an independent compensation consultant		

#### **What Guides Our Executive Compensation Program**

#### **Compensation Philosophy and Objectives**

Our executive compensation program is designed to create a strong financial incentive for our NEOs to maximize ROIC and other financial and operational metrics, which we believe leads to long-term sustainable growth in stakeholder value. Our compensation philosophy is driven by the following guiding principles and objectives:

Guiding Principle	Objective
Pay for Performance	Drive performance relative to our financial goals, which are designed to achieve growth in shareholder returns and long-term value creation
Competitiveness	Provide compensation at levels that will attract, motivate, and retain highly qualified executives who are focused on the long-term best interests of our shareholders
Shareholder Alignment	Reinforce a culture of ownership and long-term commitment to shareholder interests through alignment with Environmental, Social and Corporate Governance principles

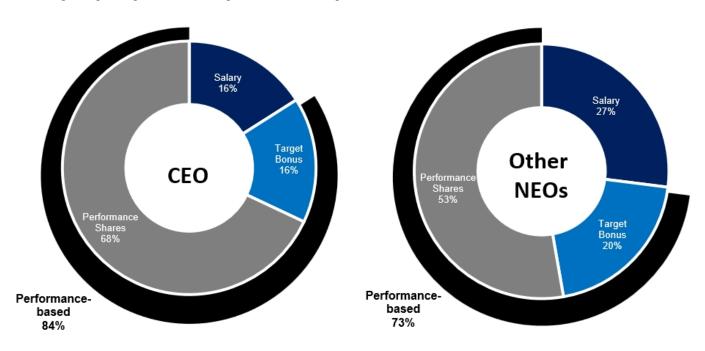
#### The Core Elements of Compensation

The core elements of executive compensation are summarized in the table below:

Element	Form	What It Does	How It Links to Performance
Base Salary	Cash (Fixed)	Provides a competitive rate relative to similar positions in the oilfield services industry and other service- based industries, and enables the Company to attract and retain critical executive talent	Based on job scope, level of responsibilities, experience, tenure and market levels
Annual Cash Incentive Plan	Cash (Variable and At-Risk)	Focuses executives on achieving annual financial and operational goals that drive long-term shareholder value	<ul> <li>Payouts: zero to 2.0x target for Messrs. Bruno and Hill and zero to 1.7x target for Ms. Gresham and Mr. Tattoli, based on annual performance</li> <li>Combination of absolute and relative financial and non-financial goals aligned with delivering sustainable, profitable results</li> </ul>
Long-Term Incentive Plan (LTIP)	Equity (Variable and At-Risk)	Provides incentives for executives to execute on longer-term financial and strategic growth goals that drive value creation and support talent retention	<ul> <li>Payouts: 0% to 175% of target, based on performance over a three- year period</li> <li>Combination of relative (ROIC) and absolute (TSR) performance metrics</li> </ul>

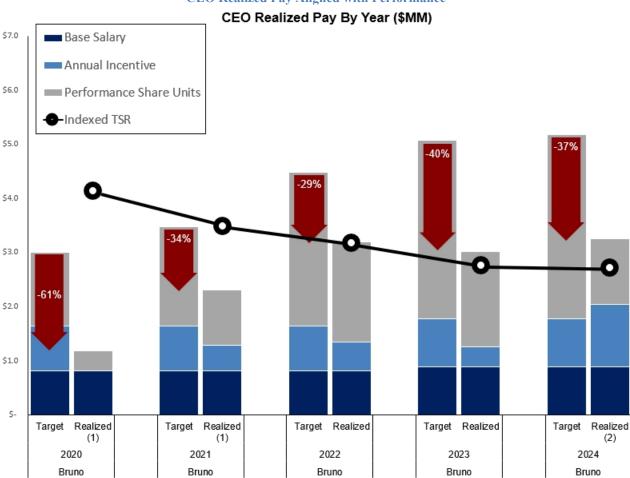
#### Pay Mix: Emphasis on Variable Performance-based Compensation

The charts below show the target compensation of our Chief Executive Officer and our other NEOs for fiscal year 2024. These charts illustrate that a majority of NEO compensation is performance-based and variable (84% for our Chief Executive Officer and an average of 73% for our other NEOs). The weighting of these compensation components puts a material, significant portion of the executives' total direct compensation "at risk" if Company performance declines or underperforms relative to the Bloomberg Comp Group and/or the Compensation Peer Group described further below.



#### CEO Realized Compensation: Aligned with Performance

Our emphasis on at-risk, variable and performance-based pay elements, particularly equity incentives, helps to ensure that the actual compensation realized by our NEOs aligns with returns to our shareholders. As shown in the chart below, the relationship between CEO realized and target pay over the past five years has aligned with our total shareholder return performance.



**CEO Realized Pay Aligned with Performance** 

- (1) Performance share units that vested in 2020 and 2021 resulted from grants made to Mr. Bruno prior to his appointment as Chief Executive Officer.
- (2) Mr. Bruno elected to take a voluntary 10% reduction in the earned amount of his annual incentive award for 2024, which but for the reduction would have been paid out at 145% of target.

Target compensation includes base salary, target annual incentive award, and the grant-date value of performance share units that could vest, if at all, in the relevant year. Realized compensation includes base salary, actual annual cash incentive paid, and the year-end value of performance share units that actually vested in such year, based on the closing price of the Company's stock on the last trading day of the year. Any performance share units vesting within the five-year period have been adjusted for the actual payout percentage based on the Company achieving the financial performance metrics associated with the grant. Similarly, the annual cash incentive earned in each year has been adjusted for any voluntary reduction in payout.

#### The Role of the Compensation Committee

Our Compensation Committee's principal functions include conducting periodic reviews of the Company's compensation and benefits programs to ensure they are properly designed to meet corporate objectives, overseeing administration of the cash incentive and equity-based plans, and developing the compensation program for our Directors.

The Compensation Committee generally focuses on compensation structures designed to reflect the middle range of the market. We believe that maintaining compensation opportunities in the middle range of our peer group supports recruitment and retention while ensuring that realized pay opportunities align appropriately with individual and Company performance. The Compensation Committee targets a market range rather than a specific percentile in order to respond better to changing business conditions, manage salaries and incentives more evenly over an individual's career, and minimize potential for automatic increases in salaries and incentives that could occur with inflexible and narrow competitive targets. The Compensation Committee links a significant portion of each executive's total compensation to accomplishing specific, measurable results based on both Company and individual performance intended to create value for shareholders in both the short- and long-term. Only when performance exceeds established targets would our executives receive more than the market median in total compensation due to incentive compensation.

#### The Role of Management

Our CEO provides recommendations to the Compensation Committee in its evaluation of our other NEOs, including recommendations of individual cash and equity compensation levels.

#### The Role of the Independent Compensation Consultant

Our Compensation Committee retains a consultant to provide independent advice on executive compensation matters and to perform specific project-related work. During 2024, the Compensation Committee engaged Meridian Compensation Partners ("Meridian") to provide information on pay levels and program design for 2024. Meridian reported to and acted at the direction of the Compensation Committee. The Compensation Committee assessed the independence of the firm pursuant to applicable SEC and NYSE rules and concluded that the firm's work for the Compensation Committee did not raise any conflict of interest for 2024.

#### The Role of Market Compensation Analysis

The Compensation Committee reviews several sources as a reference for determining competitive total compensation packages. For 2024 executive compensation recommendations, the Compensation Committee reviewed and considered Meridian's evaluation and analysis of compensation survey data from multiple general and industry-specific sources.

In addition, the Compensation Committee reviews proxy statement data from the Company's peer group (see below). This analysis was used to determine our NEOs' base salary, annual incentive targets and long-term equity awards (100% performance-based) for 2024.

#### Selecting the Peer Group

The Compensation Committee, with the assistance of Meridian, developed a peer group of companies to be used for compensation comparison purposes ("Compensation Peer Group"). The Compensation Peer Group consists of publicly traded oilfield services companies comparable in size to our Company in terms of annual revenues and the value of ongoing operations. The following companies comprise our Compensation Peer Group approved by the Committee in 2023 to evaluate the market for NEO compensation for 2024:

Bristow Group Inc.	Helix Energy Solutions Group	TETRA Technologies Inc.
Champion X Corporation	Oceaneering International	TechnipFMC plc
Dril-Quip Inc.	Oil States International	Tidewater Inc.
Expro Group Holdings N.V.	Precision Drilling Corporation	Weatherford International
Forum Energy Technologies	RPC, Inc.	

The Compensation Committee periodically reviews the composition of our Compensation Peer Group to ensure it remains appropriate. During 2024, the Compensation Committee approved changes to better align with our current size. The following companies were used to evaluate the market for NEO compensation for 2025:

Bristow Group Inc.	Helix Energy Solutions Group	TETRA Technologies Inc.
Champion X Corporation	Oceaneering International	TechnipFMC plc
Innovex International Inc. (fka Dril-Quip Inc.)	Oil States International	Tidewater Inc.
Expro Group Holdings N.V.	Precision Drilling Corporation	Weatherford International
Forum Energy Technologies	RPC, Inc.	SEACOR Marine Holdings Inc.

#### 2024 Compensation Program Details

#### **Base Salary**

Base salary is the fixed annual compensation we pay to an executive for performing specific job responsibilities. It represents the minimum income an executive may receive in any given year. We target annual base salaries in the middle range of our Compensation Peer Group for executives having similar responsibilities. The Compensation Committee may adjust salaries based on its annual review of the following factors:

- the individual's experience and background;
- the individual's performance during the prior year;
- the benchmark salary data;
- the general movement of salaries in the marketplace; and
- our financial and operating results.

As a result of these factors, a particular executive's base salary may be above or below the median of our Compensation Peer Group for a given year. The table below shows base salaries for each of our NEOs for the years ending December 31, 2024 and 2023.

Name of Executive	<b>December 31, 2023 (\$)</b>	<b>December 31, 2024 (\$)</b>
Lawrence Bruno	886,912	886,912
Christopher S. Hill	465,088	465,088
Gwendolyn Y. Gresham	407,888	407,888
Mark D. Tattoli	407,888	407,888

#### Annual Cash Incentives

All NEOs participate in our annual cash incentive plan. Under this plan, each NEO is assigned a target and a maximum bonus expressed as a percentage of his or her base salary. The target award opportunity is established as a percentage of the NEO's salary based upon a review of the competitive data for that officer's position, level of responsibility and ability to impact our financial success. The target bonus percentage and maximum bonus percentage for each NEO in 2024 is set forth in the table below.

		Award Percentages (% of salary)		0
Name of Executive	Title	Target		Maximum
Lawrence Bruno	Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer	100%	-	200%
Christopher S. Hill	Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer	75%	-	150%
Gwendolyn Y. Gresham	Senior Vice President, Corporate Development and Investor Relations	75%	-	130%
Mark D. Tattoli	Senior Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel	75%		130%

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The Compensation Committee has set performance goals that are consistent with the Company's business strategy and focus on creating long-term shareholder value. Performance is assessed based on the achievement of specific financial measures, safety metrics, operating objectives, and environmental, social and governance goals. The Compensation Committee may also consider individual contributions to performance results.

#### Relative Performance

Relative performance requires that NEOs achieve at least median performance among the Compensation Peer Group. The achievement of three different financial performance metrics accounts for 75% of the potential annual cash incentive award.

Metric	Description	Weight
Revenue	Change in the Company's annual revenue relative to Compensation Peer Group	25%
Operating Margin	The Company's margins relative to Compensation Peer Group	25%
EPS Yield	The Company's annual EPS Yield (EPS divided by average share price) relative to Compensation Peer Group	25%

Relative performance is assessed at the end of the year. Bloomberg data for the Compensation Peer Group is analyzed over a trailing four-quarter period ending with the third quarter of each year. This data is used to determine the Company's percentile ranking in the Compensation Peer Group for each metric.

For each metric, the NEOs can achieve a maximum score of 25 and a threshold score of 12.5 for a ranking between the 100<sup>th</sup> and the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile, respectively. Performance below the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile on any metric results in a score of zero for that metric. For example, if the Company's ranking for change in revenue compared to the Compensation Peer Group's change in revenue is at the 75<sup>th</sup> percentile, then the revenue metric would receive a score of 18.75.

Messrs. Bruno and Hill may earn up to 2.0x their target award opportunity, and Ms. Gresham and Mr. Tattoli may earn up to 1.7x their target award opportunity, for each metric in return for the Company finishing first (i.e., at the 100<sup>th</sup> percentile) in the Compensation Peer Group. Performance below the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile of the Compensation Peer Group on any metric will result in a zero percent payout for that metric. Payout for performance between the 50<sup>th</sup> and the 100<sup>th</sup> percentile for each metric is calculated using straight-line interpolation between the target and maximum award opportunities, as shown in the table below.

Percentile of Compensation Peer Group	Below 50 <sup>th</sup>	50 <sup>th</sup>	100 <sup>th</sup>
Payout as a Multiple of Target Award Opportunity (Messrs. Bruno and Hill)	0	1.0x	2.0x
Payout as a Multiple of Target Award Opportunity (Ms. Gresham and Mr. Tattoli)	0	1.0x	1.7x

#### Absolute Performance

Absolute performance accounts for 25% of the annual incentive award. The Compensation Committee evaluates the Company's overall performance giving consideration to the Company's standing relative to its peers as well as year-over-year improvement in the areas of safety and ESG. The Compensation Committee bases its determination primarily on objective third-party reports and may award a maximum score of 25, depending on the Company's execution in these areas. If the Compensation Committee determines that the Company's collective performance has declined, it may award as little as zero for this metric.

2024 Results
For 2024, our performance results were as follows:

Metric	Weight %	Ranking	Score	Multiple of Target Opportunity		
				Bruno and Hill	Gresham and Tattoli	
Relative Performance						
Revenue	25%	57 <sup>th</sup> percentile	14.3	1.1x	1.1x	
Operating Margin	25%	73 <sup>rd</sup> percentile	18.3	1.5x	1.3x	
EPS Yield	25%	60 <sup>th</sup> percentile	15.0	1.2x	1.1x	
Absolute Performance						
Safety and ESG	25%	N/A	25.0	2.0x	1.7x	
Weighted average				1.5x	1.3x	

As shown, the Company's percentile ranking at or above the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile up to the 100<sup>th</sup> percentile for each performance metric under the plan produces a score between threshold and maximum of 12.5 and 25, respectively. By linear interpolation, the score can be expressed as a multiple of the target award opportunity for each NEO. The contribution to total award for each metric is determined by multiplying (A) the weight percent for each performance metric by (B) the NEO's target award opportunity by (C) the multiple of target award opportunity for such performance metric, and then summing the result of each performance metric to obtain the total award earned. The table below reflects the annual cash incentive award earned by the NEOs and approved by the Compensation Committee. However, based upon a broader assessment of the Company's financial performance and considering affordability, the Chairman of the Board, acting on authority conferred upon him by the Compensation Committee, approved a payout of 90.0% of the NEOs' earned award.

		Target			
	Target Award	Award	Award	Award	
	Opportunity	Opportunity	Earned	Earned	
Name of Executive	(% of salary)	(\$)	(% of salary)	(\$)	Award Paid (\$)
Lawrence Bruno	100%	886,912	145%	1,288,134	1,159,321
Christopher S. Hill	75%	348,816	109%	506,614	455,953
Gwendolyn Y. Gresham	75%	305,916	100%	407,403	366,663
Mark D. Tattoli	75%	305,916	100%	407,403	366,663

#### **Equity Incentive Compensation**

We currently administer long-term incentive compensation awards through our LTIP. Under the LTIP, our NEOs are eligible to receive performance-based restricted share units, which is the only form of equity-based compensation received by our NEOs through our LTIP. We currently do not issue stock options or stock appreciation rights under any of our equity compensation programs.

Our Compensation Committee, based on recommendations from our CEO (other than with respect to awards for himself), determines the amount of each NEO's grant by periodically reviewing competitive market data and each NEO's long-term past performance, ability to contribute to our future success, and time in the current job. The Compensation Committee considers the risk of losing the executive to other employment opportunities and the value and potential for appreciation in our shares. The number of shares previously granted or vested pursuant to prior grants is not typically a factor in determining subsequent share grants to a NEO. The Compensation Committee considers the foregoing factors together and determines the appropriate amount of the award.

#### Performance Share Award Program ("PSAP")

PSAP shares vest if we achieve certain performance targets generally over a three-year period, which allows us to compensate our employees as we meet or exceed our financial performance measure.

#### PSAP Awards Generally

Under the PSAP, our NEOs are awarded rights to receive a pre-determined number of shares of common stock if certain performance targets are met at the end of a three-year performance period and as specified in the applicable grant agreement. Awards vest following the conclusion of each three-year performance period.

#### ROIC as a Performance Measure

Consistent with prior year awards dating back to 2010, our long-term incentive compensation program uses return on invested capital (ROIC) as the principal financial performance measure. In selecting ROIC as the key metric, we reinforce its importance with our NEOs and other senior leaders directly charged with influencing the inputs that drive ROIC performance. PSAP awards will vest if and only if the Company produces ROIC in excess of a threshold amount relative to the Company's peers in the Bloomberg Comp Group. Our Board believes that focusing on ROIC encourages capital discipline and thereby promotes long-term shareholder value creation.

#### 2022 PSAP Awards

On February 17, 2022, we made grants of 205,836 restricted performance share units to four of our current NEOs. The three-year performance period began on January 1, 2022 and ended on December 31, 2024.

The 2022 PSAP awards to the executives who were NEOs on the grant date were as follows:

Name of Executive	Target Award (in Shares)	2022 Performance Period ROIC Percentile Rank	Approved Percent of Target Award Earned	Actual Share Earned
Lawrence Bruno	127,424	52.3	54.6%	69,574
Christopher S. Hill	43,236	52.3	54.6%	23,607
Gwendolyn Y. Gresham	17,588	52.3	54.6%	9,603
Mark D. Tattoli	17,588	52.3	54.6%	9,603

#### 2024 PSAP Awards

For 2024, the Compensation Committee approved grants with the following performance standards and payout opportunities:

	Threshold	Target	Maximum
ROIC performance relative to peers	35 <sup>th</sup> percentile	55 <sup>th</sup> percentile	85 <sup>th</sup> percentile
Percent of PSAPs earned	50%	100%	175%

On February 15, 2024, we made grants (at target) of 389,570 restricted performance shares to our current NEOs serving in 2024. The three-year performance period began on January 1, 2024 and will end on December 31, 2026.

The PSAP awards to our current NEOs were as follows:

Name of Executive	Target Award (in Shares)	Maximum Award (in Shares)
Lawrence Bruno	234,124	409,717
Christopher S. Hill	79,442	139,024
Gwendolyn Y. Gresham	38,002	66,504
Mark D. Tattoli	38,002	66,504

#### TSR Adjustment Factor

Our PSAP awards include a TSR modifier such that the number of shares awarded for performance in excess of the target level of ROIC will be reduced by one-half if absolute TSR over the three-year performance period is negative.

#### **Executive Compensation Policies**

#### **Stock Ownership Requirements**

Alignment with shareholder interests is reinforced through meaningful stock ownership requirements among the NEOs. In order to help ensure that our NEOs maintain a meaningful ownership stake, the Compensation Committee has adopted the ownership requirements related to shares of common stock outlined below:

NEO	Required Ownership (multiple of salary)
CEO	5.0x
Other NEOs	3.0x

NEOs have five years from the date they become a NEO to comply with these guidelines as of December 31, 2024. All of our NEOs were either in compliance with their required ownership level or were still within the five-year compliance window for their position.

#### Clawback Policy

The Board believes that it is in the best interests of the Company and its shareholders to create and maintain a culture that emphasizes integrity and accountability and that reinforces the Company's pay-for-performance compensation philosophy. On November 8, 2023, the Board adopted a clawback policy applicable to performance-based compensation paid to the Company's executives. The policy applies to any current or former executive of the Company who is or, as of the effective date, was an "officer" as that term is defined in Rule 16a-1(f) of the Exchange Act, which consists of all Section 16 filers of the Company, including the Company's named executive officers.

The policy provides for the recoupment of incentive-based compensation in the event of an accounting restatement resulting from material noncompliance with financial reporting requirements under the federal securities laws. The Company's policy is designed to comply with the applicable rules of The New York Stock Exchange Listed Company Manual and Section 10D and Rule 10D-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. The amount of compensation subject to recovery under the policy would be the excess paid to the executive based on the erroneous data giving rise to the reinstatement over the amount that would have been earned by the executive had the incentive compensation been based on the restated results, computed without regard to any taxes paid. The policy applies to all incentive compensation granted, approved or awarded on or after October 2, 2023. The Compensation Committee is charged with administration of the policy.

#### Securities Trading Policy and Hedging Restrictions

We prohibit our directors, officers and employees from trading our securities on the basis of material, non-public information or "tipping" others who may so trade on such information. Additionally, our directors, NEOs and other Section 16 officers are prohibited from trading in our securities without first obtaining approval from our General Counsel. Each of our directors, officers and certain other managers are also subject to mandatory blackout periods during which they may not trade the Company's securities. For those individuals, trading in Company securities is permissible only during defined open trading windows (beginning one trading day after the publication of our quarterly earnings press release), and only if they are not then in possession of material, non-public information. No exceptions are permitted for trading outside these windows. The Company's stock may not be placed on margin. Moreover, any derivative transaction which effectively shifts the economic risk of ownership to a third party, or any transaction that hedges or offsets, or is designed to hedge or offset, any decrease in the market value of our securities, is not allowed at any time by our NEOs and managers (including our directors). The policy applies to all of our employees, officers and directors without exception.

#### Health and Welfare Benefits

We offer a competitive range of health and welfare benefits to all employees, including our NEOs. These benefits include medical, prescription drug, and dental coverages, life insurance, accidental death and dismemberment, long-term disability insurance and flexible spending accounts. Our plans do not discriminate in favor of our NEOs.

#### 401(k)

We offer a defined contribution 401(k) plan to substantially all of our employees in the United States. We provide this plan to assist our employees in saving some amount of their cash compensation for retirement in a tax efficient manner. Participants may contribute up to 60% of their base and cash incentive compensation, subject to the current limits under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). We provide discretionary matching contributions under this plan up to the first 4% of the participant's compensation and may make additional discretionary contributions.

#### **Deferred Compensation Plan**

Through our subsidiary, Core Laboratories LP, we have adopted a nonqualified deferred compensation plan that permits certain employees, including our NEOs, to elect to defer all or a part of their cash compensation (base, annual incentives and/or commissions) from us until the termination of their status as an employee. Participating employees are eligible to receive a matching deferral under the nonqualified deferred compensation plan that compensates them for contributions they could not receive from us under the 401(k) plan due to the various limits imposed on 401(k) plans by the U.S. federal income tax laws.

Discretionary employer contributions may also be made on behalf of participants in the plan and are subject to discretionary vesting schedules determined at the time of such contributions. Vesting in employer contributions is accelerated upon the death or disability of the participant or a change in control. Discretionary employer contributions under the plan are forfeited upon a participant's termination of employment to the extent they are not vested at that time. We made discretionary employer contributions to the nonqualified deferred compensation plan on behalf of Messrs. Bruno, Hill, Tattoli and Ms. Gresham in accordance with each executive's employment agreement.

Distributions of a participant's plan benefits can only be made under certain prescribed circumstances, such as termination of employment or upon a specified date as elected by the participant. In the event of a termination of employment (other than by death or disability) of a "key employee," distributions must be delayed for six months. A participant's plan benefits include the participant's deferrals, the vested portion of the employer's contributions, and deemed investment gains and losses on such amounts.

#### Other Perquisites and Personal Benefits

We do not offer any perquisites or other personal benefits to any executive with a value over \$10,000 beyond those discussed within this proxy and specifically in the table "Summary Compensation for the Years Ended December 31, 2022, 2023 and 2024" and the supplemental table "All Other Compensation from Summary Compensation Table" within this proxy statement.

We believe in the importance of providing attractive intangible benefits to all employees such as open and honest communications, ethical business practices, and a safe work environment.

#### **Deductibility of Compensation Over \$1 Million**

Section 162(m) of the Code generally limits the amount of compensation that may be deducted per covered employee to \$1 million per taxable year. A "covered employee" for purposes of Section 162(m) generally includes each of our NEOs. The Compensation Committee views the tax deductibility of executive compensation as one factor to be considered in the context of its overall compensation philosophy and will consider the impact of any material tax laws on our Company's compensation program. The Compensation Committee reviews each material element of compensation on a continuing basis to determine whether deductibility can be accomplished without sacrificing flexibility and other important elements of the overall executive compensation program. Accordingly, the Compensation Committee will continue to retain the discretion to pay compensation that is not deductible.

#### **Employment Agreements and Change in Control Agreements**

The employment agreements with Messrs. Bruno and Hill, Ms. Gresham and Mr. Tattoli remain in effect for and generally provide for severance compensation to be paid if the employment of these individuals is terminated under certain conditions. Effective February 1, 2024, the employment agreements for Messrs. Bruno, Hill, and Tattoli and Ms. Gresham were amended and restated, principally to conform the agreements following the change in domicile of the parent company from the Netherlands to the United States and eliminate the applicability of the ROIC performance metric as a condition to making discretionary employer contributions to the nonqualified deferred compensation plan. These agreements, as amended where applicable, are described in greater detail in "Information About Our Named Executive Officers and Executive Compensation – Narrative Disclosure to Summary Compensation Table and Grants of Plan-Based Awards Table – Employment Agreements."

#### Change in Control

As part of our normal course of business, we engage in discussions with other companies about possible collaborations and/or other ways in which the companies may work together to further our respective long-term objectives. In addition, many larger, established companies consider companies at similar stages of development to ours as potential acquisition targets. In certain scenarios, the potential for a merger or being acquired may be in the best interests of our stakeholders. We provide severance compensation if certain of our executives' employment is terminated following a change in control transaction to promote the ability of our senior executives to act in the best interests of our stakeholders even though their employment could be terminated as a result of the transaction.

#### **Termination Without Cause**

If we terminate the employment of a NEO without cause as defined in their applicable agreements, we would be obligated to continue to pay him or her certain amounts as described in greater detail in "Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change in Control." We believe these payments are appropriate because the terminated executive is bound by confidentiality, non-solicitation and non-compete provisions covering the two-year period immediately following termination of service and because the Company and each executive have mutually agreed to a severance package that is in place prior to any termination event. This provides us with more flexibility to make a change in senior management if such a change is in the best interests of the Company and our shareholders.

#### EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION TABLES

#### **Summary Compensation**

The following table summarizes, with respect to our Chief Executive Officer and each of our other NEOs as of December 31, 2024, information relating to the compensation earned for services rendered to the Company in all capacities during fiscal years 2022, 2023 and 2024.

### Summary Compensation for the Years Ended December 31, 2022, 2023 and 2024

Name of Executive and Principal Position	Year	Salary (\$)	Stock Awards (1) (\$)	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation <sup>(2)</sup> (\$)	Change in Postemployment Benefit Value and Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Earnings (\$)	All Other Compensation (3) (\$)	Total (\$)
Lawrence Bruno	2024	886,912	5,671,781	1,159,321	_	214,526	7,932,540
Chairman, President and	2023	886,912	6,514,988	371,109	_	215,074	7,988,083
Chief Executive Officer	2022	820,000	4,873,523	527,143	_	185,730	6,406,396
Christopher S. Hill	2024	465,088	1,924,532	455,953	_	63,495	2,909,068
Senior Vice President, and	2023	465,088	2,214,053	145,954	_	57,759	2,882,854
Chief Financial Officer	2022	430,000	1,653,626	207,322	_	44,700	2,335,648
Gwendolyn Y. Gresham	2024	407,888	920,625	407,403	_	52,112	1,788,028
Senior Vice President, Corporate	2023	407,888	899,514	115,584	_	50,718	1,473,704
Development and Investor Relations	2022	370,000	672,680	154,607	_	39,677	1,236,964
Mark D. Tattoli	2024	407,888	920,625	407,403	_	52,566	1,788,482
Senior Vice President, Secretary	2023	407,888	899,514	115,584	_	41,635	1,464,621
and General Counsel	2022	370,000	672,680	154,607	_	37,834	1,235,121

- (1) The amounts included in the "Stock Awards" column include the aggregate grant date fair value of the equity-based awards granted during 2022, 2023 and 2024, and have been computed in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718, formerly FAS 1231 disregarding any estimate for forfeitures. Assumptions used in the calculation of these amounts are included in Note 17 to our audited financial statements for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2022, 2023 and 2024. See "Narrative Disclosure to Summary Compensation Table and Grants of Plan-Based Awards Table" for a description of the material features of these awards. For accounting purposes, the probable outcome for the awards is the maximum level.
- (2) In 2024 all NEOs earned the cash incentive bonus in accordance with the achievement of performance metrics, however the CEO elected to award a reduced payment. With respect to the 2023 and 2022 years, Messrs. Bruno, Hill, and Tattoli and Ms. Gresham earned the cash incentive bonus in accordance with the achievement of performance metrics, however the CEO elected to award a reduced payment.
- (3) All Other Compensation is described in the section entitled "All Other Compensation from Summary Compensation Table."

#### All Other Compensation from Summary Compensation Table

The following table contains a breakdown of the compensation and benefits included under All Other Compensation in the Summary Compensation table above.

		Core 401(k) Contributions	Nonqualified Company- Deferred Owned Compensation: Life Contributions (1) Insurance (2)		All Other Compensation Total
Name of Executive	Year	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
Lawrence Bruno	2024	8,028	205,934	564	214,526
Christopher S. Hill	2024	10,936	52,323	236	63,495
Gwendolyn Y. Gresham	2024	13,050	38,877	185	52,112
Mark D. Tattoli	2024	10,177	42,250	139	52,566

- (1) The amounts reflect the additional discretionary contributions made by the Company with respect to the 2023 plan year and made in 2024 in the amount of \$170,600 for Mr. Bruno, \$44,800 for Mr. Hill, \$38,500 for Ms. Gresham and \$38,500 for Mr. Tattoli. These discretionary contributions were made in accordance with each executive's employment agreement subject to a threshold based on ROIC and will remain unvested until the executive reaches 62 years of age.
- (2) The amounts shown reflect the imputed income for premiums the Company pays for life insurance coverage for the NEOs, which insurance payments will be used to assist the Company with providing death benefits under the deferred compensation plan.

#### **Grants of Plan-Based Awards**

A total of 389,570 performance shares of plan-based awards at the target level were awarded to our Chief Executive Officer and to our other NEOs in 2024 under the Company's Long-Term Incentive Plan.

The following table provides information concerning each grant of an award made to our Chief Executive Officer and each of our other NEOs in 2024 under the Company's Long-Term Incentive Plan and our annual cash incentive plan.

#### Grants of Plan-Based Awards for the Year Ended December 31, 2024

			Estimated Future Payouts Under Non-Equity Incentive Plan Awards <sup>(1)</sup>		Estimated Future Vesting of Shares Under Equity Incentive Plan Awards			Grant Date Fair Value of Stock and Option
Name of Executive	Grant Date	Approval Date	Target (\$)	Maximum (\$)	Threshold (#)	Target (#)	Maximum (#)	Awards (2) (\$)
Lawrence Bruno	2/15/2024	2/14/2024	886,912	1,773,824	117,062	234,124		5,671,781
Christopher S. Hill	2/15/2024	2/14/2024	348,816	697,632	39,721	79,442	139,024	1,924,532
Gwendolyn Y. Gresham	2/15/2024	2/14/2024	305,916	530,254	19,001	38,002	66,504	920,625
Mark D. Tattoli	2/15/2024	2/14/2024	305,916	530,254	19,001	38,002	66,504	920,625

- (1) The amounts shown in these columns reflect the potential target and maximum values approved on the date of the awards. The amounts actually paid to the NEOs are reflected in the Summary Compensation Table above.
- (2) Awards shown are at maximum award values for the 2024 PSAP grants for the NEOs.

The following is a discussion of material factors necessary to have an understanding of the information disclosed in the Summary Compensation Table.

#### **Employment Agreements**

The information below describes the employment agreements that we maintained with Messrs. Bruno, Hill and Tattoli, and Ms. Gresham during the 2024 year, including any amendments that were made effective during the 2024 year, as applicable.

#### Lawrence Bruno

Mr. Bruno serves as President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company effective from May 20, 2020, pursuant to an employment agreement entered into on March 1, 2019 and subsequently amended and restated on October 15, 2021 and February

1, 2024. Unless either the Company or Mr. Bruno gives notice to terminate the agreement, the agreement will automatically renew each year on the anniversary of the effective date for a successive one-year term. Mr. Bruno's employment agreement entitles him to a base salary of \$886,912 per year, subject to increase at the discretion of the Compensation Committee, and the opportunity to earn an annual bonus of up to 200% of his then-current annual base salary dependent upon his reaching certain performance objectives established by the Compensation Committee and described above under "Compensation Discussion and Analysis – Elements of Compensation – Non-Equity Incentive Compensation." The employment agreement allows Mr. Bruno to participate in all of our benefit plans and programs that are generally available to our other executive employees.

#### Christopher S. Hill

Mr. Hill serves as our Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer pursuant to an employment agreement entered into on March 1, 2019 and subsequently amended and restated on October 15, 2021 and February 1, 2024. Unless either the Company or Mr. Hill gives notice to terminate the agreement, the agreement will automatically renew each year on the anniversary of the effective date for a successive one-year term. Mr. Hill's employment agreement entitles him to a base salary of \$465,088 per year, subject to increase at the discretion of the Compensation Committee, and the opportunity to earn an annual bonus of up to 150% of his then-current annual base salary dependent upon his reaching certain performance objectives established by the Compensation Committee and described above under "Compensation Discussion and Analysis – Elements of Compensation – Non-Equity Incentive Compensation." The employment agreement allows Mr. Hill to participate in all of our benefit plans and programs that are generally available to our other executive employees.

#### Gwendolyn Y. Gresham

Ms. Gresham serves as our Senior Vice President, Corporate Development and Investor Relations pursuant to an employment agreement entered into on March 1, 2019 and subsequently amended and restated on October 15, 2021 and February 1, 2024. Unless either the Company or Ms. Gresham gives notice to terminate the agreement, the agreement will automatically renew each year on the anniversary of the effective date for a successive one-year term. Ms. Gresham's employment agreement entitles her to a base salary of \$407,888 per year, subject to increase at the discretion of the Compensation Committee, and the opportunity to earn an annual bonus of up to 130% of her then-current annual base salary dependent upon her reaching certain performance objectives established by the Compensation Committee and described above under "Compensation Discussion and Analysis – Elements of Compensation – Non-Equity Incentive Compensation." The employment agreement allows Ms. Gresham to participate in all of our benefit plans and programs that are generally available to our other executive employees.

#### Mark D. Tattoli

Mr. Tattoli serves as our Senior Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel pursuant to an employment agreement entered into effective as of October 15, 2021 and subsequently amended and restated on February 1, 2024. Unless either the Company or Mr. Tattoli gives notice to terminate the agreement, the agreement will automatically renew each year on the anniversary of the effective date for a successive one-year term. Mr. Tattoli's employment agreement entitles him to a base salary of \$407,888 per year, subject to increase at the discretion of the Compensation Committee, and the opportunity to earn an annual bonus of up to 130% of his then-current annual base salary dependent upon him reaching certain performance objectives established by the Compensation Committee and described above under "Compensation Discussion and Analysis – Elements of Compensation – Non-Equity Incentive Compensation." The employment agreement allows Mr. Tattoli to participate in all of our benefit plans and programs that are generally available to our other executive employees.

#### **Outstanding Equity Awards at Fiscal Year End**

The following table provides information concerning stock that has not vested and equity incentive plan awards for our Chief Executive Officer and each of our other NEOs as of the end of our last completed fiscal year. None of our NEOs held unexercised options as of the end of our last completed fiscal year.

### Outstanding Equity Awards at December 31, 2024

	Performance Sha	re Award Program	<b>Restricted Share Award Program</b>			
Name of Executive	Equity and Incentive Plan Awards: Number of shares that have not vested (1) (#)	Equity and Incentive Plan Awards: Market value of shares that have not vested <sup>(2)</sup> (\$)	Equity and Incentive Plan Awards: Number of shares that have not vested (1) (#)	Equity and Incentive Plan Awards: Market value of shares that have not vested <sup>(2)</sup> (\$)		
Lawrence Bruno	681,188	11,791,364	_	_		
Christopher S. Hill	231,281	4,003,474	_	_		
Gwendolyn Y. Gresham	103,986	1,799,998	_	_		
Mark D. Tattoli	103,986	1,799,998	2,850	49,334		

- (1) Awards shown are at maximum award for the 2023 and 2024 PSAP grants for Messrs. Bruno, Hill and Tattoli and Ms. Gresham.
- (2) Market Value is based on the closing price on December 31, 2024 (the last NYSE trading day of the year) of \$17.31 per share.

#### **Vesting Schedule for Unvested PSAPs**

			Vesting Schedule at Maximur	
Name of Executive	Type of Award	Grant Date	2025	2026
Lawrence Bruno	PSAP	February 16, 2023	271,471	_
		February 15, 2024	_	409,717
Christopher S. Hill	PSAP	February 16, 2023	92,257	_
		February 15, 2024	_	139,024
Gwendolyn Y. Gresham	PSAP	February 16, 2023	37,482	<u>—</u>
		February 15, 2024	_	66,504
Mark D. Tattoli	PSAP	February 16, 2023	37,482	_
		February 15, 2024		66,504

#### **Vesting Schedule for Unvested RSAPs**

	Type of				
Name of Executive	Award	Grant Date	2025	2026	2027
Mark D. Tattoli	RSAP	May 1, 2019	200	_	_
		May 1, 2020	250	250	_
		October 1, 2020	700	700	_
		August 1, 2021	250	250	250

The following table provides information concerning each vesting of stock, including restricted stock, restricted stock units and similar instruments during the last completed fiscal year on an aggregated basis with respect to each of our NEOs.

## Stock Vested for the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	Stock Awards				
	Number of Shares Value Realize Acquired on Vesting on Vesting				
Name of Executive	(#)	(\$)			
Lawrence Bruno	69,574	1,204,326			
Christopher S. Hill	23,607	408,637			
Gwendolyn Y. Gresham	9,604	166,245			
Mark D. Tattoli	11,124	195,361			

#### **Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan**

The following table provides information relating to our NEOs' benefits in our nonqualified deferred compensation plans during the year ended December 31, 2024, including with respect to each NEO, the aggregate contributions made by each NEO during the year, the aggregate contributions made by the Company during the year on behalf of the NEO, the aggregate interest or other earnings accrued during the year, the aggregate value of withdrawals and distributions to the NEO during the year, and the balance of each account as of December 31, 2024.

### Nonqualified Deferred Compensation for the Year Ended December 31, 2024

Name of Executive	Aggregate Balance at December 31, 2023 (\$)	Executive Contributions in 2024 <sup>(1)</sup> (\$)	Company Contributions in 2024 (2) (\$)	Aggregate Earnings (Losses) in 2024 (\$)	Aggregate Withdrawals/ (Distributions) (\$)	Aggregate Balance at December 31, 2024 (\$)
Lawrence Bruno	2,576,515	168,236	205,934	301,438	_	3,252,123
Christopher S. Hill	945,171	69,439	52,323	216,262	_	1,283,195
Gwendolyn Y. Gresham	385,178	9,413	38,877	22,313	(51,447)	404,334
Mark D. Tattoli	452,592	30,592	42,250	154,566		680,000

- (1) All amounts reflected in this column were originally reported as "Salary" within the Summary Compensation table.
- (2) Company contributions are included in the Summary Compensation table in the All Other Compensation column for 2024.

The Company has made certain matching contributions on participant salary reduction deferrals to our nonqualified deferred compensation plan. The plan also provides for employer contributions equal in amount to certain forfeitures of, and/or reductions in, employer contributions that participants could have received under our 401(k) plan in the absence of certain limitations imposed by the Code. For additional information, see "Components of Executive Compensation – Deferred Compensation Plan."

#### **Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change in Control**

We have entered into certain agreements and maintain certain plans that require us to provide compensation and/or benefits to our NEOs in the event of a termination of employment or a change in control of the Company.

Messrs. Bruno and Hill and Ms. Gresham entered into their respective employment agreements on March 1, 2019, as amended and restated on October 18, 2021, and February 1, 2024, and each could receive potential benefits pursuant to those agreements at termination or upon the occurrence of certain events. The compensation and benefits described in the tables beginning on page 44 assume that any termination of employment for Messrs. Bruno or Hill, or Ms. Gresham, was effective as of December 31, 2022, and thus includes amounts earned through that date.

Mr. Tattoli entered into his employment agreement on October 18, 2021 as amended and restated on February 1, 2024, and could receive potential benefits pursuant to that agreement at termination or upon the occurrence of certain events. The compensation and benefits described in the tables beginning on page 44 assume that any termination of employment for Mr. Tattoli was effective as of December 31, 2022, and thus includes amounts earned through that date.

The tables beginning on page 44 provide estimates of the compensation and benefits that would be provided to the applicable NEOs upon their termination of employment or a change in control; however, in the event of an NEO's separation from the Company or a change in control event, any actual amounts will be determined based on the facts and circumstances in existence at that time.

#### **Employment Agreements**

#### The Bruno, Hill, Gresham and Tattoli Employment Agreements

Effective February 1, 2024, we amended and restated the employment agreements with Messrs. Bruno, Hill and Tattoli and Ms. Gresham, (collectively the "2024 Employment Agreements"). These agreements are also described in "Information About

Our Named Executive Officers and Executive Compensation – Narrative Disclosure to Summary Compensation Table and Grants of Plan-Based Awards Table – Employment Agreements."

Pursuant to the terms of the 2024 Employment Agreements, in the event that (A) any of the executives are terminated by the Company for any reason other than (i) death, (ii) Disability (as defined below), (iii) Cause (as defined below), or (iv) the executive's material breach of a material provision of his or her 2024 Employment Agreement, (B) the executive terminates his or her employment with the Company for Good Reason (as defined below), or (C) the Company determines not to renew the executive's employment agreement with the Company at expiration of the term, the executive shall be entitled to receive the following:

- (I) if such termination occurs at any time other than within two years following a Change in Control (as defined below):
- (1) an amount equal to the sum of (a) a multiple of the executive's annual base salary in effect immediately prior to the termination (such multiple being two (2) times for Mr. Bruno and one and one-half (1 ½) times for Mr. Hill, Ms. Gresham and Mr. Tattoli), plus (b) a pro-rata bonus calculated by multiplying the target incentive bonus amount for the year in which the termination occurs by the number of days during the applicable year that the executive was employed (the "Pro-Rata Bonus") (together, the "Severance Payment"); and
- (2) continued coverage under the Company's medical, dental, and group life insurance plans for the executive, the executive's spouse and the executive's dependent children after termination at no cost to the executive for twenty-four (24) months for Mr. Bruno and eighteen (18) months for Mr. Hill, Ms. Gresham, and Mr. Tattoli, and thereafter, such coverage may be extended provided the executive pays the employee portion of the insurance premium; accelerated vesting of outstanding equity awards, with the vesting of performance-based awards measured against performance criteria as of the most recent quarter-end; and reimbursement of up to \$25,000 for outplacement services for a period of twelve months following termination.
- (II) if such termination occurs at any time within two years following a Change in Control (as defined below):
- (1) an amount equal to the sum of (a) a multiple (three (3) for Mr. Bruno and two and one-half (2 ½) for Mr. Hill, Ms. Gresham and Mr. Tattoli) times the sum of (i) the executive's annual base salary as in effect immediately prior to the termination, and (ii) the target annual incentive bonus the executive could have earned for the year of termination, plus (b) the Pro-Rata Bonus (together, the "Change in Control Payment"); and
- (2) continued coverage under the Company's medical, dental and group life insurance plans for the executive, executive's spouse and the executive's dependent children at no cost to the executive for thirty-six (36) months for Mr. Bruno and thirty (30) months for Mr. Hill, Ms. Gresham and Mr. Tattoli, and thereafter, such coverage may be extended provided the executive pays the employee portion of the insurance premium; accelerated vesting of outstanding equity awards, with the vesting of performance-based awards measured against performance criteria as of the most recent quarter-end; and reimbursement of up to \$25,000 for outplacement services for a period of twelve months following termination.

In the event that the payments and benefits received by an executive in connection with a Change in Control constitute "parachute payments" (as defined in Section 280G of the Code), the payments and benefits provided to that executive shall either be reduced to \$1.00 below the amount that would subject the payments to excise taxes pursuant to Section 4999 of the Code, or paid in full, whichever will result in the better net tax position for the executive.

The 2024 Employment Agreements provide that any unvested contributions to the executives' accounts with respect to our Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan would vest upon the executive reaching age 62 and would likewise immediately vest upon (i) termination of the executive's employment due to death or Disability, (ii) non-renewal of the executive's employment agreement with the Company, (iii) termination by the executive for Good Reason, or (iv) a Change in Control event. The 2024 Employment Agreements also provide that notwithstanding anything to the contrary within an individual award agreement, any restricted stock awards granted to the executive will not be forfeited upon the executive's voluntary retirement on or after age 62. Additionally, the 2024 Employment Agreements provide benefits to each executive upon his or her voluntary retirement on or after age 62, consisting of continued coverage under the Company's medical, dental, and group life insurance plans for the

executive, the executive's spouse and the executive's dependent children after termination at no cost to the executive for twenty-four (24) months for Mr. Bruno and eighteen (18) months for Mr. Hill, Ms. Gresham, and Mr. Tattoli, and thereafter, such coverage may be extended provided the executive pays the employee portion of the insurance premium. Currently, Mr. Bruno is the only NEO that has reached the age 62 vesting requirement.

The Severance Payment or the Change in Control Payment, as applicable, will generally be paid to the executive in equal installments over a twelve-month period following the applicable termination of employment, although certain payments may be made at different times in order to comply with Section 409A of the Code.

The 2024 Employment Agreements contain customary confidentiality restrictions and impose noncompetition restrictions on the executives during their employment and for a period of two years following a termination of employment for any reason other than a termination by us without Cause or by the executive without Good Reason.

For purposes of the 2024 Employment Agreements, the terms below are generally defined as follows:

- "Cause" means the executive (i) has been convicted of a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude or a felony, (ii) has engaged in conduct which is materially injurious (monetarily or otherwise) to us or any of our affiliates, or (iii) has engaged in gross negligence or willful misconduct in the performance of executive's duties.
- "Change in Control" means a merger of the Company with another entity, a consolidation involving the Company, or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company if (i) the holders of equity securities of the Company immediately prior to the transaction do not beneficially own immediately after the transaction 50% or more of the common equity of the resulting entity, (ii) the holders of equity securities of the Company immediately prior to the transaction do not beneficially own immediately after the transaction 50% of the voting securities of the resulting entity, or (iii) the persons who were members of the Board of Directors immediately prior to the transaction are not the majority of the board of the resulting entity immediately after the transaction. A Change in Control also occurs when (i) there is shareholder approval of a plan of dissolution or liquidation of the Company, (ii) any person or entity acquires or gains ownership of control of more than 30% of the combined voting power of outstanding securities of the Company or resulting entity, or (iii) a change in the composition of the Board of Directors the results of which are that fewer than a majority of the directors are incumbent directors.
- "Disability" means that the executive has become incapacitated by accident, sickness or other circumstance that
  renders the executive mentally or physically incapable of performing the duties and services required of the
  executive pursuant to the 2024 Employment Agreements on a full-time basis for a period of at least 180 consecutive
  calendar days.
- "Good Reason" means (i) a material diminution in the executive's authority, duties or responsibilities, (ii) a permanent change in location of executive's principal place of employment that is more than 50 miles away from the prior location, (iii) a material breach by us of any material provision of the 2024 Employment Agreements, or (iv) a material diminution of the executive's annual base salary.

#### Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan

See the Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Table on page 41 and subsequent narrative discussion for a description of the benefits payable to the NEOs under the Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan upon death or separation from service and in connection with a change in control.

#### **Equity Award Program**

Awards under our PSAP and RSAP will vest in full (at target award) in the event an NEO's service is terminated by reason of his or her death or disability or upon the occurrence of a Change in Control. As of December 31, 2024, following the vesting of the 2022 PSAP award, based on grant date fair value under the Monte Carlo simulation method, Mr. Bruno has two PSAP awards worth \$11.8 million in aggregate, Mr. Hill has two PSAP awards worth \$4.0 million in aggregate, Ms. Gresham has two PSAP awards worth \$1.8 million in aggregate, and Mr. Tattoli has two PSAP awards worth \$1.8 million in aggregate and four RSAP awards worth \$49,000 in aggregate. Please see table in "Information About Our Named Executive Officers - Outstanding Equity Awards at Fiscal Year End" on page 39 for further description of the assumptions used to calculate the value of the awards.

The tables below reflect the amount of compensation that would be payable to each of Messrs. Bruno, Hill, Ms. Gresham and Mr. Tattoli in various scenarios involving termination of the NEO's employment, including following a change in control. The amount of compensation payable to each applicable NEO upon voluntary termination, involuntary not-for-cause termination (non-change in control), voluntary termination for good cause or involuntary termination following a change in control, involuntary for cause termination, and termination in the event of death or disability of each applicable NEO is shown below. The amounts shown assume that the termination was effective on December 31, 2024, and thus includes amounts earned through that time and are estimates of the amounts which would be paid out to the applicable NEOs upon their termination. The amounts payable upon termination following a change in control assume that the change in control occurred on December 31, 2024, and the termination was effective the same day. The actual amounts to be paid out can only be determined at the time of the applicable NEO's separation from the Company. Each NEO would also have available the value of unvested shares reflected in the Outstanding Equity Awards at Fiscal Year End table, if any. The value of accelerated equity award amounts reflected below have been calculated using the closing price of our common stock on December 31, 2024 (the last trading day of 2024) of \$17.31.

Lawrence Bruno	Voluntary Termination on 12/31/2024 (1) (\$)	Involuntary Not For Cause Termination on 12/31/2024 (1) (\$)	For Cause Termination on 12/31/2024 (\$)	Termination related to Change-in- Control on 12/31/2024 (\$)	Disability on 12/31/2024 (1) (\$)	Death on 12/31/2024 (1) (\$)
Compensation:						
Severance	_	1,773,824	_	5,321,472	_	
Short-term Incentive	_	886,912	_	886,912	_	_
Long-term Incentives:						
Accelerated Equity Award Programs	_	11,791,364	_	11,791,364	11,791,364	11,791,364
Benefits & Perquisites:						
Health and Welfare Benefits	356,800	356,800	_	356,800	_	_
Outplacement Services		25,000		25,000		
Accelerated Deferred Comp	_	_	_	_	_	_
Total	356,800	14,833,900	_	18,381,548	11,791,364	11,791,364
	Voluntary Termination on 12/31/2024 (1)	Involuntary Not For Cause Termination on 12/31/2024 (1)	For Cause Termination on 12/31/2024	Termination related to Change-in-Control on 12/31/2024	Disability on 12/31/2024 (1)	Death on 12/31/2024 (1)
Christopher S. Hill	Termination on	Involuntary Not For Cause Termination on	Termination on	Termination related to Change-in-Control on		Death on
Compensation:	Termination on 12/31/2024 (1)	Involuntary Not For Cause Termination on 12/31/2024 (1) (\$)	Termination on 12/31/2024	Termination related to Change-in-Control on 12/31/2024	12/31/2024 (1)	Death on 12/31/2024 (1)
Compensation: Severance	Termination on 12/31/2024 (1)	Involuntary Not For Cause Termination on 12/31/2024 (1) (\$)	Termination on 12/31/2024	Termination related to Change-in-Control on 12/31/2024 (\$)	12/31/2024 (1)	Death on 12/31/2024 (1)
Compensation: Severance Short-term Incentive	Termination on 12/31/2024 (1)	Involuntary Not For Cause Termination on 12/31/2024 (1) (\$)	Termination on 12/31/2024	Termination related to Change-in-Control on 12/31/2024	12/31/2024 (1)	Death on 12/31/2024 (1)
Compensation: Severance	Termination on 12/31/2024 (1)	Involuntary Not For Cause Termination on 12/31/2024 (1) (\$)	Termination on 12/31/2024	Termination related to Change-in-Control on 12/31/2024 (\$)	12/31/2024 (1)	Death on 12/31/2024 (1)
Compensation: Severance Short-term Incentive Long-term Incentives: Accelerated Equity Award	Termination on 12/31/2024 (1)	Involuntary Not For Cause Termination on 12/31/2024 (1) (\$) 697,632 348,816	Termination on 12/31/2024	Termination related to Change-in-Control on 12/31/2024 (\$)  2,034,760 348,816	12/31/2024 <sup>(1)</sup>	Death on 12/31/2024 (1) (\$)
Compensation: Severance Short-term Incentive Long-term Incentives: Accelerated Equity Award Programs	Termination on 12/31/2024 (1)	Involuntary Not For Cause Termination on 12/31/2024 (1) (\$) 697,632 348,816	Termination on 12/31/2024	Termination related to Change-in-Control on 12/31/2024 (\$)  2,034,760 348,816	12/31/2024 <sup>(1)</sup>	Death on 12/31/2024 (1) (\$)
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Compensation: Severance Short-term Incentive Long-term Incentives: Accelerated Equity Award Programs Benefits & Perquisites: Health and Welfare Benefits	Termination on 12/31/2024 (1) (\$)	Involuntary Not For Cause Termination on 12/31/2024 (1) (\$) 697,632 348,816 4,003,474 231,800	Termination on 12/31/2024	Termination related to Change-in-Control on 12/31/2024 (\$)  2,034,760 348,816  4,003,474  231,800	12/31/2024 <sup>(1)</sup>	Death on 12/31/2024 (1) (\$)

Gwendolyn Y. Gresham	Voluntary Termination on 12/31/2024 (1)	Involuntary Not For Cause Termination on 12/31/2024 (1)	For Cause Termination on 12/31/2024	Termination related to Change-in- Control on 12/31/2024	Disability on 12/31/2024 (1)	Death on 12/31/2024 (1)
	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
Compensation:		(11.022		1.704.510		
Severance		611,832		1,784,510	_	<del></del>
Short-term Incentive	_	305,916	_	305,916	<del>-</del>	<del>-</del>
Long-term Incentives:						
Accelerated Equity Award Programs		1,799,998	<u></u>	1,799,998	1,799,998	1,799,998
Benefits & Perquisites:		1,777,770		1,777,770	1,700,000	1,777,770
Health and Welfare Benefits	194,500	194,500	_	194,500	_	_
Outplacement Services	<u> </u>	25,000	<u> </u>	25,000		_
Accelerated Deferred Comp	_	116,288	_	116,288	116,288	116,288
Total	194,500	3,053,534	_	4,226,212	1,916,286	1,916,286
Mark D. Tattoli	Voluntary Termination on 12/31/2024 (1) (\$)	Involuntary Not For Cause Termination on 12/31/2024 (1) (\$)	For Cause Termination on 12/31/2024 (\$)	Termination related to Change-in- Control on 12/31/2024 (\$)	Disability on 12/31/2024 (1) (\$)	Death on 12/31/2024 (1) (\$)
Compensation:	Termination on 12/31/2024 (1)	Not For Cause Termination on 12/31/2024 (1) (\$)	Termination on 12/31/2024	related to Change-in- Control on 12/31/2024 (\$)	12/31/2024 (1)	12/31/2024 (1)
Compensation: Severance	Termination on 12/31/2024 (1)	Not For Cause Termination on 12/31/2024 (1) (\$) 611,832	Termination on 12/31/2024	related to Change-in- Control on 12/31/2024 (\$) 1,784,510	12/31/2024 (1)	12/31/2024 (1)
Compensation:	Termination on 12/31/2024 (1)	Not For Cause Termination on 12/31/2024 (1) (\$)	Termination on 12/31/2024	related to Change-in- Control on 12/31/2024 (\$)	12/31/2024 (1)	12/31/2024 (1)
Compensation: Severance	Termination on 12/31/2024 (1)	Not For Cause Termination on 12/31/2024 (1) (\$) 611,832	Termination on 12/31/2024	related to Change-in- Control on 12/31/2024 (\$) 1,784,510	12/31/2024 (1)	12/31/2024 (1)
Compensation: Severance Short-term Incentive Long-term Incentives: Accelerated Equity Award	Termination on 12/31/2024 (1)	Not For Cause Termination on 12/31/2024 (1) (\$) 611,832 305,916	Termination on 12/31/2024	related to Change-in- Control on 12/31/2024 (\$) 1,784,510 305,916	12/31/2024 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/31/2024 <sup>(1)</sup>
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Compensation: Severance Short-term Incentive Long-term Incentives: Accelerated Equity Award Programs Benefits & Perquisites: Health and Welfare Benefits	Termination on 12/31/2024 (1) (\$)	Not For Cause Termination on 12/31/2024 (1) (\$) 611,832 305,916 1,849,331 249,500	Termination on 12/31/2024	related to Change-in- Control on 12/31/2024 (\$) 1,784,510 305,916 1,849,331	12/31/2024 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/31/2024 <sup>(1)</sup>

<sup>(1)</sup> Messrs. Bruno and Hill, Ms. Gresham and Mr. Tattoli could vest in PSAP awards following termination if the performance criteria for vesting is met at the end of the Performance Period. See table of Outstanding Equity Awards at December 31, 2024 on page 40.

#### Pay Ratio Disclosure

Pursuant to Item 402(u) of Regulation S-K, we are required to disclose the ratio of our CEO's compensation to the annual total compensation of our median employee with respect to fiscal year 2024.

We determined that the annual total compensation of our CEO, Mr. Bruno, for 2024 was \$7,932,540 for the purpose of the CEO pay ratio calculation. We determined that the median of the annual total compensation from the population of our employees (other than Mr. Bruno) was \$44,357; therefore, the ratio of these two amounts is 179 to 1. Please see the Summary Compensation table on page 37 for our CEO's compensation for 2024. For 2024, if the stock awards were valued at target level, the total annual compensation of our CEO would be \$5,718,312 and the pay ratio would be 129 to 1.

Our most recent identification of the median employee was performed in 2023, during which we prepared a database including the total cash compensation consisting of base salary, allowance, bonus and other cash compensation paid as reflected in our payroll records for our global workforce (other than our CEO). As needed, compensation amounts were converted from local currency to U.S. dollars. We did not include any cost-of-living adjustments and did not apply a statistical sampling method.

Given that there have not been any material changes to the Company's employee population and employee arrangements that would significantly affect the pay ratio disclosure, for the purposes of this disclosure, we have used the same median employee in the current year's disclosure. For the median employee we identified from the database in 2023, who remained with the Company in 2024, we updated all compensation elements of this employee for 2024 to calculate total annual compensation with the same methodology used in the Summary Compensation Table in accordance with SEC rules and regulations.

The pay ratio reported above is a reasonable estimate calculated in a manner consistent with SEC rules based on our internal payroll and employment records, and the methodology described above. SEC rules for identifying the median compensated employee and calculating the pay ratio based on that employee's total annual compensation allow companies to adopt a variety of methodologies, to apply certain exclusions, and to make reasonable estimates and assumptions that reflect their compensation practices. Accordingly, the pay ratio reported by other companies may not be comparable to the pay ratio for our Company.

#### Pay-Versus-Performance Disclosure

As required by Item 402(v) of Regulation S-K, the Company is providing the following information regarding the relationship between executive compensation and the Company's financial performance for each of the five years in the period ended December 31, 2024.

The following table summarizes compensation values reported in the Summary Compensation Table for our CEO and the average for our other NEOs, as compared to "compensation actually paid" or "CAP" (calculated in accordance with the SEC's valuation rules) and the Company's financial performance for the years ended December 31, 2024, 2023, 2022, 2021 and 2020:

								f Initial Fixe tment Basec		Stated in Millions	
Year	Summary Compensation Table Total for First CEO (1)	Summary Compensation Table Total for Second CEO (1)	Compensation Actually Paid to First CEO	Compensation Actually Paid to Second CEO (2)	Average Summary Compensation Table Total for Other NEOs (1)	Average Compensation Actually Paid to Other NEOs	Total Shareholder Return	Peer Group Total Shareholder Return <sup>(3)</sup>	OSX Total Shareholder Return <sup>(4)</sup>	Net Income	ROIC Percentile Rank <sup>(5)</sup>
2024	7,932,540	_	6,501,236	_	2,161,859	1,996,148	47.12	192.62	100.52	32,153	52 <sup>nd</sup>
2023	7,988,083	_	3,867,277	_	1,940,393	1,182,476	47.94	196.34	112.82	37,025	81st
2022	6,406,396	_	4,556,233	_	1,602,578	1,251,954	54.77	121.67	110.75	19,658	72 <sup>nd</sup>
2021	6,548,130	_	3,511,963	_	1,512,288	790,566	60.07	70.97	69.56	20,219	
2020	5,445,044	12,531,614	3,820,946	9,059,322	2,027,272	1,381,972	71.12	56.09	57.80	(97,497)	87 <sup>th</sup>

- (1) The CEO and the non-CEO NEOs for each year are as follows:
  - a. 2024: Mr. Bruno (CEO), Mr. Hill, Ms. Gresham and Mr. Tattoli
  - b. 2023: Mr. Bruno (CEO), Mr. Hill, Ms. Gresham and Mr. Tattoli
  - c. 2022: Mr. Bruno (CEO), Mr. Hill, Ms. Gresham and Mr. Tattoli
  - d. 2021: Mr. Bruno (CEO), Mr. Hill, Ms. Gresham, and Mr. Tattoli
  - e. 2020: Mr. Bruno (CEO from May 29, 2020 to Present, or "First CEO"), Mr. Demshur (CEO from January 1, 2020 to May 29, 2020, or "Second CEO") and Mr. Hill
- (2) The values in this column disclose the amount of compensation actually paid calculated in accordance with SEC rules. These amounts do not reflect the actual amounts of compensation paid to our NEOs during the respective year. More detailed tables follow these footnotes to explain the adjustments that were made to the Summary Compensation Table values.
- (3) The values in this column disclose the market capitalization weighted cumulative total shareholder return of the Compensation Peer Group as of December 31 for each respective year. The Compensation Peer Group is used by the Company for purposes of determining relative performance. Total Shareholder Return has been calculated in the same manner as provided in Item 201(e) of Regulation S-K under the Exchange Act. For companies in the Compensation Peer Group with market capitalizations denominated in currencies other than U.S. dollars, all foreign currencies have been converted to U.S. dollars using the average exchange rate for each such currency from January 1 to December 31 for each respective year. For 2024, the peer group was comprised of Bristow Group Inc., Helix Energy Solutions Group, TETRA Technologies Inc., Champion X Corporation, Oceaneering International, TechnipFMC plc, Dril-Quip Inc., Oil States International, Tidewater Inc., Expro Group Holdings N.V., Precision Drilling Corporation, Weatherford International, Forum Energy Technologies, and RPC, Inc. The 2024 peer group removed Baker Hughes Company, Fugro N.V., John Wood Group PLC, and TGS NOPEC Geophysical Company ASA, and added Bristow Group Inc., Precision Drilling Corporation, TETRA Technologies Inc., Tidewater Inc., and Weatherford International when compared to the 2023 peer group. We made these changes between the 2023 and 2024 peer

groups to account for merger and acquisition activity, the Company's redomestication to the U.S., and the financial size of the Company relative to members of the peer group. Had the Company retained the 2023 peer group without modification in 2024, the market capitalization weighted cumulative total shareholder return of an initial \$100 fixed investment in the 2023 peer group as of December 31, 2024 would have been \$102.49 rather than \$192.62 as disclosed in this column in 2024. Dril-Quip Inc. merged out of existence in September 2024 and therefore the company was excluded from the cumulative total shareholder return calculation for 2024.

- (4) The values in this column disclose the cumulative total shareholder return of the Philadelphia Oil Service Index ("OSX") as of December 31 for each respective year.
- (5) ROIC is the most important performance condition associated with NEO equity incentive compensation that is not otherwise required to be disclosed in this table. ROIC percentile rank reflects proforma adjustments for extraordinary events occurring in 2020 and 2022. ROIC is based on Bloomberg's calculation on the trailing four quarters from the most recently reported quarter and the balance sheet of the most recent reported quarter.
- (6) There are no pension-related adjustments required for our First CEO or other NEOs during any of the fiscal years included in this table.

The following tables contain a breakdown of the "Compensation Actually Paid to CEO" and "Average Compensation Actually Paid to Other NEOs" included in the table above.

	2024
FIRST CEO SUMMARY COMPENSATION TABLE TOTALS	7,932,540
Add (Subtract):	
Fair value of equity awards granted during the year from the Summary Compensation Table (1)	(5,671,781)
Fair value at year end of equity awards granted during the year	6,654,389
Change in fair value of equity awards granted in prior years that were unvested as of the end of the year	(665,187)
Change in fair value of equity awards granted in prior years that vested as of the end of the year	(1,748,725)
Equity awards granted in prior years that were forfeited during the year	<u>—</u>
Dividends or other earnings paid on equity awards during the year	_
Salary reduction due to COVID-19 Business Interruptions	<u>—</u>
Total Equity Award Related Adjustments	(1,431,304)
COMPENSATION ACTUALLY PAID TOTALS	6,501,236

(1) The value is calculated based on grant date fair value of the equity awards granted to our CEO, Mr. Bruno. See the Summary Compensation Table for details.

	2024
NON-CEO NEOS SUMMARY COMPENSATION TABLE TOTALS	2,161,859
Add (Subtract):	
Fair value of equity awards granted during the year from the Summary Compensation Table (1)	(1,255,261)
Fair value at year end of equity awards granted during the year	1,472,729
Change in fair value of equity awards granted in prior years that were unvested as of the end of the year	(104,006)
Change in fair value of equity awards granted in prior years that vested as of the end of the year	(279,173)
Equity awards granted in prior years that were forfeited during the year	_
Dividends or other earnings paid on equity awards during the year	
Salary reduction due to COVID-19 Business Interruptions	_
Total Equity Award Related Adjustments	(165,711)
COMPENSATION ACTUALLY PAID TOTALS	1,996,148

<sup>(1)</sup> The values in this row are calculated based on grant date fair value of the equity awards granted to our other NEOs (other than the CEO) for the respective year. See the Summary Compensation Table for details.

#### Disclosure of Most Important Performance Measures for Fiscal Year 2024

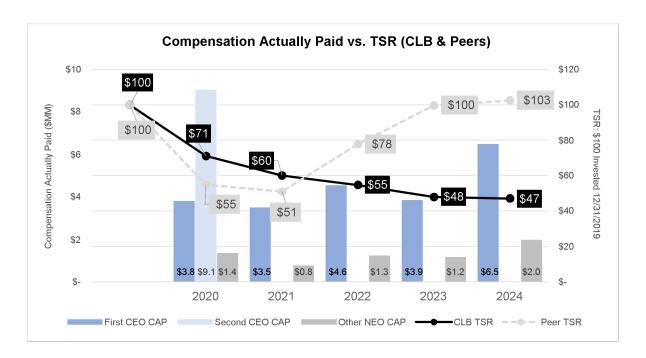
The following table contains the five most important financial performance measures used by our Compensation Committee to link "compensation actually paid" to our First and Second CEO and other NEOs in 2024 with Company performance. Each of these performance measures are discussed further herein above.

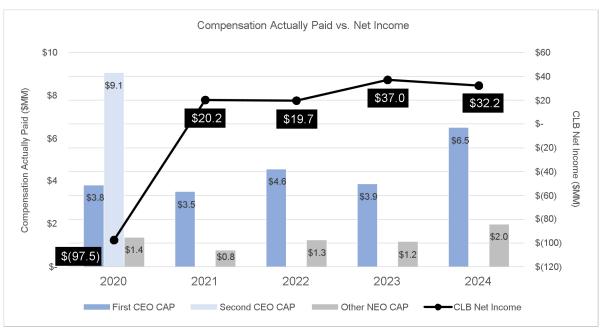
### **Most Important Performance Measures**

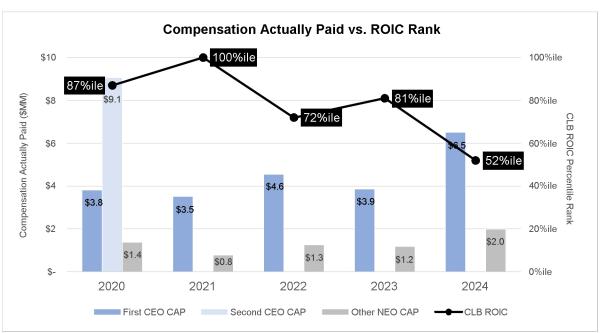
End of Performance Period ROIC Percentile Rank
Revenue Growth
Expansion of Operating Margins
EPS Growth
Total Shareholder Return

The charts on the following page reflect the Compensation Actually Paid ("CAP") over the five-year period ended December 31, 2024. Factors impacting the First and Second CEOs' and Other NEOs' CAP over the five-year period include:

- Fluctuation in the Company's share price impacting the value of vested and unvested PSAP awards.
- Temporary reduction in the base salaries for the First CEO and Other NEOs by 20% during the global pandemic. These temporary reductions were effective from April 2020 through December 2021.
- The First CEO determined that bonuses earned by the First CEO and Other NEOs would not be paid in 2020. Bonuses for the First CEO and Other NEOs in 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 were paid at a reduced rate from what was earned, 35.0% for 2021, 50.0% for 2022, 35.5% for 2023 and 90.0% for 2024.
- In 2020, the CAP for our Second CEO was increased by approximately \$4 million due to a separation payment in accordance with the terms of his employment agreement.







#### **COMPENSATION COMMITTEE REPORT**

In preparation for the filing of this proxy statement with the SEC, the Compensation Committee:

- reviewed and discussed the Company's disclosure set forth herein below the heading "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" with management; and
- based on the reviews and discussions referred to above, recommended to the Board that the disclosure set forth herein below the heading "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" be included in this proxy statement and incorporated by reference into our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2024.

Submitted by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors.

#### **COMPENSATION COMMITTEE**

Michael Straughen (Chairman) Harvey Klingensmith Kwaku Temeng

#### AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

For the year ended December 31, 2024, the Audit Committee consisted of Mmes. Carnes and Murray, and Mr. Straughen. The Company has determined that: (1) each member of the Audit Committee is independent, as defined in Section 10A of the Exchange Act and under the standards set forth by the NYSE; and (2) all current Audit Committee members are financially literate. In addition, Mmes. Carnes and Murray each qualify as an audit committee financial expert under the applicable rules promulgated pursuant to the Exchange Act.

During the last fiscal year, and earlier this year in preparation for the filing with the SEC of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2024, the Audit Committee:

- reviewed and discussed the Company's audited financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024 with management and with the independent registered public accountants;
- considered the adequacy of the Company's internal controls and the quality of its financial reporting, and discussed these matters with management, with the internal auditors and with the independent registered public accountants;
- reviewed and discussed with the independent registered public accountants (1) their judgments as to the quality of
  the Company's accounting policies, (2) the written disclosures and the letter from the independent registered public
  accountants received by the Audit Committee as required by Public Company Accounting Oversight Board
  Independence Rules, and the independent registered public accountants' independence, and (3) the matters required
  to be discussed by Public Company Accounting Oversight Board Auditing Standard 1301, Communication with
  Audit Committees;
- discussed with management, with the internal auditors and with the independent registered public accountants the
  process by which the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer make the certifications
  required by the SEC in connection with the filing with the SEC of the Company's periodic reports, including reports
  on Forms 10-K and 10-Q;
- pre-approved all auditing services and non-audit services to be performed for the Company by the independent
  registered public accountants as required by the applicable rules promulgated pursuant to the Exchange Act,
  considered whether the rendering of non-audit services was compatible with maintaining KPMG's independence,
  and concluded that KPMG's independence was not compromised by the provision of such services (details
  regarding the fees paid to KPMG in fiscal 2024 for audit services, audit-related services, tax services and all other
  services, are set forth at "Audit Fee Summary" below); and
- based on the reviews and discussions referred to above, recommended to the Board that the financial statements referred to above be included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2024.

A copy of the Audit Committee's written charter may be found on the Company's website at https://www.corelab.com/corporate-business-executives.

Notwithstanding the foregoing actions and the responsibilities set forth in the Audit Committee's charter, it is not the duty of the Audit Committee to plan or conduct audits or to determine that the Company's financial statements are complete and accurate and in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Management is responsible for the Company's financial reporting process including its system of internal controls, and for the preparation of consolidated financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. The independent registered public accountants are responsible for expressing an opinion on those financial statements. Audit Committee members are not employees of the Company or accountants or auditors by profession. Therefore, the Audit Committee has relied, without independent verification, on management's representation that the financial statements have been prepared with integrity and objectivity and in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States and on the representations of the independent registered public accountants included in their report on the Company's financial statements.

The Audit Committee meets regularly with management and the independent and internal auditors, including private discussions with the independent registered public accountants and the Company's internal auditors and receives the communications described above. The Audit Committee has also established procedures for (a) the receipt, retention and treatment of complaints received by the Company regarding accounting, internal accounting controls or auditing matters, and (b) the confidential, anonymous submission by the Company's employees of concerns regarding questionable accounting or auditing matters. However, this oversight does not provide us with an independent basis to determine that management has maintained appropriate accounting and financial reporting principles or policies, or appropriate internal controls and procedures designed to assure compliance with accounting standards and applicable laws and regulations. Furthermore, our considerations and discussions with management and the independent registered public accountants do not assure that the Company's financial statements are presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles or that the audit of the Company's financial statements has been carried out in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards.

#### Submitted by the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors.

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Martha Z. Carnes (Chairman) Katherine Murray Michael Straughen

# INFORMATION ABOUT OUR INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

#### **Audit Fee Summary**

The Audit Committee approved in advance 100% of the audit fees, including all non-audit fees. For the 2023 and 2024 fiscal years, KPMG served as the Company's independent auditor. Set forth below is a summary of the total fees incurred by the Company for services provided by KPMG related to fiscal years 2024 and 2023. These fees consisted of:

	2024	2023
Audit Fees	2,741,000	3,067,500
Audit-Related Fees	_	_
Tax Fees	375,240	87,500
All Other Fees	_	
Total	\$ 3,116,240	\$ 3,155,000

#### Audit Fees

Audit fees consist primarily of the audit and quarterly reviews of the consolidated financial statements, assistance with and review of documents filed with the SEC in the United States work performed in connection with the audit and quarterly reviews, statutory audits, and the audit of internal controls in order to comply with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. This category also includes fees for services consisting primarily of comfort letters, consents, and work performed related to other public filings.

#### **Audit-Related Fees**

Audit-related fees consist primarily of attestation services required by statute or regulation and certain agreed-upon procedures including accounting and research work necessary to comply with generally accepted auditing standards.

#### Tax Fees

Tax fees include professional services provided for preparation of federal and state tax returns, review of tax returns prepared by the Company, assistance in assembling data to respond to governmental reviews of past tax filings, and tax advice, exclusive of tax services rendered in connection with the audit.

#### All Other Fees

The fees identified under this caption were for all other non-audit services, including permissible business and advisory consulting services.

#### AUDIT COMMITTEE'S PRE-APPROVAL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

The Audit Committee pre-approves all audit and non-audit services to be performed by its independent auditors, and has established policies and procedures to ensure that the Company is in full compliance with the requirements for pre-approval set forth in the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and the SEC rules regarding auditor independence. The policies and procedures are detailed as to the particular service and do not delegate the Audit Committee's responsibility to management.

In accordance with these policies and procedures, management submits for approval audit and non-audit services that management may wish to have the independent auditor perform during the fiscal year, accompanied by an estimated range of fees for each service to be performed. The Audit Committee pre-approves or rejects the service and an accompanying range of fees for each service desired to be performed. Management is required to seek additional Audit Committee pre-approval when management becomes aware that any pre-approved service will result in actual fees greater than the fees initially approved. During the course of the year, the chair of the Audit Committee has the authority to pre-approve requests for services. At each subsequent Audit Committee meeting, the chair of the Audit Committee reports any interim pre-approvals since the last meeting.

#### **AGENDA ITEMS**

#### Item 1. Election of Class II Directors

Our Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws provide for the number, tenure and election of Directors. Our Board of Directors currently has seven members who are divided into three classes. Each class is elected for a three-year term such that the term of one class of Directors expires at the annual meeting each year.

For the 2025 Annual Meeting, the Board of Directors is proposing the election of one new Class II member, and the reelection of two current Class II members, effective at the conclusion of the 2025 Annual Meeting. Specifically, the Board of Directors is proposing the election of Rob Martinovich as a Class II Director and the re-election of Martha Carnes and Katherine Murray as Class II Directors. All Class II candidates are being nominated for terms expiring at the annual meeting in 2028. Please see "Information About Our Directors and Director Compensation - Board of Directors" for biographical information of our Directors.

Candidates for Director are recommended by the Nominating Committee to our Board. Our Board then nominates selected candidates, who are elected at the annual meeting by the affirmative vote of a plurality of votes cast at the meeting. You may vote for all of these nominees, any one or more of these nominees, or none of these nominees. Under the Company's Bylaws, shares of common stock abstaining from voting (i.e., withheld votes) and broker non-votes shall be treated as present for the purposes of determining the presence or absence of a quorum. Withholding authority to vote your shares with respect to one or more director nominees will have no effect on the election of those nominees. Additionally, broker non-votes will have no effect on the election of the nominees.

Unless otherwise instructed or unless the proxy is withdrawn, the accompanying proxy will be voted for the election of the three nominees listed above to serve under the terms and conditions described within this proxy statement. If at the time of, or prior to, the 2025 Annual Meeting, any of the nominees should be unable or decline to serve, the discretionary authority provided in the proxy may be used to vote for a substitute or substitutes designated by our Board. The Board has no reason to believe that any substitute nominees will be required. No proxy will be voted for a greater number of persons than the number of nominees named herein. Shareholders may not cumulate their votes in the election of Directors.

The elections set out above will be put to a vote separately and those votes shall be considered to constitute separate subitems of Item 1.

The Board recommends that shareholders vote "FOR" the three Class II nominees for Director as set forth above, and proxies executed and returned will be so voted unless contrary instructions are indicated thereon.

#### Item 2. Ratification of Appointment of KPMG as our Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for 2025

The Audit Committee of the Board has recommended, and the Board has approved the appointment of KPMG LLP as our independent registered public accountants for the year ending December 31, 2025, subject to approval by our shareholders. We have invited representatives of KPMG to the 2025 Annual Meeting and we expect one such representative to attend. If such representative should attend, we expect that he or she will be available to respond to questions and will have the opportunity to make a statement if he or she desires to do so.

The affirmative vote of holders of a majority of shares present or represented by proxy and entitled to vote at the 2025 Annual Meeting is required to ratify the appointment of KPMG as our independent registered public accountants for 2025. Under the Company's Bylaws, shares of common stock abstaining from voting and broker non-votes shall be treated as present for purposes of determining the presence or absence of a quorum at the 2025 Annual Meeting. Abstentions will have the same effect as a vote "against" this proposal, but broker non-votes will have no effect on the outcome.

The Board recommends that the shareholders vote "FOR" the ratification of the appointment of KPMG as our independent registered public accountants for the year ending December 31, 2025, and proxies executed and returned will be so voted unless contrary instructions are indicated thereon.

### Item 3. To Approve, On an Advisory Basis, the Compensation of our Named Executive Officers as Described in the CD&A Section of this Proxy Statement

We and our Board recognize that executive compensation is an important matter for our shareholders. As described in detail in the Compensation Committee's report and the CD&A section of this proxy statement, the Compensation Committee is tasked with the implementation of our executive compensation philosophy and the core of that philosophy has been and continues to be to pay our executives based on our performance. In particular, the Compensation Committee strives to base awards of the substantial majority of executive compensation on performance metrics that are directly linked to the consequent long-term increase in the value of the Company for its owners - the shareholders. It is always the intention of the Compensation Committee that our NEOs be compensated competitively and consistent with our strategy, sound corporate governance principles, and shareholder interests and concerns. As described in the CD&A section, we believe our compensation program is strongly aligned with the long-term interests of our shareholders. As you consider this proposal, we urge you to read the CD&A section of this proxy statement for additional details on executive compensation, including the more detailed information about our compensation philosophy and objectives and the past compensation of the NEOs.

We believe that shareholders, by voting for directors individually as described in Item No. 1, have had a clear ability to express their approval or disapproval of the performance of the Board and, specifically, any Directors serving on the Compensation Committee; however, the United States Congress has enacted legislation pursuant to Section 14A of the Exchange Act requiring a non-binding advisory "Say on Pay" vote on executive compensation and we welcome the opportunity to give our shareholders an opportunity to provide us with such a vote on executive compensation at our 2025 Annual Meeting.

We are therefore asking shareholders to vote on the following resolution:

"Resolved, the shareholders approve the compensation philosophy, policies and procedures described in the CD&A, and the compensation of the Company's named executive officers as disclosed pursuant to the SEC's compensation disclosure rules, including the compensation tables."

As an advisory vote, Item 3 is non-binding. Although the vote is non-binding, the Board of Directors and the Compensation Committee value the opinions of our shareholders and will carefully consider the outcome of the vote when making future compensation decisions for our NEOs.

The affirmative vote of holders of a two-thirds majority of shares present or represented by proxy and entitled to vote at the 2025 Annual Meeting is required for approval of this agenda item. Under the Company's Bylaws, shares of common stock abstaining from voting and broker non-votes shall be treated as present for purposes of determining the presence or absence of a quorum at the 2025 Annual Meeting. Abstentions will have the same effect as a vote "against" this proposal. Broker non-votes will have no effect on the outcome. If you own shares through a bank, broker or other holder of record, you must instruct your bank, broker or other holder of record how to vote in order for them to vote your shares so that your vote can be counted on this proposal.

The Board recommends that shareholders vote "FOR" the approval of, on an advisory basis, the compensation philosophy, policies and procedures described in the CD&A, and the compensation of the Company's named executive officers disclosed pursuant to the SEC's compensation disclosure rules, including the compensation tables.

#### Item 4. Other Matters to Be Voted On

The Board does not know of any other matters that are to be presented for action at the 2025 Annual Meeting. However, if any other matters properly come before the 2025 Annual Meeting or any adjournment thereof, it is intended that the accompanying proxy will be voted in accordance with the judgment of the persons voting the proxy.

#### OTHER PROXY MATTERS

#### Information About Our 2026 Annual Meeting: Shareholder Proposals and Shareholder Access

Pursuant to Rule 14a-8 of the Exchange Act, shareholder proposals intended for inclusion in our proxy statement for our 2026 Annual Meeting must be received by the Secretary of the Company at our registered offices in Houston, Texas no later than December 1, 2025, or as otherwise permitted by applicable law. Rule 14a-8 proposals must also comply with the requirements of Rule 14a-8 of the Exchange Act and the Company's Bylaws in order to be eligible for inclusion in the Company's proxy materials for the 2026 Annual Meeting.

Notice of shareholder proposals and shareholder director nominations to be presented at the 2026 Annual Meeting, but not included in the proxy statement, must be in compliance with the advance notice provisions and information required by the Company's Bylaws. Such notice must be received in writing by the Secretary of the Company at our registered offices in Houston, Texas not earlier than the close of business on the 120th day prior to the first anniversary of the 2025 Annual Meeting and not later than the close of business on the 90th day prior to the first anniversary of the 2025 Annual Meeting. However, if the 2026 Annual Meeting is called for a date that is greater than 30 days before or greater than 60 days after the anniversary date of the 2025 Annual Meeting, notice must be received not earlier than the close of business on the 150th day prior to the date of the 2026 Annual Meeting and not later than the close of business on the later of the 120th day prior to the 2026 Annual Meeting or, if the first public announcement of the date of the 2026 Annual Meeting is fewer than 100 days prior to the date of the 2026 Annual Meeting, the 10th day following the day on which public announcement of the date of the 2026 Annual Meeting is first made. Accordingly, for our 2026 Annual Meeting, assuming the meeting is held on a date that is not greater than 30 days before or greater than 60 days after the anniversary date of the 2025 Annual Meeting, notice of a nomination or proposal must be received by the Company at our registered offices no earlier than the close of business on January 21, 2026, and no later than the close of business on February 20, 2026. Under the rules of the Exchange Act, we may use discretionary authority to vote with respect to any proposal not included in our proxy materials that is presented by a shareholder in person at the 2026 Annual Meeting if the shareholder making the proposal has not given notice to us by February 20, 2026.

Any shareholder who intends to solicit proxies in support of any director nominees must comply with the content requirements of Rule 14a-19 of the Exchange Act (the SEC's universal proxy rule) at the time it complies with the earlier deadlines in the Company's advance notice provisions of its Bylaws. Thus, if a shareholder intends to solicit proxies in support of any director nominees submitted under the advance notice provisions of the Company's Bylaws for the 2026 Annual Meeting, then such shareholder must also provide proper written notice that sets forth all the information required by Rule 14a-19 to the Company at our registered offices in Houston, Texas not earlier than the close of business on the 120th day prior to the first anniversary of the 2025 Annual Meeting and not later than the close of business on the 90th day prior to the first anniversary of the 2025 Annual Meeting. However, if the 2026 Annual Meeting is called for a date that is greater than 30 days before or greater than 60 days after the anniversary date of the 2025 Annual Meeting, notice must be received not earlier than the close of business on the 150th day prior to the date of the 2026 Annual Meeting and not later than the close of business on the later of the 120th day prior to the 2026 Annual Meeting or, if the first public announcement of the date of the 2026 Annual Meeting is fewer than 100 days prior to the date of the 2026 Annual Meeting, the 10th day following the day on which public announcement of the date of the 2026 Annual Meeting is first made. Accordingly, for our 2026 Annual Meeting, assuming the meeting is held on a date that is not greater than 30 days before or greater than 60 days after the anniversary date of the 2025 Annual Meeting, notice must be received by the Company at our registered offices no earlier than the close of business on January 21, 2026, and no later than the close of business on February 20, 2026.

#### **Shareholders Sharing the Same Address**

The Company is sending only one copy of its proxy statement to shareholders who share the same address, unless they have notified the Company that they want to continue receiving multiple copies. This practice, known as "householding," is designed to reduce duplicate mailings and save significant printing and postage costs as well as natural resources.

If you received mail via post this year and you would like to have additional copies of the Company's proxy statement mailed to you, or you would like to opt out of this practice for future mailings, please submit your request to Mark D. Tattoli, Secretary, Core Laboratories Inc, 6316 Windfern Road, Houston, Texas 77040 or by phone at +1 (713) 328-2673. You may also contact the Company if you received multiple copies of the 2025 Annual Meeting materials and would prefer to receive a single copy in the future.

#### **Incorporation by Reference**

The information contained in this proxy statement in the sections entitled "Compensation Committee Report" and "Audit Committee Report" shall not be deemed to be "soliciting material" or "filed" with the Securities and Exchange Commission, nor shall such information be incorporated by reference into any future filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or subject to the liabilities of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, except to the extent that the Company specifically incorporates it by reference into a document filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act.

#### **Other Information**

A copy of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2024, including the financial statements, schedules and exhibits thereto, may be obtained without charge by written request to Mark D. Tattoli, Secretary, Core Laboratories Inc., 6316 Windfern Road, Houston, Texas 77040.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

Lawrence Free

Lawrence Bruno

Chairman

Houston, Texas March 31, 2025

#### CORE LABORATORIES INC.

TO VOTE, MARK BLOCKS BELOW IN BLUE OR BLACK INK AS

FOLLOWS:

6316 WINDFERN ROAD HOUSTON, TEXAS 77040

VOTE BY INTERNET - <a href="www.proxyvote.com">www.proxyvote.com</a>
Use the Internet to transmit your voting instructions and for electronic delivery of information. Vote by 11:59 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time on May 20, 2025 for shares held directly and by 11:59 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time on May 18, 2025 for shares held in a Plan. Have your proxy card in hand when you access the web site and follow the instructions to obtain your records and to create an electronic voting instruction form.

#### **ELECTRONIC DELIVERY OF FUTURE PROXY MATERIALS**

If you would like to reduce the costs incurred by our company in mailing proxy materials, you can consent to receiving all future proxy statements, proxy cards and annual reports electronically via e-mail or the Internet. To sign up for electronic delivery, please follow the instructions above to vote using the Internet and, when prompted, indicate that you agree to receive or access proxy materials electronically in future years.

#### VOTE BY PHONE - 1-800-690-6903

Use any touch-tone telephone to transmit your voting instructions. Vote by 11:59 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time on May 20, 2025 for shares held directly and by 11:59 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time on May 18, 2025 for shares held in a Plan. Have your proxy card in hand when you call and then follow the instructions.

#### **VOTE BY MAIL**

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Mark, sign and date your proxy card and return it in the postage-paid envelope we have provided or return it to Vote Processing, c/o Broadridge, 51 Mercedes Way, Edgewood, NY 11717.

KEEP THIS PORTION FOR YOUR RECORDS

			DETAC	H AND RE	TURN THIS PO	ORTION ONLY
THIS	PROXY CARD IS	VALID O	NLY WHEN SIGNED AND DATED.			
CORE LABORATORIES INC.						
The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the	he following:				For	Withhold
1. To elect one new Class II Director and re-elect tw statement until our annual meeting in 2028 and until			nder the terms and conditions described within the proxy elected and qualified;	′		
1a) Martha Z. Carnes					₹	₹
1b) Katherine Murray					₹	₹
1c) Rob Martinovich					₹x	₹x
The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR th	e following proposals:			For	Against	Abstain
2. To ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP as the Compar	ny's independent register	red public acc	ountants for the year ending December 31, 2025; and	₹	₹x	₹x
To approve, on an advisory basis, the compensation pl	hilosophy, policies and p	raaaduraa da	parihad in the agation antitled Companyation Disquesion			
and Analysis ("CD&A"), and the compensation of the Com	npany's named executive			₹	₹	₹
Commission's compensation disclosure rules, including the	ne compensation tables.					
NOTE: Such other business as may properly come be	fore the annual meetin	g or any adj	ournment thereof shall be voted in accordance with	the discret	ion of the atto	rneys and
proxies appointed hereby.						
Please sign exactly as your name(s) appear(s) he should each sign personally. All holders must sign						
Signature (PLEASE SIGN WITHIN BOX)	Date		Signature (Joint Owners)		Date	

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for	r the Annual Meeting:
The Notice and Proxy Statement and Annual Report are available at	: www.proxyvote.com.

#### CORE LABORATORIES INC.

## Annual Meeting of Shareholders May 21, 2025 9:00 AM CDT

This proxy is solicited by the Board of Directors

This Proxy is being solicited by the Board of Directors of Core Laboratories Inc. for the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on Wednesday, May 21, 2025.

The undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints Lawrence Bruno, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, and Mark Tattoli, General Counsel of the Company, and each or any of them, his/her true and lawful attorneys and proxies with full power of substitution, for and in the name, place and stead of the undersigned, to attend the Annual Meeting of Shareholders of the Company to be held at the Hotel Zaza, Memorial City, 9787 Katy Freeway, Houston, Texas 77024, on Wednesday, May 21, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. CDT and any adjournment(s) thereof, with all powers the undersigned would possess if personally present and to vote thereof, as provided on the reverse side of this card, the number of shares the undersigned would be entitled to vote if personally present. In accordance with their discretion, said attorneys and proxies are authorized to vote upon such other matters and issues as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

THIS PROXY IS BEING SOLICITED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED AS DIRECTED. IN THE ABSENCE OF DIRECTION, THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED FOR THE THREE NOMINEES FOR DIRECTOR IN PROPOSAL 1, AND FOR PROPOSALS 2 AND 3.

Ad	ddress Changes/Comments: -		

(If you noted any Address Changes/Comments above, please mark corresponding box on the reverse side)

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