Lockheed Martin Corp. (LMT) Vote Yes: Item #7 – Stockholder Proposal to Issue a Report on the Company's Intention to Reduce Full Value Chain GHG Emissions

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THE RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED: Shareholders request the Board issue a report, at reasonable expense and excluding confidential information, disclosing how the Company intends to reduce its full value chain greenhouse gas emissions in alignment with the Paris Agreement's 1.5°C degree goal requiring Net Zero emissions by 2050.

SUPPORTING STATEMENT: Proponents suggest, at Board and Company discretion, that the report include:

- Disclosure of all relevant Scope 3 emissions;
- A timeline for setting 1.5°C-aligned Scope 3 reduction goals;
- A climate transition plan to achieve emissions reductions goals across all relevant emissions scopes;
- Annual reports demonstrating progress towards meeting emissions reduction goals.

SUMMARY

The window for limiting global warming to 1.5 degrees is quickly narrowing,¹ requiring immediate, dramatic emissions reduction from all market sectors.² Failure to reach Net Zero emissions by 2050 is projected to have disastrous economic consequences,³ impacting companies and investor portfolios.

Shareholders are increasingly concerned about material climate risk to their companies and to their portfolios and seek clear, consistent disclosures and action from the companies in which they invest. The Climate Action 100+ initiative, a coalition of more than 700 investors with over \$68 trillion in assets under management, launched a Net Zero Company Benchmark ("the Benchmark") to assess and compare company progress on climate. The Benchmark calls on the largest carbon-emitting companies globally, including Lockheed Martin, to align with the Paris Agreement's 1.5°C goal by setting and disclosing an ambition to achieve Net Zero GHG emissions by 2050 or sooner, inclusive of Scope 1, 2,

¹ https://www.ipcc.ch/2021/08/09/ar6-wg1-20210809-pr/

² https://report.ipcc.ch/ar6wg3/pdf/IPCC AR6 WGIII FinalDraft FullReport.pdf

³ https://www.nytimes.com/2021/04/22/climate/climate-change-economy.html



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and 3 emissions, and provide a transparent transition plan. 4 Currently, Lockheed does not fully meet any criteria outlined in the Benchmark. 5

Climate change presents growing risk to Lockheed, one of the largest global aerospace and defense manufacturers. The Company is exposed to industry-specific, climate-related regulatory risk, as well as competitive and physical risks. Its key areas of business, including sales of aerospace and defense technology, are associated with emission-intensive products that could lock in large sources of emissions for decades to come.

In 2022, the U.S. Department of Defense ("DOD") awarded Lockheed the highest amount of contract funds, demonstrating the materiality of such contracts to Lockheed's business. ⁶ The U.S. and other governments acknowledge climate change is a major security threat and have accordingly set emission reduction goals inclusive of defense suppliers. The U.S. government, for instance, has committed to reducing emissions across federal operations to net zero by 2050⁷ while increasing the sustainability of federal supply chains. ⁸ In particular, emissions from the DOD represent approximately 80% of emissions from the federal government. To implement its climate change goals, the U.S. has developed, among other climate-related policies, supply chain initiatives that include major contractor greenhouse gas (GHG) emission disclosures paired with science-based targets, a "buy clean" initiative for low-carbon materials, and a sustainable products policy. The DOD is also elevating climate change as a national security priority and integrating climate considerations into policies, strategies and partner engagements. ⁹ Together, these programs will advance America's industrial competitiveness in supplying the low-carbon and sustainable goods of the future. If Lockheed does not meet emerging regulations, it could lose significant contract opportunities.

Given the impact of climate change on the economy, the increase in climate-related regulation, and Lockheed's status in the CA100+ as a major emitter, Lockheed has a clear responsibility to provide a 1.5°C-aligned transition plan covering the full range of its material value chain emissions. Lockheed's failure to set emission reduction targets that cover its Scope 3 emissions demonstrates a lack of adherence to its stakeholder's clear expectations. We urge a "Yes" vote on this proposal.

RATIONALE FOR A YES VOTE

- Lockheed faces climate-related regulatory, competitive, and physical risks that will drastically impact its business.
- 2. Lockheed is falling behind peers in addressing the impact of its emissions.

⁴ https://www.climateaction100.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/Climate-Action-100-Net-Zero-Company-Benchmark-Framework-2.0..pdf

⁵ https://www.climateaction100.org/company/lockheed-martin-corporation/

https://dsm.forecastinternational.com/wordpress/2023/02/22/top-100-defense-contractors-2022/

⁷ https://www.mckinsey.com/industries/aerospace-and-defense/our-insights/decarbonizing-defense-imperative-and-opportunity

⁸ https://www.sustainability.gov/federalsustainabilityplan/procurement.html

⁹ https://www.defense.gov/Spotlights/Tackling-the-Climate-Crisis/



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3. Lockheed does not disclose a plan or goal to reduce its full value chain of emissions in alignment with the Paris Agreement's 1.5°C degree goal requiring Net Zero emissions by 2050.

DISCUSSION

1. Lockheed faces climate-related regulatory, competitive, and physical risks that will drastically impact its business.

Regulatory risks

Climate-related policies are gaining traction globally. 70 foreign governments have net zero ambitions, ¹⁰ and 47 national jurisdictions are covered by carbon tax legislation. ¹¹ In its 10-K, Lockheed acknowledges exposure to multiple climate-related regulatory risks that could hurt its business. Lockheed acknowledges that increased climate laws and regulations regarding GHG emissions and carbon pricing have a high likelihood of being implemented and may impact Lockheed's product affordability, cost competitiveness, and supply chain costs. 12 Countries around the world, including the U.S. and U.K. government, are issuing policies requiring that suppliers commit to achieving Net Zero by 2050 or be barred from consideration on contracts. 13 Lockheed has major assets based in the U.K. and recognizes that such policy directly impacts a strategic customer in the Company's international operations. 14 The U.S. government also proposed changes to its supplier regulations which would require major defense suppliers, including Lockheed, to report all Scope 3 emissions sources and set science-based emissions reduction targets.15

Lockheed has yet to set targets for its material Scope 3 emissions. 16 Lockheed discloses in its most recent 10-K that sales to the U.S. government made up 73% of Lockheed's total net sales and that the US government represents a substantial majority of Lockheed's total defense sales. 17 Its major customers, including the U.S. government¹⁸ and the NATO member countries, ¹⁹ are clear that they consider climate change a security threat and are acting to cut emissions. If Lockheed is disqualified from bids by its major customers, it would likely experience significant negative financial impact on its

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¹⁰ https://www.un.org/en/climatechange/net-zero-coalition

¹¹ <u>https://carbonpricingdashboard.worldbank.org/map_data</u>

¹³ https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/procurement-policy-note-0621-taking-account-of-carbon-reduction-plans-inthe-procurement-of-major-government-contracts

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¹⁷ https://www.sec.gov/ix?doc=/Archives/edgar/data/936468/000093646823000009/lmt-20221231.htm p.79

¹⁸ https://www.sustainability.gov/federalsustainabilityplan/emissions.html

¹⁹ https://www.nato.int/cps/en/natohg/news 197175.htm



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ability to generate business and therefore impair its profitability. Overall, the Company's failure to fully address material Scope 3 emissions may leave the Company vulnerable to regulatory risks and lose important opportunities to show its leadership.

On the other hand, proactively addressing climate risk can benefit the company. Lockheed states in its most recent CDP submission that resource efficiency is a climate-related opportunity that could make the Company more competitive, inform future R&D investments, and improve revenue.²⁰

Competitive risks

Setting full value chain emissions reduction targets will increase Lockheed's ability to retain its position as an industry leader as market expectations and new climate regulations necessitate science-based climate transition plans. Emission reduction performance is a key tool in competing for the best contracts and reducing competitive risk. Lockheed recognizes that it faces competition risks as its competitors respond to climate-related policies and customer demand changes.²¹

Lockheed emphasizes its efforts to reduce emissions associated with the use of products but lacks a concrete goal to drive value chain emissions reductions. As outlined below, multiple peers are setting targets to reduce emissions associated with the use of their products and incentivizing low-carbon innovation that can contribute to their customers' emission reduction goals and increase competitive advantage. Lack of disclosure on a value chain emissions mitigation plan will reduce its ability to succeed over competitors.

Physical risks

The Company's 10-k acknowledges a vulnerability to supply chain risks, which may be exacerbated by climate change. Increasing frequency and severity of extreme weather events caused by climate change may also negatively impact Lockheed's suppliers, subcontractors, service providers, distributors, and customers. Such factors may affect Lockheed's ability to procure necessary materials, distribute products to customers timely, and could materially decrease revenues. Improving climate resiliency in supply chain and logistics is critical to Lockheed's ability to efficiently complete business contracts.

2. Lockheed is falling behind peers in addressing the impact of its emissions.

Exclusion of Scope 3 emissions sources in the Company's emission reduction targets puts it behind global peers in setting Paris-aligned climate goals. The defense and aerospace company BAE Systems signed onto the Science Based Targets initiative ("SBTi") and is working towards a net zero value chain by 2050 goal. ²² Safran S.A. committed to reduce the intensity of Scope 3 GHG emissions from the use of sold products and indirect use phase 40% by 2035. ²³ Deere & Company, which is a heavy industry company and a compensation peer identified by Lockheed, committed to the SBTi-validated goal of reducing absolute Scope 3 emissions from purchased goods and services and use of sold products 30%

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²¹ https://www.sec.gov/ix?doc=/Archives/edgar/data/936468/000093646823000009/lmt-

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²² https://www.baesystems.com/en/sustainability/environment-and-climate-change

²³ https://www.safran-group.com/group/commitments/decarbonizing-aeronautics

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by 2030.²⁴ General Electric, one of the top 20 companies that received the most contracts from the DOD,²⁵ announced its ambition to be net zero by 2050, including its operations and Scope 3 use of sold products.²⁶ In 2022, a similar resolution requesting Scope 3 target setting was filed at Boeing and received 91.4% vote in favor.²⁷ Boeing management supported the resolution.²⁸

The aerospace, defense, and heavy industry are advancing to better account for their climate impacts and incorporate them into climate transition strategies. To remain competitive, Lockheed must follow peers in accounting for and setting reduction targets for its material Scope 3 GHG emissions.

3. Lockheed does not disclose a plan or goal to reduce its full value chain emissions in alignment with the Paris Agreement's 1.5°C degree goal requiring Net Zero emissions by 2050.

Lockheed's Targets fail to address its full range of material value chain emissions.

Despite Scope 3 emissions making up approximately 98% of Lockheed's total emissions footprint, ²⁹ Lockheed lacks a Scope 3 reduction goal that aligns with 1.5°C and covers its material value chain emissions. In its opposition statement, Lockheed states it is adopting a goal to reduce Scope 1 and 2 GHG emissions by 36% by 2030. While an improvement from Lockheed's previous intensity target for Scope 1 and 2, ³⁰ this goal still falls short of the 50% Scope 1-2 emissions reductions by 2030 needed to meet a 1.5°C-aligned pathway. Furthermore, by excluding Scope 3 emissions, this target only addresses 2% of Lockheed's total emissions. In fact, Lockheed Martin's Scope 3 emissions increased by 20% over the past four years, while revenue increased 10% and inflation-adjusted revenue decreased 4% from 2019 to 2022. ³¹

SBTi is widely considered as the global standard of science-aligned target setting. Over 2,600 businesses and financial institutions are currently committed to, or working to, becoming validated through the organization. SBTi's standard states that if Scope 3 emissions make up 40 percent or more of a company's total emissions, they must be incorporated into company reduction targets.³² Similarly, the CA100+ Benchmark requires net zero targets across all scopes of emissions.³³

²⁴ <u>https://sciencebasedtargets.org/companies-taking-action</u>

²⁵ https://dsm.forecastinternational.com/wordpress/2021/02/top-100-defense-contractors-2020/

²⁶ https://www.ge.com/sites/default/files/ge2021 sustainability report.pdf p.3

²⁷ https://www.asyousow.org/press-releases/2022/5/3/boeing-shareholders-support-net-zero-climate-report

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³¹ https://sustainability.lockheedmartin.com/sustainability/content/Lockheed Martin 2021 Sustainability Report.pdf p.68 (used for independent calculations)

³² https://sciencebasedtargets.org/resources/files/SBTi-criteria.pdf I.III C4

³³ https://www.climateaction100.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/Climate-Action-100-Net-Zero-Company-Benchmark-Framework-2.0..pdf

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While Lockheed Martin is pursuing steps such as research and development of sustainable aviation fuel, increasing renewable electricity procurement for its suppliers, and engaging suppliers, it does not communicate to investors the anticipated emission reductions associated with these Scope 3-related actions, leaving investors unable to conclude whether these actions are adequate to substantially manage climate risk associated with the company's Scope 3 emissions. This stands in contrast to its disclosures related to Scope 1 and 2 emissions reductions efforts, such as increased building efficiency, with regard to which Lockheed Martin discloses anticipated emission reductions. A Lockheed Martin's Scope 3 emissions are consistently increasing, demonstrating that its current efforts are not impacting Scope 3 emissions levels.

While Lockheed Martin is among the CA100+ largest corporate emitters, it has yet to fully meet any of the criteria that signal Paris-alignment. For instance, it lacks: a net zero by 2050 ambition that includes all Scopes of emissions; interim GHG reduction targets aligned with 1.5°C across all Scopes of emissions; a decarbonization strategy for achieving its emission reduction targets; and capital allocation aligned with the Paris Agreement objectives.³⁵ Its failure to make such disclosures means that investors lack critical information and indicators on the state of Lockheed Martin's emission reduction strategy and its mitigation of climate risk across its value chain.

Nor are Lockheed Martin's plans to offset its business travel-related emissions through the purchase of carbon offsets a true solution. Leading experts, such as the UN High Level Expert Group, the CA100+, and SBTi are clear that companies should not purchase carbon credits as a replacement for reducing value chain emissions. ³⁶

Overall, Lockheed's current disclosures and actions fail to communicate a comprehensive plan to address 98% of its total emissions. It is imperative for Lockheed to incorporate its full Scope 3 value-chain emissions into its emission reduction strategies to ensure that large material sources of emissions are adequately managed now and into the future. By not including Scope 3 emissions in its interim and long-term emission reduction goals, it remains unclear to investors how Lockheed plans to align its value chain emissions to the goals of the Paris Agreement, to meet customer expectations (including UK and US contracting requirements), or to remain competitive with peers.

RESPONSE TO LOCKHEED'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS' STATEMENT IN OPPOSITION

In Lockheed's opposition statement, the Company states it cannot support the proposal for a number of reasons outlined below. However, these reasons are insufficient, and it is in the best interest of the Company and stockholders for Lockheed to disclose a full value chain emissions reduction plan that fulfills the request of the proposal.

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The shareholder proposal is not duplicative to existing efforts. This proposal requests information to fill in major gaps in the Company's current reporting on its comprehensive emission reductions strategy and climate-risk mitigation strategy. Scope 3 emissions represent 98% of Lockheed's total emissions, yet Lockheed does not have a Scope 3 reduction goal and fails to communicate a comprehensive plan to reduce value-chain emissions and avoid associated regulatory and competitive risk. Lockheed's disclosures specifically lack a 1.5°C-aligned transition plan across its business as well as transparency around anticipated emission reductions of current actions for its Scope 3 emissions.

The proposal is not prescriptive or premature. Lockheed argues that the proposal is prescriptive. On the contrary, the proposal does not require specific short, medium, or long-term emissions reduction targets, allowing Lockheed to develop a science-based, 1.5° C climate transition plan appropriate to its business. The Company also claims the proposal is premature. However, peers Safran S.A. and BAE Systems were able to establish and work towards Scope 3 reduction targets without a sector-specific framework, proving that setting and working towards Scope 3 reduction targets is achievable within the defense sector. Lockheed is already engaging with many of its suppliers and industry associations to work towards its current sustainability commitments. Additionally, Lockheed was able to drive system-level change for its Supplier Renewable Energy Program, showing that enterprise-wide innovation is possible. Climate mitigation and adaptation demand immediate investment to adequately protect Lockheed from increasing risks and costs. If Lockheed does not embrace shifting market expectations, it may fall behind peers and lose significant opportunities. By establishing a Scope 3 reduction target and a plan to achieve it, Lockheed can keep pace with peers already acting in this area and build on its current momentum to meet major customer climate-related requirements.

The Aerospace and Defense industry is not exempt from expectations for value-chain wide emission reductions. Investor groups, such as the CA 100+, and experts, such as SBTi and the UN, are clear that credible climate action must take Scope 3 emissions into account, especially when those emissions make up a significant majority of a company's total footprint. Lockheed states that the defense industry's ability to address Scope 3 emissions rests on the support and partnership of its customers. The increasing number of net zero commitments, carbon tax legislation, and climate-related acquisition regulations for defense contractors is a clear signal that Lockheed's customers value low-carbon innovation. Early movers that act on this desire and invest in comprehensive decarbonization will gain significant opportunities and competitive advantage in winning contracts. Companies that continue to soft-pedal acting on risks and opportunities in their value chain will lose their competitive ability and their ability to win bids.

Lockheed also states that "defense contractors face unique issues," such as not having control over product specifications, and challenges around tracking certain customer emissions. Every sector, and every business, faces unique challenges in meeting the needs of their customers and operating their business. Similarly, each company faces unique challenges on their individual decarbonization journeys. Overcoming such challenges is possible and necessary. As discussed, BAE Systems, Europe's largest defense contractor, committed to achieve a net zero value chain. Safran S.A., another aerospace and defense company that produces aircraft and rocket engines, established a Scope 3 reduction target. Peers in the aerospace and defense industry are addressing decarbonization challenges and risks throughout their value chains. Like its peers, Lockheed can find levers to address its value chain emissions to remain competitive. Lockheed has control over its own procurement policies. It can engage with suppliers of its raw materials to move its value chain towards carbon efficiency. Lockheed further has control over its own research and development investments and can test new materials the same way it is researching sustainable aviation fuel. Lockheed may be bound by certain contracts now, but its



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success rests on developing and marketing products for the future. Setting a Scope 3 goal will push innovation and maintain long-term competitiveness and value.

Lockheed also states that it is inappropriate to include defense contractors in comparison to a broader sector of peers. While this memo does identify two aerospace and defense-specific peers, it also takes into account peers in industrials. All peers identified share similar challenges of needing to meet specifications for their products, sourcing raw materials with large emission footprints, and marketing products with large customer emissions. All businesses are unique, but defense and aerospace companies are not exempt from considering climate-related risks and preparing adequate climate transition plans.

CONCLUSION

Lockheed's failure to set emission reduction targets that cover its Scope 3 emissions demonstrates a lack of adherence to its stakeholder's clear expectations and exposes Lockheed to serious regulatory and competitive risks. We urge a "Yes" vote on this proposal.

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