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# Proxy Voting Policy and Procedures

# I. Policy

Jennison (or the "Company") has adopted the following policy and related procedures to guide the voting of proxies in a manner that is consistent with Jennison's fiduciary duties and the requirements of Rule 206(4)-6 under the Advisers Act.

In the absence of any written delegation or when proxy voting authority has been delegated in writing to Jennison by clients, Jennison will exercise this voting authority in each client's best interests. The Company will not consider its own interests, or those of any affiliates, when voting proxies.

Unless otherwise specified by a client, "best interest" means the client's best economic interest over the long term, as determined by Jennison's portfolio managers and analysts ("Investment Professionals") covering the issuer. We recognize that the nature of ballot issues, including environmental and social issues ("ESG"), can vary widely depending on the company, industry practices, the company's operations and geographic footprint, to name a few, and will consider relevant issues, including ESG issues, in a manner consistent with our fiduciary duties and the goal of maximizing shareholder value.

Jennison's proxy voting policy and procedures and proxy voting records are publicly available on our website. Clients may obtain a copy of our guidelines, as well as the proxy voting records for that client's securities, by contacting the client service representative responsible for the client's account.

#### II. Procedures

#### **Proxy Voting Guidelines**

Jennison has adopted proxy voting guidelines ("Guidelines") with respect to certain recurring issues. When Jennison is responsible for voting proxies, Jennison considers these guidelines except, where appropriate, when Jennison accepts custom guidelines.

The Guidelines are reviewed annually and as necessary by the Proxy Team. Proposed revisions to the Guidelines are reviewed and approved by the Company's Proxy Voting Committee and Investment Professionals when a change is appropriate. The Proxy Team maintains the Guidelines and distributes copies to the Investment Professionals following confirmation of any change. The Guidelines are meant to convey Jennison's general approach to voting decisions on certain issues. Nevertheless, Investment Professionals are responsible for reviewing all proposals related to fundamental strategies individually and making final decisions based on the merits of each voting opportunity.

If an Investment Professional believes that Jennison should vote in a way that is different from the Guidelines, the Proxy Team is notified. In certain circumstances, an Investment Professional may conclude

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that different clients should vote in different ways, or that it is in the best interests of some or all clients to abstain from voting. The Proxy Team will notify each Investment Professional's supervisor of any Guideline overrides authorized by that Investment Professional.

The Proxy Team is responsible for maintaining Investment Professionals' reasons for deviating from the Guidelines.

## Client Directed and Jennison Custom Voting Guidelines

Any client's specific voting instructions must be communicated or confirmed by the client in writing, either through a provision in the investment advisory contract or through other written correspondence. Such instructions may call for Jennison to vote the client's securities according to the client's own voting guidelines ("Client Directed Custom Guidelines") or may indicate that the Company is not responsible for voting the client's proxies. We try to accommodate such requests where appropriate.

The Proxy Team reviews Client Directed Custom Guidelines and approves operational implementation, and certain instructions may only be implemented on a best efforts basis. The Proxy Team is responsible for communicating such instructions to the third party vendor.

Additionally, for certain investment products or vehicles that are developed and managed by the Company that seek to follow certain religious values ("Jennison Investment Products"), Jennison has adopted custom guidelines from a third party proxy voting vendor that are aligned with the particular Jennison Investment Product ("Jennison Custom Guidelines"). Prior to the adoption of Jennison Custom Guidelines, the Proxy Committee will review the custom guidelines provided by the third party proxy vendor. The Proxy Team will review the proxy voting records of the Jennison Investment Products that utilize the Jennison Custom Guidelines on a quarterly basis and provide reporting to the Proxy Committee.

## Use of a Third Party Voting Service

Jennison has engaged an independent third party proxy voting vendor that provides research and analytical services, operational implementation and recordkeeping and reporting services. The proxy voting vendor will cast votes in accordance with the Company's Guidelines; however, notwithstanding the Guidelines, Investment Professionals for fundamental strategies are responsible for reviewing the facts and circumstances related to each proposal in order to make all final voting decisions.

The third party proxy voting vendor is responsible for operational implementation of Client Directed Custom Guidelines and Jennison Custom Guidelines ("Client Directed Custom Guidelines and Jennison Custom Guidelines are collectively Custom Guidelines"). The ballots received for clients/accounts with Custom Guidelines will be automatically voted in accordance with the Custom Guideline recommendations by the third party proxy voting vendor. Jennison also subscribes to additional proxy voting research from another third party on proxy proposals relating to environmental and social topics.

#### **Identifying and Addressing Potential Material Conflicts of Interest**

There may be instances where Jennison's interests conflict materially, or appear to conflict materially, with the interests of clients in connection with a proxy vote (a "Material Conflict"). Examples of potential Material Conflicts include, but are not limited to:

- Jennison managing the pension plan of the issuer
- Jennison or its affiliates have a material business relationship with the issuer
- Jennison investment professionals who are related to a person who is senior management or a director at a public company







Jennison has a material investment in a security that the investment professional who is responsible for voting that security's proxy also holds the same security personally

If an Investment Professional or any other employee perceives a Material Conflict, he or she must promptly report the matter to the Chief Compliance Officer.

If the Proxy Voting Committee determines that a Material Conflict is present and if the Investment Professional is recommending a vote that deviates from the Guidelines or there is no specific recommended Guideline vote and decisions are made on a case-by-case basis, then the voting decision must be reviewed and approved by the Investment Professional's supervisor and the Proxy Committee prior to casting the vote.

Jennison will not abstain from voting a proxy for the purpose of avoiding a Material Conflict.

#### **Quantitatively Derived Holdings and the Jennison Managed Accounts**

In voting proxies for non-fundamental strategies such as quantitatively derived holdings and Jennison Managed Accounts (i.e. "wrap") where the securities are not held elsewhere in the firm, proxies will be voted utilizing the Guidelines. Additionally, in those circumstances where no specific Guidelines exist, the Company will consider the recommendations of the proxy voting vendor.

### **International Holdings**

Jennison will exercise opportunities to vote on international holdings on a best efforts basis. Such votes will be cast based on the same principles that govern domestic holdings.

In some countries casting a proxy vote can adversely affect a client, such as countries that restrict stock sales around the time of the proxy vote by requiring "share blocking" as part of the voting process. The Investment Professional covering the issuer will weigh the expected benefits of voting proxies on international holdings against any anticipated costs or limitations, such as those associated with share blocking. Jennison may abstain from voting if it anticipates that the costs or limitations associated with voting outweigh the benefits.

#### **Securities Lending**

Jennison may be unable to vote proxies when the underlying securities have been lent out pursuant to a client's securities lending program. The Company does not know when securities are on loan and are therefore not available to be voted. In rare circumstances, Investment Professionals may ask the Proxy Team to work with the client's custodian to recall the shares so that Jennison can vote. Efforts to recall loaned securities are not always effective since such requests must be submitted prior to the record date for the upcoming proxy vote; therefore voting shares on loan is on a best efforts basis. In determining whether to call back securities that are out on loan, the Investment Professional will consider whether the benefit to the client in voting the matter outweighs the benefit to the client in keeping the security out on loan.

#### **Disclosure to Advisory Clients**

Jennison will provide a copy of these Policies and Procedures and the Guidelines to any client upon request. The Company will also provide any client with information about how Jennison has voted that client's proxies upon request. Any such requests should be directed to the client service representative responsible for the client's account who will coordinate with the Proxy Team.





## **Compliance Reporting for Investment Companies**

Upon request, the Proxy Team will provide to each investment company for which Jennison acts as subadviser reporting needed to satisfy their regulatory and board requirements, including, but not limited to, information required for Form NP-X.

#### **Pre-Solicitation Contact**

From time to time, portfolio companies (or proxy solicitors acting on their behalf) may contact Investment Professionals or others in advance of the publication of proxy solicitation materials to solicit support for certain contemplated proposals.

A pre-solicitation contact is any communication, written or oral, formal or informal, with the company or a representative of the company regarding proxy proposals prior to publication of the official proxy solicitation materials

A pre-solicitation contact could result in the recipient receiving material non-public information.

In a situation when an employee is contacted in advance of publication of proxy solicitation materials or when the employee believes that the information shared could be considered material and non-public, the employee should immediately contact Compliance.

Under certain circumstances, it may be appropriate to share our general approach to certain issues. However, employees are prohibited from disclosing how we voted or promising to vote in a particular manner under any circumstance during these pre-solicitation meetings or contacts.

Jennison is a fiduciary and exercises opportunities to vote proxies solely in the best interest of our clients.

#### III. Internal Controls

#### **Supervisory Notification**

The Proxy Team will notify each Investment Professional's supervisor of any Guideline overrides authorized by that Investment Professional. The supervisor reviews the overrides ensuring that they were made based on clients' best interests, and that they were not influenced by any Material Conflict or other considerations.

#### The Proxy Voting Committee

The Proxy Voting Committee consists of representatives from Operations, Operational Risk, Legal, and Compliance. It meets at least quarterly, and has the following responsibilities:

- Review potential Material Conflicts and decide whether a material conflict is present, and needs to be addressed according to these policies and procedures
- Review proposed amendments to the Guidelines in consultation with the Investment Professionals and make revisions as appropriate
- Review these Policies and Procedures annually for accuracy and effectiveness, and recommend and adopt any necessary changes
- Review all Guideline overrides







- Review quarterly voting metrics and analysis published by the Proxy Team
- Review accuracy of the application of Custom Guidelines
- Review the performance of the proxy voting vendor and determine whether Jennison should continue to retain their services. The Committee will consider the following factors while conducting their review:
  - Accuracy and completeness of research reports, engagement with issuers, potential conflicts of interest and overall administration of Jennison's proxy voting recommendations.

# IV. Escalating Concerns

Any concerns about aspects of the policy that lack specific escalation guidance may be reported to the reporting employee's supervisor, the Chief Compliance Officer, Chief Legal Officer, Chief Risk Officer, Chief Ethics Officer, Chief Operating Officer or Chief Executive Officer. Alternatively, Jennison has an Ethics Reporting Hotline phone number and email address that enable employees to raise concerns anonymously. Information about the Ethics Reporting Hotline phone number and email address can be found on the Jennison intranet's "Ethics" web page.

# V. Discipline and Sanctions

All Jennison employees are responsible for understanding and complying with the policies and procedures outlined in this policy. The procedures described in this policy are intended to ensure that Jennison and its employees act in full compliance with the law. Violations of this policy and related procedures will be communicated to your supervisor and to senior management through Jennison's Compliance Council, and may lead to disciplinary action.



