

## **LSV ASSET MANAGEMENT PROXY VOTING POLICY**

LSV Asset Management's ("LSV" or the "Firm") proxy voting responsibilities on behalf of a client's account are expressly stated in the applicable agreement with such client. If LSV is responsible for voting proxies, the agreement with each client will typically state whether the votes will be cast in accordance with this proxy voting policy or in accordance with the client's proxy voting policy. In either case, LSV will make appropriate arrangements with each account custodian to have proxies forwarded on a timely basis, and will endeavor to correct delays or other problems relating to timely delivery of proxies and proxy materials to the extent it is aware of such delays or problems. If the client elects to retain proxy voting responsibility, LSV will have no involvement in the proxy voting process for that client.

To satisfy its fiduciary duty in making any voting determination, an investment adviser must make the determination in the best interests of the client and must not place the investment adviser's own interests ahead of the interests of the client. In addition, with respect to Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA") plan clients, LSV directs its voting activity solely in the interests of the participants and beneficiaries and for the exclusive purpose of providing benefits to participants and their beneficiaries and defraying reasonable expenses.

In general, LSV's quantitative investment process does not provide output or analysis that would be functional in analyzing proxy issues. As a result, LSV does not consider proxy voting to be a material factor in its investment strategy or results. LSV, therefore, has retained an expert independent third party to assist in proxy voting, currently Glass Lewis & Co. ("GLC"). LSV's selection of GLC was made after careful consideration of GLC's proxy voting services, including related voting policies and expertise. GLC implements LSV's proxy voting process, develops proxy voting guidelines, and provides analysis of proxy issues on a case-by-case basis. Where LSV is responsible for voting proxies for current clients, LSV will vote in accordance with GLC's standard Benchmark Policy guidelines for applicable markets, as updated from time to time. These guidelines generally are aligned with LSV's investment goals, and LSV's use of GLC, therefore, is not a delegation of LSV's fiduciary obligation to vote proxies for clients. GLC's guidelines have been developed based on, among other things, GLC's focus on facilitating shareholder voting in favor of governance structures that drive performance and create shareholder value. LSV believes that GLC's guidelines are reasonably designed to ensure that proxies are voted in the best interests of LSV's clients. Although it is expected to be rare, LSV reserves the right to vote issues contrary to, or issues not covered by, GLC's guidelines when LSV believes it is in the best interests of the client and LSV does not have a material conflict of interest. In certain circumstances, clients who submit written requests may be permitted to direct their vote in a particular solicitation. Direction from a client on a particular proxy vote will take precedence over GLC's guidelines. Where the client has engaged LSV to vote proxies and has also provided proxy voting guidelines to LSV or selected other available GLC guidelines for their account, those guidelines will be followed with the assistance of GLC. LSV is able to offer to interested clients, upon request, GLC's thematic guidelines, which provide for a range of approaches for clients with their own perspectives on ESG or other issues. The following guidelines are available and may be obtained from LSV and applied to clients' accounts upon request: Catholic guidelines; Climate guidelines; Corporate Governance Focused guidelines; ESG guidelines; Investment Manager

guidelines; Public Pension guidelines; Taft-Hartley guidelines; and Trust Bank guidelines. LSV describes available GLC guidelines to clients on at least an annual basis.

GLC assists LSV with voting execution, including through an electronic vote management system that allows GLC to: (1) populate each client's votes shown on GLC's electronic voting platform with GLC's recommendations under applicable guidelines ("pre-population"); and (2) automatically submit the client's votes to be counted ("automated voting"). There will likely be circumstances where, before the submission deadline for proxies to be voted at the shareholder meeting, an issuer intends to file or has filed additional soliciting materials with the SEC regarding a matter to be voted upon. It is possible in such circumstances that LSV's use of pre-population and automated voting could result in votes being cast that do not take into account such additional information. In order to address these concerns, GLC actively monitors information sources for supplemental or updated information from issuers and has in place a system to allow for issuer feedback on its voting recommendations. Such updated information and feedback is considered by GLC and voting recommendations are modified as appropriate. LSV's pre-populated votes would then also be automatically updated. GLC's processes in this area are part of LSV's review of their services as described below.

LSV conducts a number of periodic reviews to seek to ensure votes are cast in accordance with this policy and applicable GLC guidelines. In addition, on a semi-annual basis, LSV requires GLC to, among other things, provide confirmations regarding its policies and procedures and reporting on any changes to such policies and procedures. As part of such semi-annual process, LSV also obtains information regarding the capacity and competency of GLC to provide proxy advisory services to LSV.

In the voting process, conflicts can arise between LSV's interests and those of its clients, or between clients' interests due to each client's objectives. In such situations, LSV will continue to vote the proxies in accordance with the recommendations of GLC based on each client's applicable guidelines. A written record will be maintained explaining the reasoning for the vote recommendation. LSV also monitors GLC's conflicts of interest policies and procedures on a periodic basis.

LSV may be unable or may choose not to vote proxies in certain situations. For example, and without limitation, LSV may refrain from voting a proxy if (i) the cost of voting the proxy exceeds the expected benefit to the client, (ii) LSV is not given enough time to process the vote, (iii) voting the proxy requires the security to be "blocked" or frozen from trading or (iv) it is otherwise impractical or impossible to vote the proxy, such as in the case of voting a foreign security that must be cast in person. Where clients have entered into securities lending agreements covering securities in accounts managed by LSV, the Firm will not be involved in such clients' decisions to recall loaned securities for voting or other purposes unless specifically agreed to in writing.

Clients may receive a copy of this proxy voting policy and LSV's voting record for their account by request. In addition, clients are sent a summary of available guidelines on an annual basis and may request a copy of their respective guidelines or elect to change their guidelines at any time. LSV will additionally provide any registered investment company for which LSV acts as adviser or sub-adviser, a copy of LSV's voting record for the fund so that the fund may fulfill its obligation

to report proxy votes to fund shareholders.

LSV may modify this policy and use of GLC from time to time.

### Recordkeeping

LSV will retain:

1. Copies of its proxy voting policies and procedures.
2. A copy of each proxy statement received regarding client securities (maintained by the proxy voting service and/or available on EDGAR).
3. A record of each vote cast on behalf of a client (maintained by the proxy voting service).
4. A copy of any document created that was material to the voting decision or that memorializes the basis for that decision (maintained by the proxy voting service and/or the Firm).
5. A copy of clients' written requests for proxy voting information and a copy of LSV's written response to a client's request for proxy voting information for the client's account.

LSV will ensure that it may obtain access to the proxy voting service's records promptly upon LSV's request.

The above listed information is intended to, among other things, enable clients to review LSV's proxy voting procedures and actions taken in individual proxy voting situations.

LSV will maintain required materials in an easily accessible place for not less than five years from the end of the fiscal year during which the last entry took place.

### Consideration of Environmental, Social and Governance Factors

LSV became a signatory to the Principles for Responsible Investment ("PRI") in April 2014. GLC is also a signatory to the PRI. The PRI provides a framework, through its six principles, for consideration of environmental, social and governance ("ESG") factors in portfolio management and investment decision-making. The six principles ask an investment manager, to the extent consistent with its fiduciary duties, to seek to: (1) incorporate ESG issues into investment analysis and decision-making processes; (2) be an active owner and incorporate ESG issues into its ownership policies and practices; (3) obtain appropriate disclosure on ESG issues by the entities in which it invests; (4) promote acceptance and implementation of the PRI principles within the investment industry; (5) work to enhance its effectiveness in implementing the PRI principles; and (6) report on its activities and progress toward implementing the PRI principles.

Voting in favor of effective disclosure and governance of ESG issues to drive performance and create shareholder value is incorporated into GLC's standard Benchmark Policy guidelines, as well as a supplement GLC maintains for shareholder initiatives. In each case, GLC's guidelines emphasize assessing the financial implications of ESG issues in context of a company's operations. Thus, by utilizing these GLC guidelines, LSV seeks to apply the PRI and incorporate ESG issues into its proxy voting decision-making processes in a manner consistent with its fiduciary duties.