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Shareowner Services P.O. Box 64945 St. Paul. MN 55164-0945

GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY

ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREOWNERS Wednesday, May 8, 2019 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time

> Westchester Marriott 670 White Plains Road Tarrytown, NY 10591

Directions to the General Electric Company Annual Meeting are available in the proxy statement which can be viewed at www.proxydocs.com/GE.

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Shareowner Meeting to be Held on May 8, 2019.

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of Shareowners of General Electric will be held at the Westchester Marriott, 670 White Plains Road, Tarrytown, NY 10591 on Wednesday, May 8, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time.

This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet. We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before votina.

The Proxy Statement and Annual Report are available at www.proxydocs.com/GE

If you want to receive a paper copy or an e-mail with links to the electronic materials, you must request one. There is no charge to you for requesting a copy. Please make your request for a copy as instructed on the reverse side of this notice on or before April 26, 2019 to facilitate timely delivery.

Proposals to be voted on at the meeting are listed below along with the Board of Directors' recommendations.

Your Board of Directors recommends a vote "FOR" the following nominees:

- Election of Directors:
 - 1. Sébastien Bazin
 - 5. Thomas Horton 2. H. Lawrence Culp, Jr. 6. Risa Lavizzo-Mourey
- 9 Leslie Seidman 10. James Tisch
- 3. Francisco D'Souza 7. Catherine Lesjak
- 4. Edward Garden
- 8. Paula Rosput Reynolds

Management Proposals — Your Board of Directors recommends a vote "FOR" the following proposals:

- Advisory Approval of Our Named Executives' Compensation 11.
- Approval of the Reduction of Minimum Number of Directors from 10 to 7 12.
- Ratification of KPMG as Independent Auditor for 2019 13.

Shareowner Proposals - Your Board of Directors recommends a vote "AGAINST" the following proposals:

Require the Chairman of the Board to be Independent 14. 15. Adopt Cumulative Voting for Director Elections

THIS IS NOT A FORM FOR VOTING

You may immediately vote your proxy on the Internet at:

www.proxypush.com/GE

Use the Internet to vote your proxy 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, until 11:59 p.m. (CT) on May 7, 2019.

Please have this Notice and the last four digits of your Social Security Number or Tax Identification Number available. Follow the instructions to vote your proxy. Scan the QR code to the right for mobile voting. Your Internet vote authorizes the Named Proxies to vote your shares in the same manner as if you marked, signed and

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To request paper copies of the proxy materials, which include the proxy card, Proxy Statement and Annual Report, please contact us via:

Internet/Mobile – Access the Internet and go to www.investorelections.com/GE. Follow the instructions to log in, and order copies.

Telephone – Call us free of charge at 866-870-3684 in the U.S. or Canada, using a touch-tone phone, and follow the instructions to log in and order copies.

Email – Send us an email at paper@investorelections.com with "GE Materials Request" in the subject line. The email must include:

The 11-digit control number located in the box in the upper right hand corner on the front of this notice.

Your preference to receive printed materials via mail -or- to receive an email with links to the electronic materials.

If you choose email delivery you must include the email address.

If you would like this election to apply to delivery of material for all future meetings, write the word "Permanent" and include the last 4 digits of your Social Security Number or Tax Identification Number in the email.

*** Exercise Your *Right* to Vote *** Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Shareowner Meeting to Be Held on May 08, 2019.

GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY

Meeting Information Meeting Type: Annual Meeting For holders as of: March 11, 2019 Date: May 08, 2019 Time: 10:00 AM EDT Location: Westchester Marriott 670 White Plains Road Tarrytown, NY 10591

You are receiving this communication because you hold shares in the above named company.

This is not a ballot. You cannot use this notice to vote these shares. This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet. You may view the proxy materials online at *www.proxyvote.com* or easily request a paper copy (see reverse side).

We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting.

— Before You Vote —

How to Access the Proxy Materials

Proxy Materials Available to VIEW or RECEIVE:

1. Annual Report 2. Notice & Proxy Statement

How to View Online:

XXXX XXXX XXXX XXXX (located on the following page) and visitwww.proxyvote.com.

How to Request and Receive a PAPER or E-MAIL Copy:

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1) BY INTERNEW.proxyvote.com

2) *BY*

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3) *BY*

E-MAIL*sendmaterial@proxyvote.com

* If requesting materials by e-mail, please send a blank e-mail with the information that is printed in the box marked XXXX XXXX XXXX (located on the following page) in the subject line.

Requests, instructions and other inquiries sent to this e-mail address will NOT be forwarded to your investment advisor. Please make the request as instructed above on or before April 24, 2019 to facilitate timely delivery.

— How To Vote —

Please Choose One of the Following Voting Methods

Vote In Person: If you choose to vote these shares in person at the meeting, you must request a "*legal proxy*." To do so, please follow the instructions at *www.proxyvote.com* or request a paper copy of the materials, which will contain the appropriate instructions. Many shareholder meetings have attendance requirements including, but not limited to, the possession of an attendance ticket issued by the entity holding the meeting. Please check the meeting materials for any special requirements for meeting attendance.

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Vote By Mail: You can vote by mail by requesting a paper copy of the materials, which will include a voting instruction form.

Voting Items

The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following proposal $({\bf s})$:

Election of Directors

Nominees

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Approval of a Reduction of Minimum Number of Directors from 10 to 7

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Ratification of KPMG as Independent Auditor 2019

The Board of Directors recommends you vote AGAINST the following proposal(s):

14.	Require the Chairman of the Board to be Independent
15.	Adopt Cumulative Voting for Director Elections

Voting items Continued

NOTE: THIS PROXY WHEN PROPERLY EXECUTED WILL BE VOTED AS DIRECTED OR, IF NO DIRECTION IS GIVE, WILL BE VOTED AS THE BOARD RECOMMENDS.

Voting Instructions

Dear GE Shareowner,

Enclosed are the GE 2018 Annual Report and the Proxy Statement for the 2019 Annual Meeting. We encourage you to review these materials carefully and use them to participate in this year s voting.

How you can vote

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How you can view the proxy materials online

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SAVINGS: Electronic delivery of these materials saves the Company the costs of printing and mailing paper copies. The savings from e-delivery can be substantial.

You are a valued GE shareowner. Thank you for participating in this process and voting your enclosed proxy promptly. If you have any questions, please contact GE Corporate Investor Communications at 617-443-3400.

Sincerely,

Steve Winoker Vice President Corporate Investor Communications

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