

## 2018 PROXY SEASON REVIEW & OTHER TOPICS

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Agenda for Today's Event

Welcome

Highlights from 2017 Proxy Season

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Performance and Pay



Pay Mix and Plan Design

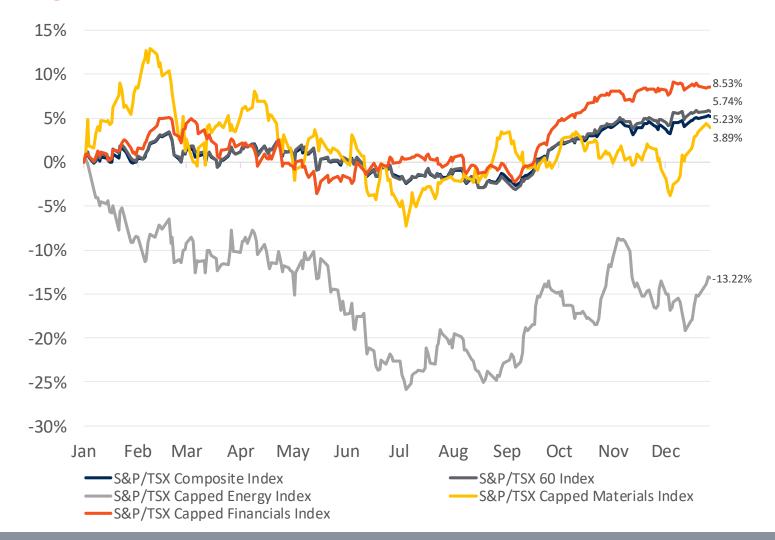
Say on Pay Results

Emerging Topics and U.S.

Scope of study:

- Companies in the TSX 60 Index
- 2018 proxies commenting on Fiscal 2017 (n = 59)
- Say on Pay results among the TSX Composite as of June 11, 2018 (n = 155)

# 2017 Sector Performance – solid year following a strong 2016

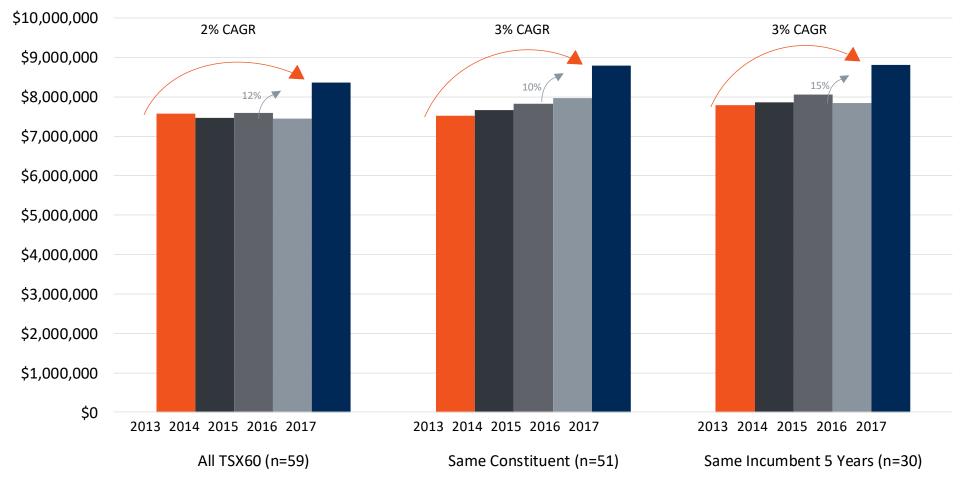


## 2017 Growth – resource sector underperforms nonresources

200% Resource 37% 150% Non-Resource 95% 100% 2016 50% 0% -50% -100% TSX60 Index Constituents - 2017 Total Shareholder Return 75% Resource -9% 50% Non-Resource 12% 25% 0% 2017 -25% -50%

TSX60 Index Constituents - 2016 Total Shareholder Return

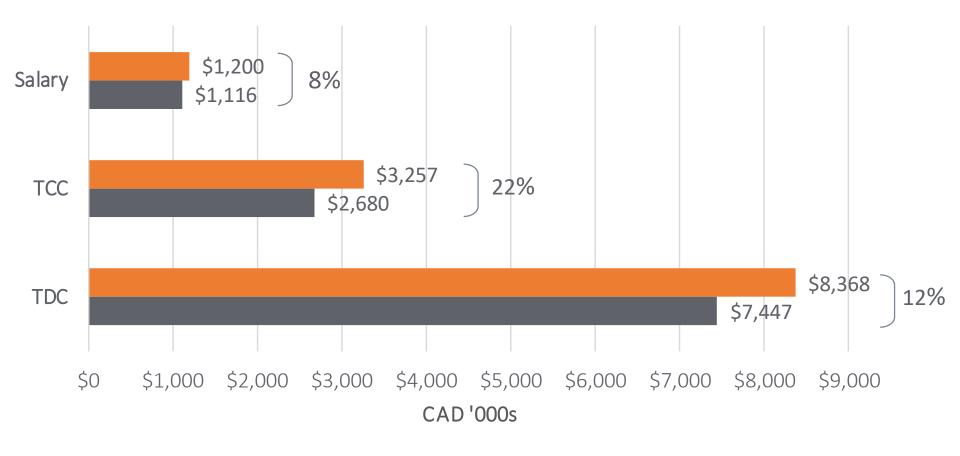
### Is CEO Pay Being "Ratcheted" Up?



5 Year Trend in Median TSX 60 CEO TDC

### 2017 CEO Pay Trends – material increase in STIP

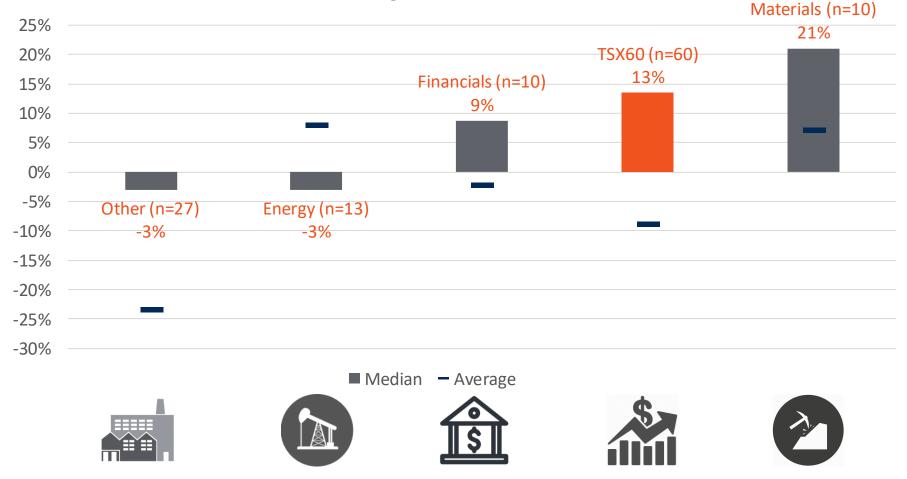
## TSX60: Year-Over-Year Changes in Actual Compensation 2016 & 2017



2017 2016

# 2017 Industry Pay – a strong year for materials and financials

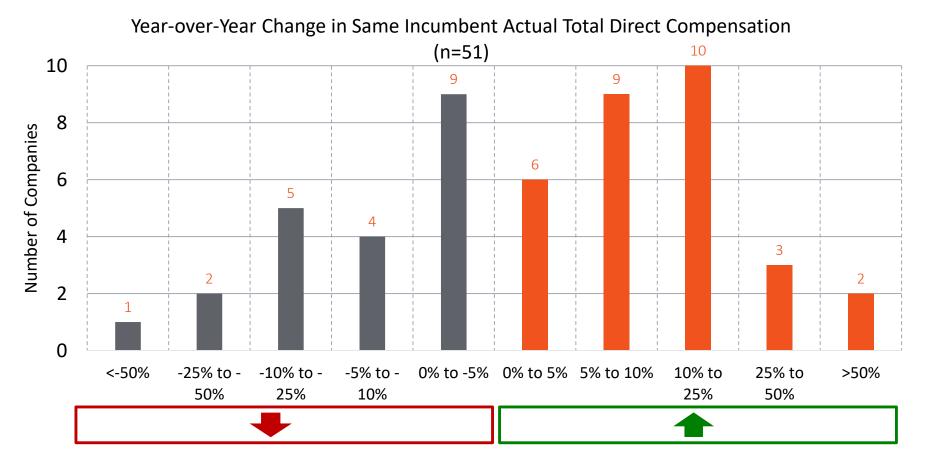
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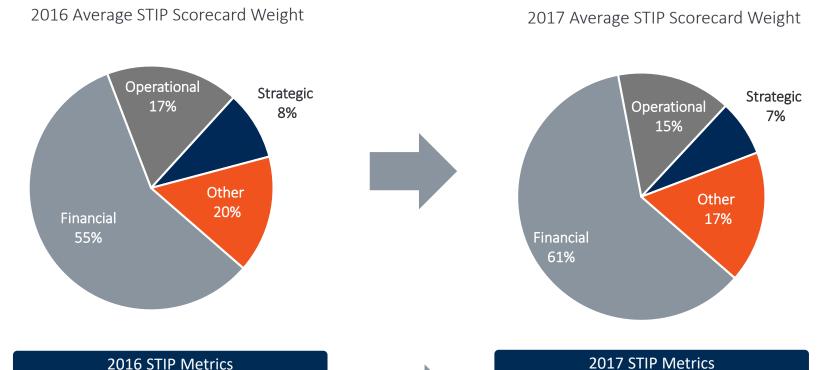
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### 2017 Same Incumbent YOY Actual Pay

More instances of companies increasing YOY same incumbent pay – mostly in the 5-25% range



## TSX60 Incentive Design – No significant change in **STIP** design

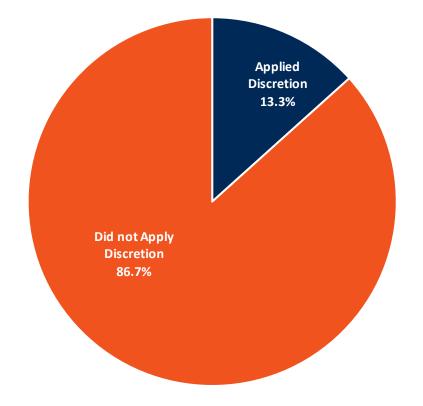


2016 STIP Metrics

Average number of types of metrics used: 2.8 57% have an individual component

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### Lower prevalence of "override" discretion in 2017

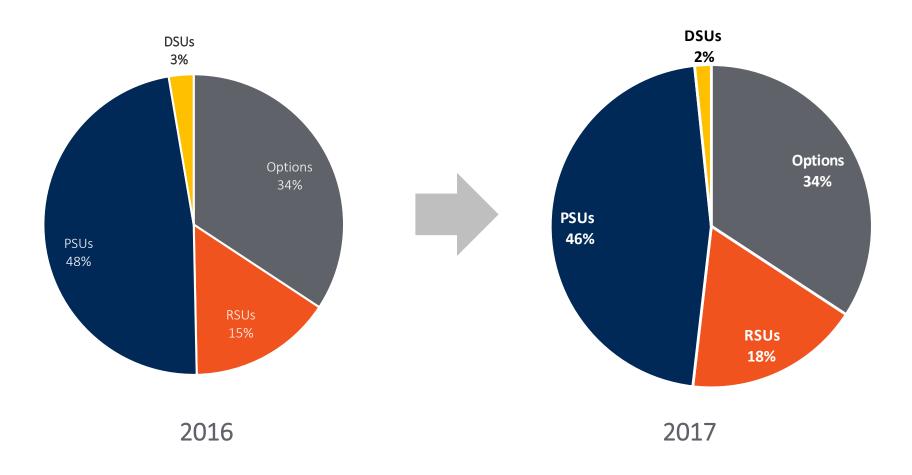


13% of the TSX60 applied discretion in **2017**, representing a decrease in use of discretion from **2016** (29%)



### CEO Pay Mix and Plan Design: LTI Mix

Long-term incentive plan mix generally consistent year over year



### Pay Mix and Plan Design: PSU Framework

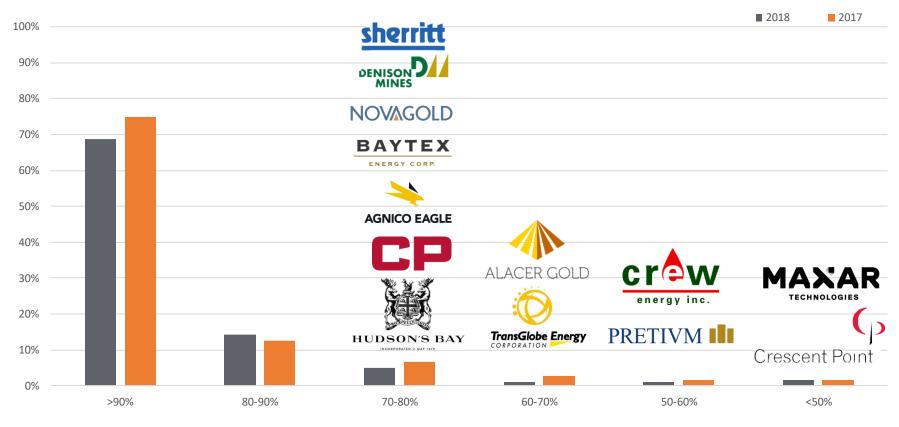
Little change in PSU performance design

	2016	2017
Use of relative TSR metric	63%	63%
Use of return metric (e.g. ROE)	33%	30%
Use of operational metric (e.g. safety)	17%	10%
# of performance metrics on average	2.0	1.7

## Say-on-Pay results of TSX listed companies in 2018

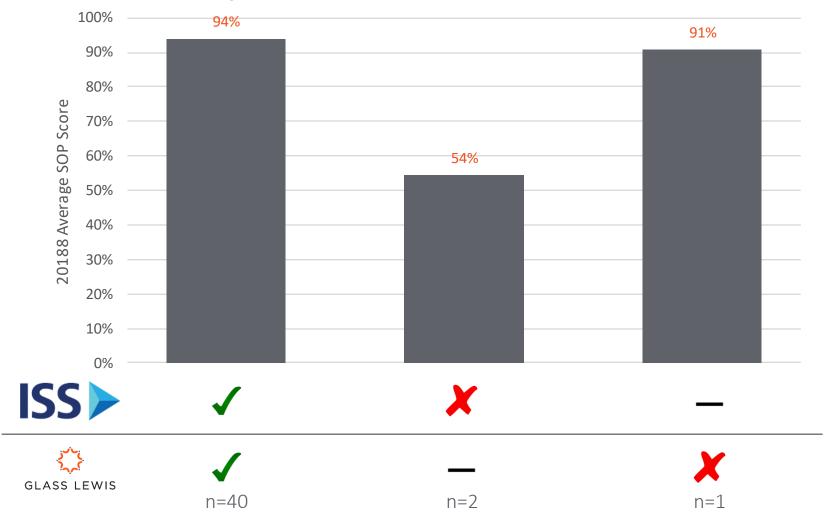
Overall, we see a similar pattern in voting results as 2017

Canada Say-on-Pay Voting Results 2018 vs. 2017



Results as of June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018

# Say on Pay Results: Influence of ISS and Glass Lewis on TSX60 Companies



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### 2018 Say-on-Pay Poor Results

Two Say-on-Pay failures so far in 2018. Misalignment between pay and performance continues to be a key factor behind recommendations "against" by proxy advisors

Company	"AGAINST" Recommendation from Proxy Advisor	Key Issue	2018 SoP Result
Crescent Point ENERGY CORP	ISS	Pay and performance disconnect	37%
	GLASS LEWIS	Pay and performance disconnect	47%
СР	ISS	Pay and performance disconnect	70%

## Companies Responding to Low Say-on-Pay in 2017

Substantial changes in pay practice and decisions led to notable improvements in 2017 Say-on-Pay approval rating

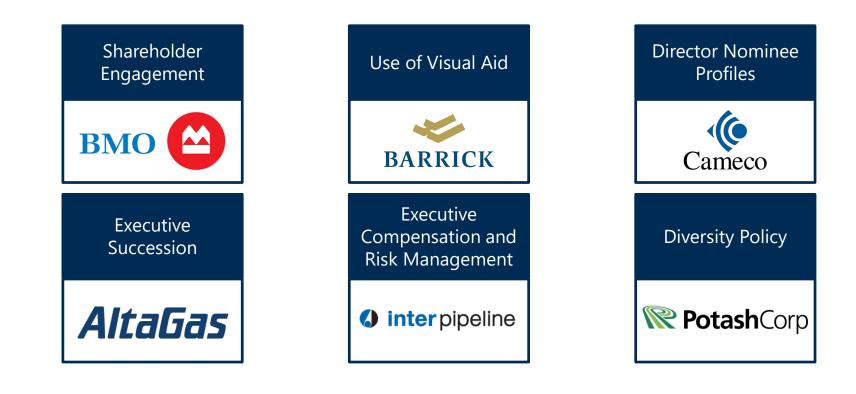
Company	Key Issue	Response	SoP Result
		Engaged with shareholders	
<b>Trans</b> Alta	Pay and performance disconnect	<ul> <li>Coal negotiation and transition metric added to STIP</li> </ul>	
		Reduce option weighting by 5%	47% → 89%
		<ul> <li>Increase PSU weighting by 5%</li> </ul>	
		Removed Enbridge as a peer	
		No discretionary awards considered	
	Pay and	Engaged with shareholders	
		<ul> <li>Cancelled CEO's front-loaded sign-on PSU grant</li> </ul>	
VALEANT Pharmaceuticals International	performance disconnect	STIP payouts purely formulaic	68% → 95%
		• CEO LTIP mix change from pure PSUs to mix of PSUs, RSUs, Stock Options	

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IAMGOLD	Misalignment of value distribution between shareholders and executives	<ul> <li>Engaged with shareholders</li> <li>Removal of Working Capital and Cost/Oz metrics, addition of Strategic Initiatives metric</li> <li>2-Year relative TSR replaced with 50/50 split between 1-Year and 3- Year relative TSR</li> </ul>	68% → 95%
		Clarified equity award metrics	
	Poor overall design	Adoption of clawback	
		<ul> <li>Improved disclosure of STIP metrics and discretionary bonuses</li> </ul>	73% →
		<ul> <li>STIP scorecard reweighting (50% discretionary to 25% discretionary)</li> </ul>	96%
		Introduction of PSU plan	

### Best Practices in Proxy Disclosure (CCGG)



### **On-going Themes**

### Longer-Term Long-Term Incentives

Introduction of instruments with terms of 5+ years

### **Simplifying Plans**

Focusing management on true value-add drivers, easing communication and understanding of plans

### Use of Options

2 companies introducing/reintroducing options in 2017

Decrease in the sole use of Relative TSR

Movement towards absolute metrics

North-Americanization of Canadian Companies

Adoption of US or North American pay philosophy

### Case Studies – Crescent Point and Hydro One

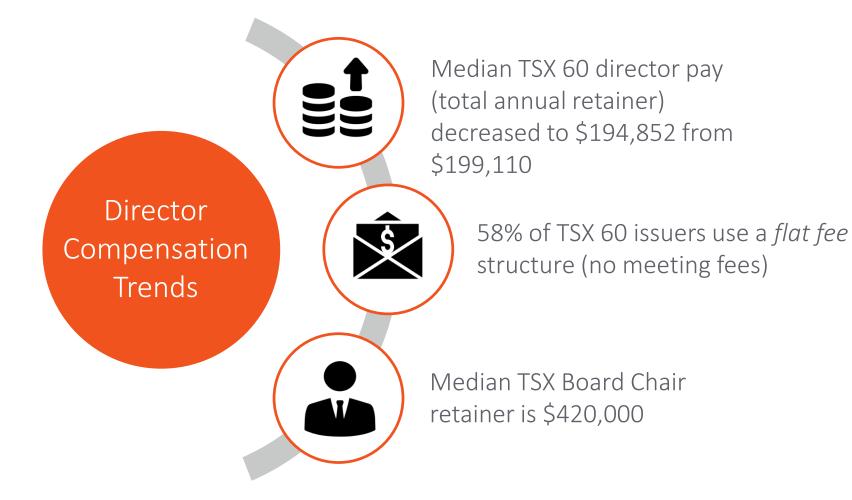
## Crescent Point

- Minority shareholder, Cation Capital, launches a proxy contest in April 2018
- Cation puts forward 4 nominees, of which ISS supported two
- Shareholders voted down the proposal and voted to re-elect all Crescent Point directors
- Key Takeaways: Board quickly engaged shareholders in response to the dissident proposal
- Average Management Nominee director support: 83%
- 2018 Say-on-Pay support: 38.5%



- Hydro One's executive and director compensation and related governance provisions drew criticism from Ontario politicians
- Province of Ontario (47% owner) abstained from voting on Say-on-Pay. Balance of shareholders voted 92% in favor on SoP
- Key Takeaways: importance of effectively communicating the rationale for pay framework (Canadian growth, expansion to the US, financial performance)
- Yet not immune from politicization

### **Director Compensation Trends**



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## **Emerging Topics**

## **Rewarding Growth vs Returns**



### Shareholder Community Concern

- Shareholders have become increasingly vocal on over-emphasis of growth (v. returns) in compensation design, particularly in extractive industries
- Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan article, Sailing Stone, Paulson & Co have all commented on lack of management and shareholder alignment



### ISS Updates – Return Metrics

 Updated pay-forperformance methodology in 2017 to include ROE, ROA and ROIC relative to peers



#### Addition of Return Metrics

- Crescent Point
- Magna
- TD



#### **Board Considerations**

OTPP recommendations:

- STIP metrics per share and debt adjusted
- Focus management on ROE and ROCE
- Supplement Relative TSR with Absolute

## Gender Diversity & Pay Transparency



### Institutional Shareholders

- Public Sector Investment Board (PSP)
- Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan (OTPP)
- Caisse de Dépôt et Placement du Quebec (CDPQ)
- State Street Global Advisors
- Blackrock



### **Proxy Advisors**

- ISS will withhold voting if no diversity policy and no females on the Board
- Glass Lewis will recommend against Chair of Nominating committee of Boards with no females and no policy



- UK requirement to disclose pay difference between male and female employees; US CEO pay ratio
- Canadian banks called out for significant gender pay gaps



### Gender Diversity Quotas

• As of 2017, 53% of companies in the TSX60 had adopted formal gender diversity quotas

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### **ESG Trends**



### Shareholder Engagement

- Larry Fink letter to CEOs, emphasis on social and environmental impact of operations
- Focus solely on short term financial gain no longer sufficient



#### Shareholder Community

- Increased proposals in 2018 focused on ESG factors
- OTPP recommends the use of a GHG emissions target in compensation design (where relevant)

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#### Proxy Advisors

ISS: Effective 2018, includes ISS E&S QuickScore in reporting Glass Lewis: Effective 2017, incorporates ESG risk profile into reporting



### ESG & Compensation Design

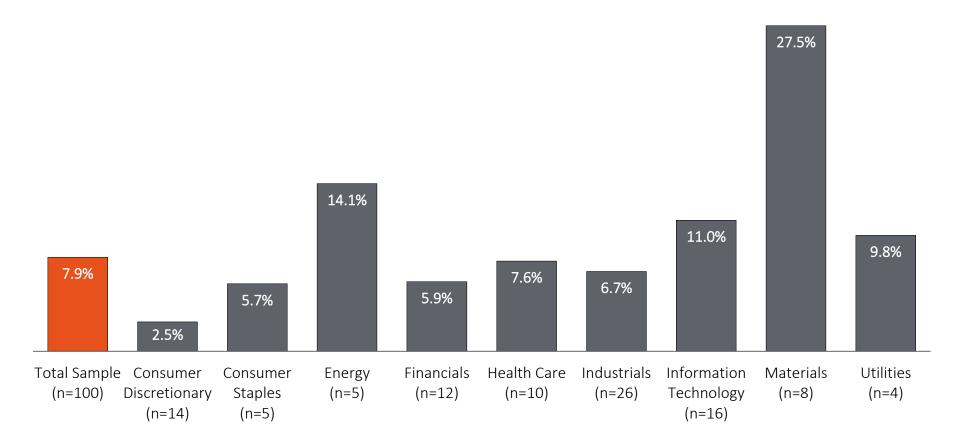
77% of the TSX60 use ESG metrics (e.g., CNRL's scorecard, CN Rail)



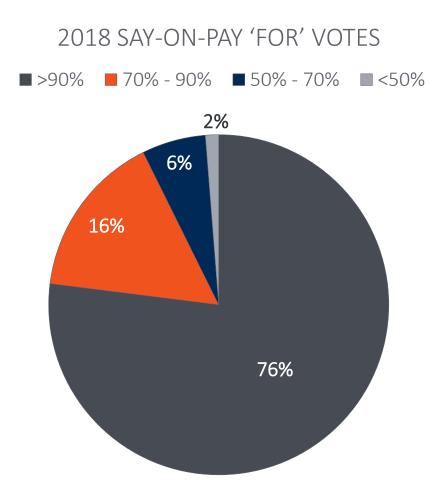
## U.S. Compensation

# 2018 early proxy filer data – median 1 year change in CEO total compensation

Pay packages increased 8.5% to \$11.7 million in 2017

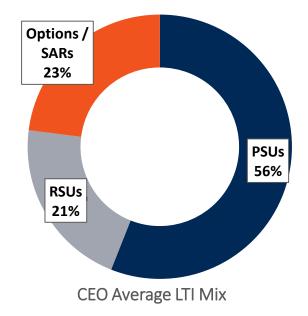


# 2018 US Say-on-Pay Votes reveals 2% of companies falling below 50%



# US Compensation Design reveals higher prominence of PSUs

Shareholder sentiment and themes on pay design



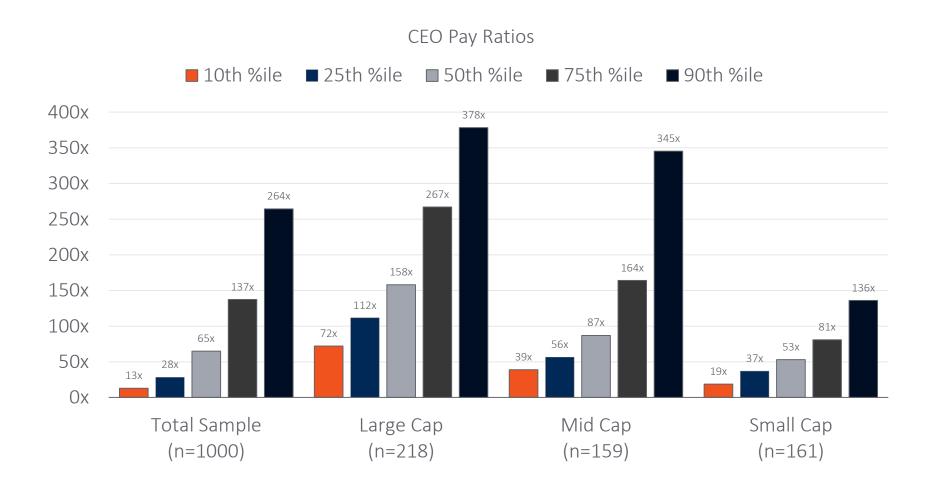
- Greater emphasis on performance-based compensation (particularly PSUs)
- Multiple performance metrics are the norm with the number increasing
- Concerns over complexity of pay programs and too many metrics/vehicles
- RSUs are now more prevalent than options

### US Snapshot: Regulatory & Related Governance

### > Tax Cuts and Job Act of 2017

- Corporate Governance Reform and Transparency Act of 2017
- Dodd-Frank Rollback
- > Wells Fargo Federal Reserve Restrictions
- > Continued Trends in Shareholder Engagement
- Pay ratio Findings

### **CEO** Pay Ratio findings



## Discussion