Scania Staff Pension Plan Implementation Statement for the year ended 30 April 2023

Purpose

This Implementation Statement provides information on how, and the extent to which, the Trustees of the Scania Staff Pension Plan ("the Plan") have followed their policy in relation to the exercising of rights (including voting rights) attached to the Plan's investments, and engagement activities during the year ended 30 April 2023 ("the reporting year"). In addition, the statement provides a summary of the voting behaviour and most significant votes cast by investment managers on behalf of the Plan during the reporting year.

Background

In June 2019, the Trustees received training on Environmental, Social and Governance ("ESG") issues from their Investment Adviser, XPS Investment ("XPS"), and discussed their beliefs around those issues. This enabled the Trustees to consider how to update their policy in relation to ESG and voting issues.

Additionally, in Q3 2020, the Trustees received further information on new requirements for the Plan's Statement of Investment Principles ("SIP"). This included the need to address stewardship in more detail, and the need to explain the incentives the Trustees use to encourage their investment managers used by the Plan to align their investment strategy with the Trustees' policies and to ensure that decisions are based on long-term performance. The Trustees' new policies were documented in the updated SIP dated September 2020.

The Trustees' updated policy

During the reporting year, there have not been any additional policies introduced, or changes made to existing policies, within the SIP.

Manager selection exercises

One of the main ways in which the updated policies are expressed is via manager selection exercises: the Trustees seek advice from XPS on the extent to which their views on ESG and climate change risks may be taken into account in any future investment manager selection exercises. There were no manager selection exercises over the period.

ESG issues will be kept under review as part of the monitoring process and the Trustees will communicate any concerns with the relevant investment manager organisations when, for example, they present at meetings.

Ongoing governance

The Trustees, with the assistance of XPS, monitor the processes and operational behaviour of the investment managers from time to time, to ensure they remain appropriate and in line with the Trustees' requirements as set out in the Statement of Investment Principles. Further, the Trustees have set XPS the objective of ensuring that any selected managers reflect the Trustees' views on ESG (including climate change) and stewardship.

Beyond the governance work currently undertaken, the Trustees believe that their approach to, and policy on, ESG matters will evolve over time based on factors including developments within the industry. In particular, whilst the Trustees have not, to date, introduced specific stewardship priorities, they will monitor the results of those votes deemed by the managers to be most significant in order to determine whether specific priorities should be introduced and communicated to the managers.

Over the period, the Trustees commissioned an ESG Ratings Report to provide an overview of the extent to which ESG integration, climate change considerations and stewardship are incorporated within the investments. The report found that the Plan's investments arrangements are employing acceptable degrees of ESG risk management.

Adherence to the Statement of Investment Principles

During the reporting year the Trustees are satisfied that they followed their policy on the exercise of rights (including voting rights) and engagement activities to an acceptable degree.

Voting activity

The main asset class where the investment managers will have voting rights is equities. The Plan has exposure to public equities through its allocations to a diversified growth fund.

Therefore, a summary of the voting behaviour and most significant votes cast by Legal and General Investment Management ("LGIM") is as follows:

Legal and General Investment Management Dynamic Diversified Fund

Voting Information

LGIM Dynamic Diversified Fund

The manager voted on 99.83% of resolutions of which they were eligible out of 99647 eligible votes.

Investment Manager Client Consultation Policy on Voting

LGIM's voting and engagement activities are driven by ESG professionals and their assessment of the requirements in these areas seeks to achieve the best outcome for all our clients. Our voting policies are reviewed annually and take into account feedback from our clients.

Every year, LGIM holds a stakeholder roundtable event where clients and other stakeholders (civil society, academia, the private sector and fellow investors) are invited to express their views directly to the members of the Investment Stewardship team. The views expressed by attendees during this event form a key consideration as we continue to develop our voting and engagement policies and define strategic priorities in the years ahead. We also take into account client feedback received at regular meetings and/ or ad-hoc comments or enquiries.

Investment Manager Process to determine how to Vote

All decisions are made by LGIM's Investment Stewardship team and in accordance with our relevant Corporate Governance & Responsible Investment and Conflicts of Interest policy documents which are reviewed annually. Each member of the team is allocated a specific sector globally so that the voting is undertaken by the same individuals who engage with the relevant company. This ensures our stewardship approach flows smoothly throughout the engagement and voting process and that engagement is fully integrated into the vote decision process, therefore sending consistent messaging to companies.

How does this manager determine what constitutes a 'Significant' Vote?

As regulation on vote reporting has recently evolved with the introduction of the concept of 'significant vote' by the EU Shareholder Rights Directive II, LGIM wants to ensure we continue

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to help our clients in fulfilling their reporting obligations. We also believe public transparency of our vote activity is critical for our clients and interested parties to hold us to account. For many years, LGIM has regularly produced case studies and/ or summaries of LGIM's vote positions to clients for what we deemed were 'material votes'. We are evolving our approach in line with the new regulation and are committed to provide our clients access to 'significant vote' information.

In determining significant votes, LGIM's Investment Stewardship team takes into account the criteria provided by the Pensions & Lifetime Savings Association (PLSA) guidance. This includes but is not limited to:

- High profile vote which has such a degree of controversy that there is high client and/ or public scrutiny;
- Significant client interest for a vote: directly communicated by clients to the Investment Stewardship team at LGIM's annual Stakeholder roundtable event, or where we note a significant increase in requests from clients on a particular vote;
 - Sanction vote as a result of a direct or collaborative engagement;
- Vote linked to an LGIM engagement campaign, in line with LGIM Investment Stewardship's 5year ESG priority engagement themes.

We provide information on significant votes in the format of detailed case studies in our quarterly ESG impact report and annual active ownership publications.

The vote information is updated on a daily basis and with a lag of one day after a shareholder meeting is held. We also provide the rationale for all votes cast against management, including votes of support to shareholder resolutions.

If you have any additional questions on specific votes, please note that LGIM publicly discloses its vote instructions on our website at: https://vds.issgovernance.com/vds/#/MjU2NQ==/

Does the manager utilise a Proxy Voting System? If so, please detail

LGIM's Investment Stewardship team uses ISS's 'ProxyExchange' electronic voting platform to electronically vote clients' shares. All voting decisions are made by LGIM and we do not outsource any part of the strategic decisions. Our use of ISS recommendations is purely to augment our own research and proprietary ESG assessment tools. The Investment Stewardship team also uses the research reports of Institutional Voting Information Services (IVIS) to supplement the research reports that we receive from ISS for UK companies when making specific voting decisions.

To ensure our proxy provider votes in accordance with our position on ESG, we have put in place a custom voting policy with specific voting instructions. These instructions apply to all markets globally and seek to uphold what we consider are minimum best practice standards which we believe all companies globally should observe, irrespective of local regulation or practice.

We retain the ability in all markets to override any vote decisions, which are based on our custom voting policy. This may happen where engagement with a specific company has provided additional information (for example from direct engagement, or explanation in the annual report) that allows us to apply a qualitative overlay to our voting judgement. We have strict monitoring controls to ensure our votes are fully and effectively executed in accordance with our voting policies by our service provider. This includes a regular manual check of the votes input into the platform, and an electronic alert service to inform us of rejected votes which require further action.

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Top 5 Significant Votes during the Period			
Company	Voting Subject	How did the Investment Manager Vote?	Result
Royal Dutch Shell Plc	Resolution 20 - Approve the Shell Energy Transition Progress Update	Against	79.9% of shareholders supported the resolution
LGIM will continue to engage with our investee companies, publicly advocate our position on this issue and monitor company and market-level progress.			
Rio Tinto Plc	Resolution 17 - Approve Climate Action Plan	Against	84.3% of shareholders supported the resolution
LGIM will continue to engage with our investee companies, publicly advocate our position on this issue and monitor company and market-level progress.			
Prologis, Inc.	Resolution 1a - Elect Director Hamid R. Moghadam	Against	92.9% of shareholders supported the resolution
LGIM will continue to engage with our investee companies, publicly advocate our position on this issue and monitor company and market-level progress.			
Consolidated Edison, Inc.	Resolution 1.9 - Elect Director Michael W. Ranger	Against	89.2% of shareholders supported the resolution
LGIM will continue to engage with our investee companies, publicly advocate our position on this issue and monitor company and market-level progress.			
VINCI SA	Resolution 4 - Reelect Xavier Huillard as Director	Against	90.8% of shareholders supported the resolution
LGIM will continue to engage with our investee companies, publicly advocate our position on this issue and monitor company and market-level progress. (1) Voting information as at 31 March 2023			

⁽¹⁾ Voting information as at 31 March 2023

Signed:	Date: 21/11/2023
Chair of Trustees	

⁽²⁾ The output contains the manager's own answers in respect to the various sections, hence the reference to "we" and "our".