Triodos @ Investment Management

RED HAT INC

MEETING DATE	Thu, 06 Aug 2015 9:00 am	TYPE AGM ISSUE DATE	Tue, 21 Jul 2015
MEETING LOCATION	Red Hat's corporate headquarters, 100 Raleigh, North Carolina 27601	East Davie Street,	
CURRENT INDICES	S&P500		
SECTOR	Computer programming services		

	PROPOSALS	ADVICE
1.01	Elect Sohaib Abbasi	For
	Independent Non-Executive Director	
1.02	Elect Charlene T. Begley	For
	Independent Non-Executive Director	
1.03	Elect Narendra K. Gupta	Oppose
	Non-Executive Director. Not independent considererd independent as in October 2011, the	
	Company acquired Gluster, Inc. for approximately \$136.2 million in cash. Dr. Gupta was a director	
	of Gluster and is the Managing Director of Nexus Venture Partners, a venture capital fund that was a principal investor in Gluster. There is insufficient independent representation on the Board. Triodos	
	oppose this resolution.	
1.04	Elect William S. Kaiser	Oppose
	Non-Executive Director. Not considered independent as he has been on the board for more than	орросс
	nine years. There is insufficient independent representation on the Board. Triodos oppose this	
	resolution.	
1.05	Elect Donald H. Livingstone	For
	Independent Non-Executive Director	
1.06	Elect James M. Whitehurst	For
	President and Chief Executive Officer	
2	Appoint the auditors	Oppose
	PwC LLP proposed. Non-audit fees represented 25.99% of audit fees during the year under review	
	and 27% on a three-year aggregate basis. This level of non-audit fees raise concerns about the independence of the statutory auditors. The current auditor has been in place for more than	
	ten years. There are concerns that failure to regularly rotate the audit firm can compromise the	
	independence of the auditor. Triodos oppose this resolution.	
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3 Advisory vote on executive compensation

Oppose

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For fiscal 2015, the final payout for each NEO based on the aggregate achievement of corporate financial performance goals was 186% of target. In particular, adjusted Operating Cash Flow result was above target range. In addition, based on the individual goals, achievement was 168%. However, the achievement of individual performance goals was determined by the Compensation Committee's discretion. There are concerns that the vesting scale of PSUs is insufficiently broad to ensure superior awards reflect superior performance as executive may receive 100% payout for median performance. RSAs are subject to achievement of a revenue threshold and vest 25% one year from the grant date, and the remainder vest ratably on a quarterly basis over the subsequent three years.

The Company has a compensation 'claw back' policy and 'double trigger' change in control agreements.

The compensation rating is: BDA.

Based on the excessive awards available and the fact that RSAs vest 25% one year from the grant date, and the remainder vest ratably on a quarterly basis, Triodos opposes this resolution.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION FOR RESOLUTIONS

Proposal 3 - Advisory vote on executive compensation

Disclosure: B- In fiscal 2015, annual cash incentives were based on the Company's achievement of financial goals and on the achievement of NEOs individual performance goals. Performance measures consisted of: total revenue (target range: \$1,715 – \$1,805), non-GAAP cash flow from operations (target range: \$590 – \$635), and non-GAAP operating margin (target range: 22.7% – 24.5%). In addition, individual performance goals focused on qualitative strategic and operational considerations. The Company awarded long term incentives in the form of Operating Performance Share Units (PSUs), Stock Performance Share Units (PSUs) and Restricted Stock Awards (RSAs). Operating PSUs were based on the Company's financial performance (revenue growth and operating income growth) relative to members of the applicable compensation peer group over a three-year performance period. Stock performance share unit awards are earned only if the Company's stock price achieves an average TSR of \$80.18 for a 90-calendar day period within the first three years of the award's term.

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Contract: A- The Company has a compensation 'claw back' policy and 'double trigger' change in control agreements.

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