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Dear TPI Composites, Inc. Stockholder:

I am pleased to invite you to attend the 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "Annual Meeting") of TPI Composites, Inc. ("TPI Composites") to be held on Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. local time at The Westin Kierland Resort & Spa, 6902 East Greenway Parkway, Scottsdale, Arizona 85254.

Details regarding the meeting and the business to be conducted are more fully described in the accompanying Notice of 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and Proxy Statement.

Thank you for your ongoing support of and continued interest in TPI Composites. We look forward to seeing you at our Annual Meeting.

Sincerely,

Steven C. Lockard Chief Executive Officer

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#### YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT

On or about April 7, 2017, we expect to mail to our stockholders a Notice of 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "Notice"), together with our proxy statement for our 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "Proxy Statement") and our 2016 Annual Report to Shareholders (the "2016 Annual Report"). The Notice provides instructions on how to vote online, by telephone, or by proxy card. This Proxy Statement and our 2016 Annual Report can be accessed directly at the Internet address <a href="https://www.proxyvote.com">www.proxyvote.com</a> using the control number located on your proxy card.

In order to ensure your representation at the meeting, whether or not you plan to attend the meeting, please vote your shares as promptly as possible. Your participation will help to ensure the presence of a quorum at the meeting and save TPI Composites the extra expense associated with additional solicitation. If you hold your shares through a broker, your broker is not permitted to vote on your behalf in the election of directors unless you provide specific instructions to the broker by completing and returning any voting instruction form that the broker provides (or following any instructions that allow you to vote your broker-held shares via telephone or the Internet). For your vote to be counted, you will need to communicate your voting decision before the date of the Annual Meeting. Voting your shares in advance will not prevent you from attending the Annual Meeting, revoking your earlier submitted proxy or voting your stock in person.



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#### NOTICE OF 2017 ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

Notice is hereby given that TPI Composites, Inc. will hold its 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "Annual Meeting") on Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. local time at The Westin Kierland Resort & Spa, 6902 East Greenway Parkway, Scottsdale, Arizona 85254 for the following purposes:

- To elect three Class I directors, Steven C. Lockard, Stephen B. Bransfield, and Philip J. Deutch to hold office until the 2020 annual meeting of stockholders or until their successors are duly elected and qualified, subject to their earlier resignation or removal;
- To ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017; and
- To transact any other business that properly comes before the Annual Meeting (including adjournments, continuations and postponements thereof).

On or about April 7, 2017, we expect to mail to our stockholders a Notice of 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "Notice"), together with our proxy statement for our 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "Proxy Statement") and our 2016 Annual Report to Shareholders (the "2016 Annual Report"). The Notice provides instructions on how to vote online, by telephone, or by proxy card. This Proxy Statement and our 2016 Annual Report can be accessed directly at the Internet address <a href="https://www.proxyvote.com">www.proxyvote.com</a> using the control number located on your proxy card.

Only stockholders of record at the close of business on March 21, 2017 (the "Record Date") are entitled to notice of and to vote at the Annual Meeting as set forth in the Proxy Statement. If you plan to attend the Annual Meeting in person, you should be prepared to present photo identification such as a valid driver's license and verification of stock ownership for admittance. You are entitled to attend the Annual Meeting only if you were a stockholder as of the close of business on March 21, 2017 or hold a valid proxy card for the Annual Meeting. If you are a stockholder of record, your ownership as of the Record Date will be verified prior to admittance into the meeting. If you are not a stockholder of record but hold shares through a broker, trustee or nominee, you must provide proof of beneficial ownership as of the Record Date, such as an account statement or similar evidence of ownership. Please allow ample time for the admittance process.

If you have any questions regarding this information or the proxy materials, please contact our investor relations department via the methods listed at <a href="https://www.tpicomposites.com/English/investors/default.aspx">www.tpicomposites.com/English/investors/default.aspx</a>.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

Timen C Porkard

Steven C. Lockard Chief Executive Officer

Scottsdale, Arizona April 7, 2017

#### TPI COMPOSITES, INC.

# 2017 ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS PROXY STATEMENT

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#### PROXY STATEMENT

#### FOR THE 2017 ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS TO BE HELD MAY 16, 2017

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

Our Board of Directors (the "Board") solicits your proxy on our behalf for the 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "Annual Meeting") and at any adjournment, continuation or postponement of the Annual Meeting for the purposes set forth in this proxy statement for our 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "Proxy Statement") and the accompanying Notice of 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. The Annual Meeting will be held at 1:00 p.m. local time on Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at The Westin Kierland Resort & Spa, 6902 East Greenway Parkway, Scottsdale, Arizona 85254. On or about April 7, 2017, we mailed our stockholders a Notice of 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders together with our Proxy Statement and our 2016 Annual Report.

In this Proxy Statement, the terms "TPI Composites," "the Company," "we," "us," and "our" refer to TPI Composites, Inc. and its subsidiaries. The mailing address of our principal executive offices is TPI Composites, Inc., 8501 N. Scottsdale Rd., Gainey Center II, Suite 100, Scottsdale, AZ 85253.

Record Date March 21, 2017

Quorum A majority of the shares of all issued and outstanding stock entitled to vote on the Record Date must be present in person or

We encourage you to vote this way as it is the most cost-effective method;

represented by proxy to constitute a quorum.

**Shares Outstanding** 33,736,863 shares of common stock outstanding as of March 21, 2017.

**Voting** There are four ways a stockholder of record can vote:

(1) by Internet at <u>www.voteproxy.com</u> 24 hours a day, seven days a week, until 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on May 15, 2017 (have your proxy card in hand when you visit the website);

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(2) by toll-free telephone at 1-800-690-6903, until 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on May 15, 2017 (have your proxy card in

hand when you call);

(3) by completing and mailing your proxy card; or(4) by written ballot at the Annual Meeting.

To be counted, proxies submitted by telephone or Internet must be received by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on May 15, 2017. Proxies submitted by U.S. mail must be received before the start of the Annual Meeting.

If you hold your shares through a bank or broker, please follow their instructions.

#### **Revoking Your Proxy**

Stockholders of record may revoke their proxies by attending the Annual Meeting and voting in person, by filing an instrument in writing revoking the proxy or by filing another duly executed proxy bearing a later date with our Secretary before the vote is counted or by voting again using the telephone or Internet before the cutoff time (your latest telephone or Internet proxy is the one that will be counted). If you hold shares through a bank or broker, you may revoke any prior voting instructions by contacting that firm.

# Votes Required to Adopt Proposals

Each share of our common stock outstanding on the Record Date is entitled to one vote on any proposal presented at the Annual Meeting:

For Proposal One, the election of directors, the three nominees receiving the greatest number of votes will be elected as directors.

For Proposal Two, a majority of the votes properly cast is required to ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017.

### Effect of Abstentions and Broker Non-Votes

Votes withheld from any nominee, abstentions and "broker nonvotes" (*i.e.*, where a broker has not received voting instructions from the beneficial owner and for which the broker does not have discretionary power to vote on a particular matter) are counted as present for purposes of determining the presence of a quorum. Shares voting "withheld" have no effect on the election of directors. Abstentions have no effect on the ratification of the appointment of KPMG LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017.

Under the rules that govern brokers holding shares for their customers, brokers who do not receive voting instructions from their customers have the discretion to vote uninstructed shares on routine matters, but do not have discretion to vote such uninstructed shares on non-routine matters. Only Proposal Two, the ratification of the appointment of KPMG LLP, is considered a routine matter where brokers are permitted to vote shares held by them without instruction. If your shares are held through a broker, those shares will not be voted in the election of directors unless you affirmatively provide the broker instructions on how to vote. Proposal One is not considered a routine matter and brokers are not permitted to vote shares held by them and broker nonvotes will have no effect.

#### **Voting Instructions**

If you complete and submit your proxy voting instructions, the persons named as proxies will follow your instructions. If you submit proxy voting instructions but do not direct how your shares should be voted on each item, the persons named as proxies will vote "FOR" the election of the nominees for director and "FOR" the ratification of the appointment of KPMG LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm. The persons named as proxies will vote on any other matters properly presented at the Annual Meeting in accordance with their best judgment, although we have not received timely notice of any other matters that may be properly presented for voting at the Annual Meeting.

#### **Voting Results**

We will announce preliminary results at the Annual Meeting. We will report final results by filing a Form 8-K within four business days after the Annual Meeting. If final results are not available at that time, we will provide preliminary voting results in the Form 8-K and will provide the final results in an amendment to the Form 8-K as soon as they become available.

#### Additional Solicitation/Costs

We are paying for the distribution of the proxy materials and solicitation of the proxies. As part of this process, we reimburse brokerage houses and other custodians, nominees and fiduciaries for their reasonable out-of-pocket expenses for forwarding proxy and solicitation materials to our stockholders. Proxy solicitation expenses that we will pay include those for preparation, mailing, returning and tabulating the Notice and proxies. Our directors, officers and employees may also solicit proxies on our behalf in person, by telephone, email or facsimile, but they do not receive additional compensation for providing those services.

#### **Emerging Growth Company**

As a company with less than \$1.0 billion in revenue during our last fiscal year, we qualify as an "emerging growth company" as defined in the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act of 2012 (the "JOBS Act"). An emerging growth company may take advantage of specified reduced reporting requirements that are otherwise applicable generally to public companies. These provisions include:

- (1) an exemption from compliance with the auditor attestation requirement on the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting;
- (2) an exemption from compliance with any requirement that the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board may adopt regarding mandatory audit firm rotation or a supplement to the auditor's report providing additional information about the audit and the financial statements;
- (3) reduced disclosure about our executive compensation arrangements; and
- (4) exemptions from the requirements to obtain a non-binding advisory vote on executive compensation or a stockholder approval of any golden parachute arrangements.

We will remain an emerging growth company until the earliest to occur of: (i) the last day of the fiscal year in which we have more than \$1.0 billion in annual revenue; (ii) the end of the fiscal year in which the market value of our common stock that is held by non-affiliates exceeds \$700 million as of the end of the second quarter of that fiscal year; (iii) the date on which we have issued more than \$1.0 billion in non-convertible debt securities during the previous three years; and (iv) the last day of the fiscal year following the fifth anniversary of our initial public offering. We may choose to take advantage of some, but not all, of the available benefits under the JOBS Act. We have chosen to irrevocably "opt out" of the exemption for the delayed compliance with new or revised accounting standards, but we intend to take advantage of certain of the other exemptions discussed above. Accordingly, the information contained herein may be different than the information you receive from other public companies in which you hold stock.

#### PROPOSAL ONE:

#### **ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

#### **Number of Directors; Board Structure**

Our Board is divided into three staggered classes of directors. One class is elected each year at the annual meeting of stockholders for a term of three years. The term of the Class I directors expires at the Annual Meeting. The term of the Class II directors expires at the 2018 annual meeting and the term of the Class III directors expires at the 2019 annual meeting. After the initial terms expire, directors are expected to be elected to hold office for a three-year term or until the election and qualification of their successors in office.

#### **Nominees**

Our Board has nominated Steven C. Lockard, Stephen B. Bransfield and Philip J. Deutch for election as Class I directors to hold office until the 2020 annual meeting of stockholders or until their successors are duly elected and qualified, subject to their earlier resignation or removal. Each of the nominees is a current member of our Board and has consented to serve if elected.

Unless you direct otherwise through your proxy voting instructions, the persons named as proxies will vote all proxies received "FOR" the election of each nominee. If any nominee is unable or unwilling to serve at the time of the Annual Meeting, the persons named as proxies may vote for a substitute nominee chosen by the present Board. In the alternative, the proxies may vote only for the remaining nominees, leaving a vacancy on the Board. The Board may fill such vacancy at a later date or reduce the size of the Board. We have no reason to believe that any of the nominees will be unwilling or unable to serve if elected as a director.

#### Recommendation of the Board

#### THE BOARD RECOMMENDS THAT YOU VOTE "FOR" THE ELECTION OF EACH OF THE NOMINEES.

The biographies of each of the nominees and continuing directors below contain information regarding each such person's service as a director, business experience, director positions held currently or at any time during the last five years and the experiences, qualifications, attributes or skills that caused our Board to determine that the person should serve as a director of the company. In addition to the information presented below regarding each nominee's and continuing director's specific experience, qualifications, attributes and skills that led the Board to the conclusion that he or she should serve as a director, we also believe that each of our directors has a reputation for integrity, honesty and adherence to high ethical standards. Each of our directors has demonstrated business acumen and an ability to exercise sound judgment, as well as a commitment of service to our company and our Board. Finally, we value our directors' experience in relevant areas of business management and on other boards of directors and board committees.

Our corporate governance guidelines also dictate that a majority of the Board be comprised of independent directors whom the Board has determined have no material relationship with the company and who are otherwise "independent" directors under the published listing requirements of the NASDAQ Global Market ("NASDAQ").

#### **Directors**

The following table sets forth information regarding our directors, including their ages, as of February 28, 2017:

<u>Name</u>	Age	Position
Steven C. Lockard	55	Chief Executive Officer, President and Director
Paul G. Giovacchini (2)	59	Chairman of the Board
Stephen B. Bransfield (1)(3)	72	Director
Michael L. DeRosa (2)	45	Director
Philip J. Deutch (2)(3)	52	Director
Jack A. Henry (1)(2)	73	Director
James A. Hughes (1)	54	Director
Daniel G. Weiss (3)	49	Director

- (1) Member of our audit committee.
- (2) Member of our compensation committee.
- (3) Member of our nominating and corporate governance committee.

#### Information Concerning Nominees for Election for a Three-Year Term Ending at the 2020 Annual Meeting

Steven C. Lockard. Mr. Lockard became our President and Chief Executive Officer in 2004 and has served as a member of our board of directors since 2004. Prior to joining us in 1999, Mr. Lockard was Vice President of Satloc, Inc., a supplier of precision GPS equipment, from 1997 to 1999. Prior to that, Mr. Lockard was Vice President of marketing and business development and a founding officer of ADFlex Solutions, Inc., a NASDAQ-listed international manufacturer of interconnect products for the electronics industry, from 1993 to 1997. Prior to that, Mr. Lockard held several marketing and management positions including Business Unit Manager, Corporate Market Development Manager and Marketing/Applications Engineer at Rogers Corporation from 1982 to 1993. Mr. Lockard serves on the board of and is co-chair of the policy committee for the American Wind Energy Association and also serves on the board of Fluidic Energy. Mr. Lockard holds a B.S. in Electrical Engineering from Arizona State University.

We believe that Mr. Lockard is qualified to serve as a member of our board of directors based on his deep knowledge of our company gained from his positions as our President and Chief Executive Officer, as well as his experience in the wind energy industry and in high-growth global manufacturing companies.

Stephen B. Bransfield. Mr. Bransfield has served as a member of our board of directors since 2010. From 1993 to 2005, Mr. Bransfield was Vice President—GE Energy Global Supply Chain at General Electric. Prior to that, from 1988 to 1993, Mr. Bransfield held various General Manager positions at General Electric, where he began working in 1967. Mr. Bransfield currently serves on the board of directors of Package One Industries. Mr. Bransfield holds a B.S. in Operations from Boston College and an M.B.A. from Suffolk University.

We believe that Mr. Bransfield is qualified to serve as a member of our board of directors because of his substantial experience in the wind energy industry, global supply chain, quality and operations leadership.

Philip J. Deutch. Mr. Deutch has served as a member of our board of directors since 2007. Since 2005, Mr. Deutch has been the Managing Partner of NGP Energy Technology Partners, L.P. (NGP ETP), a private equity fund that invests in companies that provide products and services to the oil and gas, power, environmental, energy efficiency and alternative energy sectors. Since 2016, Mr. Deutch has been a Partner at Social Capital, a partnership of philanthropists, technologists and capitalists utilizing venture capital as a force to create value and change on a global scale. From 1997-2005, Mr. Deutch served as a Managing Director and Member of the Executive Committee of Perseus, LLC, a private equity fund management firm. Prior to joining Perseus, Mr. Deutch was an attorney at Williams & Connolly LLP from 1991 to 1997 and worked in the Mergers and

Acquisitions Department of Morgan Stanley & Co. from 1986 to 1988. Mr. Deutch currently serves on the board of directors of Catapult Energy Services, LLC, Oilfield Water Logistics, LLC, Community Energy Solar, LLC, Waste Resource Management, Inc., and Data Coral and previously served on the board of directors of American Wind Capital Company, Satcon Technology Corporation, Evergreen Solar and Beacon Power. Mr. Deutch holds a B.A. in Economics from Amherst College where he was elected a member of Phi Beta Kappa and a J.D. with distinction from Stanford Law School. Mr. Deutch is on the Board of the Folger Shakespeare Library and iMentor (Bay Area).

We believe that Mr. Deutch is qualified to serve as a member of our board of directors because of his substantial experience investing in energy companies in the areas of renewable and alternative energy, energy efficiency, power and oil and gas and serving on the board of directors of both public and private companies.

#### Information Concerning Directors Continuing in Office Until the 2018 Annual Meeting

**Paul G. Giovacchini.** Mr. Giovacchini has served as Chairman of our board of directors since 2006. Mr. Giovacchini is currently an independent consulting advisor to Landmark Partners, Inc. Prior to 2014, he served as a Principal of Landmark Partners, Inc. since 2005. Mr. Giovacchini has been investing in privately held companies on behalf of institutional limited partnerships since 1987. Mr. Giovacchini holds an A.B. in Economics from Stanford University and an M.B.A. from Harvard University.

We believe that Mr. Giovacchini is qualified to serve as a member of our board of directors because of his experience investing in growth companies and serving on their boards of directors, and his experience with debt securities. His long history with us serves as an asset to us as we transition from a private company to a public company.

Michael L. DeRosa. Mr. DeRosa has served as a member of our board of directors since 2009. Since 2006, Mr. DeRosa has been Managing Director at Element Partners, a private equity firm focused on energy and industrial technology. Prior to that, Mr. DeRosa was a Partner at Cordova Ventures from 2004 to 2006. From 2000 to 2004, Mr. DeRosa served as a Principal of EnerTech Capital, a venture capital firm that invests in energy technology. Mr. DeRosa currently serves on the board of directors of Agility Fuel Systems, AMP Electrical Distribution Services, Inc., Detechtion Technologies, Ecore International and TAS Energy. Mr. DeRosa previously served as a director of Advantage IQ, Arbinet-thexchange, Inc., Aspex Corporation, Axonn, EcoSMART, Energex and International Fiber. Mr. DeRosa holds a B.S. in Electrical Engineering from Georgia Tech and an M.B.A. from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania.

We believe that Mr. DeRosa is qualified to serve as a member of our board of directors because of his substantial experience in the clean technology industry and his long history of investing in renewable and alternate energy, energy technology, the industrial internet, materials and chemicals, and recycling technology.

#### Information Concerning Directors Continuing in Office Until the 2019 Annual Meeting

Jack A. Henry. Mr. Henry has served as a member of our board of directors since 2008. Since 2000, Mr. Henry has served as the Managing Director of Sierra Blanca Ventures, LLC, a private investment and advisory firm. From 1966 to 2000, Mr. Henry worked as a certified public accountant for Arthur Andersen, a national accounting firm, retiring in 2000 as the Managing Partner of the Phoenix, Arizona office. Mr. Henry currently serves on the board of directors and chairs the audit committee of Grand Canyon Education, Inc. and the boards of directors and audit committees of several private companies and is President of the Arizona Chapter of the National Association of Corporate Directors. Mr. Henry received a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration and an M.B.A. from the University of Michigan.

We believe that Mr. Henry is qualified to serve as a member of our board of directors because of his substantial experience in serving as a director of numerous private and public companies, as well as his prior employment as an accountant, make him well suited to assist us as a director and in our transition from a private company to a public company.

James A. Hughes. Mr. Hughes has served on our board of directors since October 2015. Effective June 30, 2016, Mr. Hughes stepped down from his role as the Chief Executive Officer of First Solar, Inc., and served as a member of First Solar, Inc.'s board of directors from May 2012 until September 2016. Prior to serving as the Chief Executive Officer of First Solar, Inc., he served as the company's Chief Commercial Officer from March 2012 to May 2012. Prior to joining First Solar, Inc., Mr. Hughes served as Chief Executive Officer and Director of AEI Services LLC from October 2007 until April 2011. From 2004 to 2007, Mr. Hughes engaged in principal investing with a privately-held company based in Houston, Texas that focused on micro-cap investing in North American distressed manufacturing assets. Prior to that, he served as President and Chief Operating Officer of Prisma Energy International from 2002 to 2004. Since November 2016, Mr. Hughes has served as a director of Alcoa Corporation, a New York Stock Exchange-listed producer of bauxite, alumina and aluminum products. Mr. Hughes also served as a Non-Executive Director from 2012 to 2016 of APR Energy plc, a London Stock Exchange-listed energy company participating in the global market for gas and diesel fired temporary power plants. Mr. Hughes is Chairman of the board of directors of the Los Angeles branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco. Mr. Hughes holds a J.D. from the University of Texas at Austin School of Law, a Certificate of Completion in international business law from Queen Mary's College, University of London and a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Southern Methodist University.

We believe that Mr. Hughes is qualified to serve as a member of our board of directors because of his many years of experience in various sections of the energy industry, including renewable energy, as well as his experience serving as the CEO and in other high level executive roles of publicly-traded energy companies.

Daniel G. Weiss. Mr. Weiss has served as a member of our board of directors since 2009. Mr. Weiss is a co-founder and Managing Partner of Angeleno Group, a Los Angeles-based private equity firm with a global platform focused on high growth investments in alternative energy and natural resource-related companies. Founded in 2001, Angeleno Group invests broadly across the energy and natural resource industry to support innovative, well managed, rapidly growing businesses. Mr. Weiss has been with the Angeleno Group since 2001. In addition to his firm management responsibilities, Mr. Weiss leads investments and serves on boards of multiple Angeleno Group private portfolio companies. Prior to joining Angeleno Group, Mr. Weiss was an attorney at O'Melveny & Myers from 1998-1999. Mr. Weiss currently and previously has served on boards or public commissions for a number of non-profit and government organizations including the World Resources Institute, the Stanford Law School Board of Visitors, the City of Los Angeles Redistricting Commission and the UCLA Institute on the Environment and Sustainability. Mr. Weiss holds a B.A. in History from the University of California, Berkeley, an M.A. in Latin American Studies from Stanford University and a J.D. from Stanford Law School.

We believe that Mr. Weiss is qualified to serve as a member of our board of directors because he has substantial experience as an investor and director for energy and energy related technology companies.

#### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Our Board, which is elected by our stockholders, is responsible for directing and overseeing our business and affairs. In carrying out its responsibilities, the Board selects and monitors our top management, provides oversight of our financial reporting processes and determines and implements our corporate governance policies. A copy of our corporate governance guidelines can be found on our website at <a href="https://www.tpicomposites.com/English/investors/Corporate-Governance-Documents/default.aspx">www.tpicomposites.com/English/investors/Corporate-Governance-Documents/default.aspx</a>.

Our Board and management are committed to good corporate governance to ensure that we are managed for the long-term benefit of our stockholders, and we have a variety of policies and procedures to promote such goals. To that end, during the past year, our management periodically reviewed our corporate governance policies and practices to ensure that they remain consistent with the requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (the "Sarbanes-Oxley Act"), SEC rules and the listing standards of NASDAQ.

Besides verifying the independence of the members of our Board and committees (which is discussed in the section titled "Independence of the Board of Directors" below), at the direction of our Board, we also:

- Periodically review and make necessary changes to the charters for our audit, compensation and nominating and corporate governance committees;
- Have established disclosure control policies and procedures in accordance with the requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and the rules and regulations of the SEC;
- · Have a procedure for receipt and treatment of anonymous and confidential complaints or concerns regarding audit or accounting matters in place; and
- Have a code of business conduct and ethics that applies to our officers, directors and employees.

In addition, we have adopted a set of corporate governance guidelines. The nominating and corporate governance committee is responsible for reviewing our corporate governance guidelines from time to time and reporting and making recommendations to the Board concerning corporate governance matters. Our corporate governance guidelines address such matters as:

- Director Independence—Independent directors must constitute at least a majority of our Board;
- · Monitoring Board Effectiveness—The Board, and each committee of the Board, must conduct an annual self-evaluation;
- · Review of Chief Executive Officer—The Compensation Committee will conduct reviews of the performance of our chief executive officer;
- Board Access to Independent Advisors—Our Board as a whole, and each of its committees separately, have authority to retain independent experts, advisors or professionals as each deems necessary or appropriate; and
- Board Committees—All members of the audit, compensation and nominating and corporate governance committees are independent in accordance with applicable SEC and NASDAQ criteria.

#### Meetings of the Board of Directors

Our Board held thirteen meetings in fiscal year 2016. Each director attended at least 75% of all meetings of the Board and the committees on which they served that were held during fiscal year 2016. Under our corporate governance guidelines, directors are expected to spend the time needed and meet as frequently as our Board deems necessary or appropriate to discharge their responsibilities. Directors are also expected to make efforts to attend our annual meeting of stockholders, all meetings of the Board and all meetings of the committees on which they serve.

#### **Code of Business Conduct and Ethics**

Our Board has adopted a code of business conduct and ethics that applies to all of our employees, officers and directors, including our Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, and other executive and senior financial officers. A copy of our code of business conduct and ethics is available on our website at <a href="https://www.tpicomposites.com/English/investors/Corporate-Governance/Governance-Documents/default.aspx">https://www.tpicomposites.com/English/investors/Corporate-Governance/Governance-Documents/default.aspx</a> and may also be obtained, without charge, by contacting our Secretary at TPI Composites, Inc., 8501 N. Scottsdale Rd., Gainey Center II, Suite 100, Scottsdale, AZ 85253. We intend to disclose any amendments to our code of business conduct and ethics, or waivers of its requirements, on our website or in filings under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), as required by the applicable rules and exchange requirements. During fiscal year 2016, no waivers were granted from any provision of the code of business conduct and ethics.

#### **Independence of the Board of Directors**

Our Board has undertaken a review of the independence of each director. Based on information provided by each director concerning his or her background, employment, and affiliations, our Board has determined that Messrs. Giovacchini, Bransfield, DeRosa, Deutch, Henry, Hughes and Weiss do not have a relationship that would interfere with the exercise of independent judgment in carrying out the responsibilities of a director and that each of these directors is "independent" as that term is defined under the applicable rules and regulations of the SEC, and the listing standards of NASDAQ. In making these determinations, our Board considered the current and prior relationships that each non-employee director has with our company and all other facts and circumstances our Board deemed relevant in determining their independence, including the beneficial ownership of our capital stock by each non-employee director, and the transactions involving them described in the section titled "Related Party Transactions."

#### Board's Role in Risk Oversight

Our Board's role in overseeing the management of our risks is conducted primarily through committees of our Board, as disclosed in the descriptions of each of the committees below and in the charters of each of the committees. Our full Board (or the appropriate board committee in the case of risks that are under the purview of a particular committee) discusses with management our major risk exposures, their potential impact on our company, and the steps we take to manage them. When a board committee is responsible for evaluating and overseeing the management of a particular risk or risks, the chairperson of the relevant committee reports on the discussion to the full Board during the committee reports portion of the next Board meeting. This enables the Board and its committees to coordinate the risk oversight role, particularly with respect to risk interrelationships.

#### **Risks Related to Compensation Policies and Practices**

As part of its oversight function, our Board, and our compensation committee in particular, along with our management team, considers potential risks when reviewing and approving various compensation plans, including executive compensation. Based on this review, our Board has concluded that such compensation plans, including executive compensation, do not encourage risk taking to a degree that is reasonably likely to have a materially adverse impact on us or our operations.

#### **Board Leadership Structure**

We believe that the structure of our Board and its committees provides strong overall management of our company. The positions of Chairperson of our Board and Chief Executive Officer roles are held by separate individuals. This structure enables each person to focus on different aspects of company leadership. Our Chief Executive Officer is responsible for setting the strategic direction of our company, the general management and operation of the business and the guidance and oversight of senior management. By contrast, the Chairperson of our Board monitors the content, quality and timeliness of information sent to our Board and is available for consultation with our Board regarding the oversight of our business affairs.

We believe this structure of a separate Chairperson of our Board and Chief Executive Officer, reinforces the independence of our Board as a whole and results in an effective balancing of responsibilities, experience and independent perspective that meets the current corporate governance needs and oversight responsibilities of our Board.

#### **Committees of the Board of Directors**

Our Board has established an audit committee, a compensation committee, and a nominating and corporate governance committee. The composition and responsibilities of each committee are described below. Members serve on these committees until their resignation or until otherwise determined by our Board. Each of the audit, compensation, and nominating and corporate governance committees operates pursuant to a separate written charter adopted by our Board that is available to stockholders on our website at <a href="https://www.tpicomposites.com/English/investors/Corporate-Governance/Governance-Documents/default.aspx">https://www.tpicomposites.com/English/investors/Corporate-Governance/Governance-Documents/default.aspx</a>.

#### **Audit Committee**

Our audit committee consists of Messrs. Henry, Hughes and Bransfield, with Mr. Henry serving as Chairman. Under NASDAQ listing standards and applicable SEC rules, we are required to have three members on the audit committee. Subject to phase-in rules, NASDAQ and Rule 10A-3 of the Exchange Act requires that the audit committee of a listed company be comprised solely of independent directors. The composition of our audit committee meets the requirements for independence under the listing standards of NASDAQ and SEC rules and regulations. Each member of our audit committee meets the financial literacy requirements under the listing standards of NASDAQ. Each of Mr. Henry and Mr. Hughes is an audit committee financial expert within the meaning of Item 407(d) of Regulation S-K under the 1933 Securities Act, as amended, (the "Securities Act"), Our audit committee, among other things:

- selects a qualified firm to serve as the independent registered public accounting firm to audit our consolidated financial statements;
- helps to ensure the independence and performance of the independent registered public accounting firm;
- discusses the scope and results of the audit with the independent registered public accounting firm, and reviews, with management and the independent registered public accounting firm, our interim and year-end results of operations;
- · develops procedures for employees to submit concerns anonymously about questionable accounting or audit matters;
- · reviews our policies on risk assessment and risk management;
- · reviews related party transactions;
- obtains and reviews a report by the independent registered public accounting firm at least annually, that describes our internal control procedures, any material issues with such procedures and any steps taken to deal with such issues; and
- approves (or, as permitted, pre-approves) all audit and all permissible non-audit services, other than *de minimis* non-audit services, to be performed by the independent registered public accounting firm.

Our audit committee operates under a written charter that satisfies the applicable rules of the SEC and the listing standards of NASDAQ. Our audit committee held ten meetings during fiscal year 2016.

#### **Compensation Committee**

Our compensation committee consists of Messrs. Henry, Giovacchini, DeRosa, and Deutch, with Mr. Giovacchini serving as Chairman. The composition of our compensation committee meets the requirements

for independence under the listing standards of NASDAQ and SEC rules and regulations. Each member of the compensation committee is also a non-employee director, as defined pursuant to Rule 16b-3 promulgated under the Exchange Act, and an outside director, as defined pursuant to Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code"). The purpose of our compensation committee is to discharge the responsibilities of our Board relating to the compensation of our executive officers. Our compensation committee, among other things:

- reviews, approves and determines, or makes recommendations to our Board regarding, the compensation of our executive officers and directors;
- administers our stock and equity incentive plans, including approval of all equity grants;
- reviews and approves and makes recommendations to our Board regarding incentive compensation and equity plans; and
- establishes and reviews general policies relating to compensation and benefits of our employees.

Our compensation committee operates under a written charter that satisfies the applicable rules of the SEC and the listing standards of NASDAQ.

Our compensation committee held seven meetings during fiscal year 2016.

#### **Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee**

Our nominating and corporate governance committee consists of Messrs. Bransfield, Deutch, and Weiss, with Mr. Deutch serving as Chairman. The composition of our nominating and corporate governance committee meets the requirements for independence under the listing standards of NASDAQ and SEC rules and regulations. Our nominating and corporate governance committee, among other things:

- · identifies, evaluates, selects, or makes recommendations to our Board regarding, nominees for election to our Board and its committees;
- evaluates the performance of our Board, both as a whole and on an individual basis;
- · considers and makes recommendations to our Board regarding the composition of our Board and its committees;
- reviews developments in corporate governance practices;
- evaluates the adequacy of our corporate governance practices and reporting; and
- · develops and makes recommendations to our Board regarding corporate governance guidelines and governance matters.

The nominating and corporate governance committee operates under a written charter that satisfies the applicable listing requirements and rules of NASDAQ. Our nominating and corporate governance committee did not meet formally as a separate committee during 2016, but our Board discussed and reviewed certain matters for which the nominating and corporate governance committee has been delegated responsibility and oversight.

#### **Identifying and Evaluating Director Nominees**

The Board has delegated to the nominating and corporate governance committee the responsibility of identifying suitable candidates for nomination to the Board (including candidates to fill any vacancies that may occur) and assessing their qualifications in light of the policies and principles in these corporate governance guidelines and the committee's charter. The nominating and corporate governance committee may gather information about the candidates through interviews, detailed questionnaires, comprehensive background checks or any other means that the nominating and corporate governance committee deems to be appropriate in the evaluation process. The nominating and corporate governance committee then meets as a group to discuss and evaluate the qualities and

skills of each candidate, both on an individual basis and taking into account the overall composition and needs of the Board. Based on the results of the evaluation process, the nominating and corporate governance committee recommends candidates for the Board's approval as director nominees for election to the Board.

#### **Minimum Qualifications**

Our nominating and corporate governance committee uses a variety of methods for identifying and evaluating director nominees and will consider all facts and circumstances that it deems appropriate or advisable. In its identification and evaluation of director candidates, our nominating and corporate governance committee will consider the current size and composition of our Board and the needs of our Board and the respective committees of our Board. Some of the qualifications that our nominating and corporate governance committee considers include, without limitation, issues of character, ethics, integrity, judgment, diversity of experience, independence, skills, education, expertise, business acumen, length of service, understanding of our business and industry, potential conflicts of interest and other commitments. Nominees must also have proven achievement and competence in their field, the ability to offer advice and guidance to our management team, the ability to make significant contributions to our success, and an understanding of the fiduciary responsibilities that are required of a director. Director candidates must have sufficient time available in the judgment of our nominating and corporate governance committee to perform all board of director and committee responsibilities. Members of our Board are expected to prepare for, attend, and participate in all board of director and applicable committee meetings. Other than the foregoing, there are no stated minimum criteria for director nominees, although our nominating and corporate governance committee may also consider such other factors as it may deem, from time to time, are in our and our stockholders' best interests.

Although our Board does not maintain a specific policy with respect to board diversity, our Board believes that our Board should be a diverse body, and our nominating and corporate governance committee considers a broad range of backgrounds and experiences. In making determinations regarding nominations of directors, our nominating and corporate governance committee may take into account the benefits of diverse viewpoints. Our nominating and corporate governance committee also considers these and other factors as it oversees the annual Board and committee evaluations. After completing its review and evaluation of director candidates, our nominating and corporate governance committee recommends to our full Board the director nominees for selection.

#### **Stockholder Recommendations**

Stockholders may submit recommendations for director candidates to the nominating and corporate governance committee by sending the individual's name and qualifications to our Secretary at TPI Composites, Inc., 8501 N. Scottsdale Rd., Gainey Center II, Suite 100, Scottsdale, AZ 85253, who will forward all recommendations to the nominating and corporate governance committee. The nominating and corporate governance committee will evaluate any candidates recommended by stockholders against the same criteria and pursuant to the same policies and procedures applicable to the evaluation of candidates proposed by directors or management.

#### **Stockholder Communications**

The Board provides to every stockholder the ability to communicate with the Board as a whole, the non-employee directors as a group, and with individual directors on the Board through an established process for stockholder communication. For a stockholder communication directed to the Board as a whole, stockholders and other interested parties may send such communication to our Chief Executive Officer at TPI Composites, Inc., 8501 N. Scottsdale Rd., Gainey Center II, Suite 100, Scottsdale, AZ 85253, Attn: Board of Directors, Attn: Chief Executive Officer.

For a stockholder communication directed to an individual director in his or her capacity as a member of the Board, stockholders and other interested parties may send such communication to the attention of the individual

director via U.S. Mail or Expedited Delivery Service to: TPI Composites, Inc., 8501 N. Scottsdale Rd., Gainey Center II, Suite 100, Scottsdale, AZ 85253, Attn: [Name of Individual Director].

The Company shall review all incoming communications and forward such communications to the appropriate member(s) of the Board as well as the Chairperson of the Board, in his or her capacity as a representative of the Board. The Chief Executive Officer will generally not forward communications that are unrelated to the duties and responsibilities of the Board, including communications that the Chief Executive Officer determines to be primarily commercial in nature, product complaints or inquires, and materials that are patently offensive or otherwise inappropriate.

#### **PROPOSAL TWO:**

#### RATIFICATION OF THE APPOINTMENT OF OUR INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We have appointed KPMG LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm to perform the audit of our consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017, and we are asking you and other stockholders to ratify this appointment. During our fiscal year ended December 31, 2016, KPMG LLP served as our independent registered public accounting firm.

The audit committee annually reviews the independent registered public accounting firm's independence, including reviewing all relationships between the independent registered public accounting firm and us and any disclosed relationships or services that may impact the objectivity and independence of the independent registered public accounting firm, and the independent registered public accounting firm's performance. As a matter of good corporate governance, the Board is submitting the appointment of KPMG LLP to stockholders for ratification. A majority of the votes properly cast is required to ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP. In the event that a majority of the votes properly cast do not ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP, we will review our future appointment of KPMG LLP.

We expect that a representative of KPMG LLP will attend the Annual Meeting and the representative will have an opportunity to make a statement if he or she so chooses. The representative will also be available to respond to appropriate questions from stockholders.

#### Policy on Audit Committee Pre-Approval of Audit and Permissible Non-Audit Services of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

In connection with our initial public offering (our "Public Offering"), we adopted a policy under which the audit committee must pre-approve all audit and permissible non-audit services to be provided by the independent registered public accounting firm. As part of its review, the audit committee also considers whether the categories of pre-approved services are consistent with the rules on accountant independence of the SEC and the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board. The audit committee pre-approved all services performed since the pre-approval policy was adopted. This policy is set forth in our audit committee's charter, which is available at <a href="https://www.tpicomposites.com/English/investors/Corporate-Governance/Governance-Documents/default.aspx">www.tpicomposites.com/English/investors/Corporate-Governance/Governance-Documents/default.aspx</a>.

#### **Audit Fees**

The following table sets forth the fees billed or expected to be billed by KPMG LLP for audit, audit-related, tax and all other services rendered for fiscal year 2015 and 2016:

Fee Category	2015	2016
Audit Fees	\$ 1,283,000	\$ 1,533,000
Audit-Related Fees		400,000
Tax Fees	423,000	652,000
All Other Fees		
Total Fees	\$ 1,706,000	\$ 2,585,000

Audit Fees. Consist of professional services rendered in connection with the audit of our annual consolidated financial statements, including audited financial statements presented in our 2016 Annual Report and services that are normally provided by the independent registered public accountants in connection with statutory and regulatory filings or engagements for those fiscal years. Fees for fiscal year 2016 also consisted of professional services rendered in connection with our Registration Statement on Form S-1 related to the Public Offering of our common stock completed in July 2016.

Audit-Related Fees. Consist of aggregate fees for accounting consultations and other services that were reasonably related to the performance of audits or reviews of our consolidated financial statements and were not reported above under "Audit Fees." These services include accounting consultations concerning financial accounting and reporting standards.

Tax Fees. Consist of aggregate fees for tax compliance, tax advice and tax planning services including the review and preparation of our federal and state income tax returns.

All Other Fees. Consist of aggregate fees billed for products and services provided by the independent registered public accounting firm other than those disclosed above, which include subscription fees paid for access to online accounting research software applications and data.

#### Recommendation of the Board

THE BOARD RECOMMENDS THAT YOU VOTE "FOR" RATIFICATION OF THE APPOINTMENT OF KPMG LLP AS OUR INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2017.

#### Report of the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors

The information contained in this audit committee report shall not be deemed to be (i) "soliciting material," (ii) "filed" with the SEC, (iii) subject to Regulations 14A or 14C of the Exchange Act, or (iv) subject to the liabilities of Section 18 of the Exchange Act. No portion of this audit committee report shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act, or the Exchange Act, through any general statement incorporating by reference in its entirety the proxy statement in which this report appears, except to the extent that TPI Composites specifically incorporates this report or a portion of it by reference. In addition, this report shall not be deemed filed under either the Securities Act or the Exchange Act.

This report is submitted by the audit committee of the Board. The audit committee consists of the three directors whose names appear below. None of the members of the audit committee is an officer or employee of TPI Composites, and the Board has determined that each of Messrs. Henry, Hughes and Bransfield are "independent" for audit committee purposes as that term is defined under Rule 10A-3 of the Exchange Act and the applicable NASDAQ rules. Each member of the audit committee meets the requirements for financial literacy under the applicable rules and regulations of the SEC and NASDAQ.

The audit committee's general role is to assist the Board in monitoring our financial reporting process and related matters. Its specific responsibilities are set forth in its charter.

The audit committee has reviewed the company's consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2016 and met with management, as well as with representatives of KPMG LLP, the company's independent registered public accounting firm, to discuss the consolidated financial statements. The Audit Committee discussed with the independent registered public accounting firm the firm's judgments as to the acceptability and quality of the company's accounting principles and other matters that are required to be discussed with the Audit Committee under the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (the "PCAOB"), Auditing Standard 1301, Communications with Audit Committees (PCAOB General Auditing Standards 1300, Auditor Communications), as adopted by the PCAOB on March 31, 2015.

In addition, the audit committee received the written disclosures and the letter from KPMG LLP required by applicable requirements of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board regarding the independent accountant's communications with the audit committee concerning independence, and discussed with members of KPMG LLP its independence.

Based on these discussions, the financial statement review and other matters it deemed relevant, the audit committee recommended to the Board that the company's audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2016 be included in its 2016 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

**Audit Committee** 

Jack A. Henry Stephen B. Bransfield James A. Hughes

#### **EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**

#### Overview

Our compensation programs are designed to:

- attract, motivate and retain employees at the executive level who contribute to our long-term success;
- provide executive compensation packages that are competitive, motivate our executives, reward the achievement of our business objectives and
  effectively align their interests with those of our stockholders; and
- increase the incentive to achieve key strategic performance measures by linking incentive award opportunities to the achievement of performance objectives and by providing a portion of total compensation for executive officers in the form of ownership in the company.

Our compensation committee is primarily responsible for developing and implementing our compensation policies and establishing and approving the compensation for all of our executive officers. The compensation committee oversees our compensation and benefit plans and policies, administers our equity incentive plans and reviews and approves annually all compensation decisions relating to all of executive officers, including our Chief Executive Officer. The compensation committee considers recommendations from our Chief Executive Officer regarding the compensation of our Chief Financial Officer, Chief Operating Officer and other executive officers (other than himself). Our compensation committee has the authority under its charter to delegate to a subcommittee the authority to approve grants of equity awards to certain individuals, subject to certain limitations including the amount of awards that can be granted pursuant to such delegated authority. To date, our compensation committee has only delegated such authority to a subcommittee consisting of two non-employee directors who are independent and qualify as "non-employee directors" under Section 16b-3(b)(3) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, as well as "outside directors" for purposes of Section 162(m) of the Code. Our compensation committee also has the authority under its charter to engage the services of a consulting firm or other outside advisor to assist it in designing our compensation programs and in making compensation decisions. In 2016, the compensation committee retained Pearl Meyer & Partners, LLC as its independent compensation consultant. We do not believe the retention of, and the work performed by, Pearl Meyer & Partners, LLC creates any conflict of interest.

#### **Executive Compensation Components**

Our executive compensation consists of base salary, cash incentive bonuses, long-term incentive compensation, and broad-based benefits programs. We have not adopted any formal guidelines for allocating total compensation between long-term and short-term compensation, cash compensation and non-cash compensation, or among different forms of non-cash compensation. The compensation committee considers a number of factors in setting compensation for our executive officers, including Company performance, as well as the executive's performance, experience, responsibilities and the compensation of executive officers in similar positions at comparable companies.

#### **Summary Compensation Table**

The following table presents information regarding the compensation awarded to, earned by, and paid to each individual who served as our principal executive officer and the two most highly-compensated executive officers (other than the principal executive officer) as of the last day of the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016 (such individuals collectively referred to as our "Named Executive Officers"). The following table also presents information regarding the compensation awarded to, earned by, and paid to each of our Named Executive Officers during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015.

Name and Principal Position	Year	Salary (\$) <sup>(1)</sup>	Bonus (\$) (2)	Stock Awards (\$) (3)	Option Awards (\$) (3)	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation (\$) (4)	All Other Compensation (\$) (5)	Total (\$)
Steven C. Lockard	2016	430,327	230,000	_	_	500,000	3,428	1,163,755
Chief Executive Officer	2015	352,875	_	3,005,952	3,793,351	250,000	3,101	7,405,279
Wayne G. Monie	2016	306,971	170,000	_	_	155,000	6,453	638,424
Chief Manufacturing Technology Officer	2015	296,563	_	1,115,490	1,408,912	106,000	6,446	2,933,411
Mark R. McFeely (6)	2016	335,577	_	_	_	210,000	89,529	635,106

Chief Operating Officer

- (1) The base salary for Mr. Lockard at the beginning of fiscal year 2016 was \$355,500 and was adjusted to \$400,000 effective April 1, 2016, in connection with the Company's annual merit increase. Mr. Lockard's base salary was later increased to \$500,000 effective August 1, 2016 in conjunction with the Company's successful Public Offering. The base salary for Mr. Monie at the beginning of fiscal year 2016 was \$298,750 and was adjusted to \$310,000 effective April 1, 2016 in connection with the Company's annual merit increase. The base salary for Mr. McFeely at the beginning of fiscal year 2016 was \$325,000 and was adjusted to \$350,000 effective August 1, 2016 in conjunction with the Company's successful Public Offering.
- (2) In connection with the Company's successful Public Offering in July 2016, Messrs. Lockard and Monie were awarded special bonus payments of \$230,000 and \$170,000, respectively.
- Officers during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015, calculated in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718. Such grant date fair values do not take into account any estimated forfeitures related to service vesting conditions. The assumptions used in calculating the grant date fair values of the stock options and restricted stock units, as applicable, reported in this column are set forth in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in our Annual Report on Form 10-K as filed with the SEC on March 17, 2017. The amounts reported in this column reflect the accounting cost for these stock options and restricted stock units and do not correspond to the actual economic value that may be received by the Named Executive Officers upon exercise of the stock options or the vesting and/or settlement of the restricted stock units. No stock options or restricted stock units awards were granted to the Named Executive Officers during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016.
- (4) Amounts for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015 represent the actual bonus compensation paid for such year pursuant to the Company's and each Named Executive Officer's achievement of certain performance metrics. For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016, Messrs. Lockard, Monie and McFeely were each awarded bonus compensation equal to approximately 100% of their applicable target bonuses. For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015, Messrs. Lockard and Monie were each awarded bonus compensation equal to approximately 70% of their applicable target bonuses. Mr. McFeely joined the Company in 2015 and did not receive any bonus compensation in 2015.

- (5) Represents for Mr. Lockard, company matching contributions under our 401(k) plan equal to \$2,600 and group term life insurance equal to \$828 in 2016 and company matching contributions under our 401(k) plan equal to \$2,350 and group term life insurance equal to \$751 in 2015. Represents for Mr. Monie, company matching contributions under our 401(k) plan equal to \$5,915 and group term life insurance equal to \$538 in 2016 and company matching contributions under our 401(k) plan equal to \$5,886 and group term life insurance equal to \$560 in 2015. Represents for Mr. McFeely, reimbursed costs related to his relocation to the Company's Scottsdale, Arizona corporate office equal to \$61,204, a tax gross up equal to \$27,497 and group term life insurance equal to \$828 in 2016.
- (6) Mr. McFeely was not a Named Executive Officer for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015.

#### **Base Salaries**

For the year ended December 31, 2016, the annual base salaries for each of Messrs. Lockard, Monie and McFeely prior to April 1, 2016 were \$355,500, \$298,750 and \$325,000, respectively. Effective April 1, 2016, the annual base salaries for each of Messrs. Lockard and Monie were increased to \$400,000 and \$310,000, respectively. In addition, effective August 1, 2016, the annual base salaries for each of Messrs. Lockard and McFeely were increased to \$500,000 and \$350,000, respectively.

#### **Bonuses**

During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016, we maintained a bonus plan, pursuant to which each of our Named Executive Officers was eligible to earn an annual bonus based on the Company's and the Named Executive Officer's achievement of certain performance goals. For fiscal 2016, the target annual bonuses for Messrs. Lockard, Monie and McFeely were equal to 100%, 50% and 60%, respectively, of the applicable Named Executive Officer's base salary. Based on the Company's achievement of the relevant performance goals under the bonus plan, as well as each Named Executive Officer's achievement of the relevant personal performance goals under the bonus plan, our compensation committee determined that the bonuses would be paid at 100% of target for each Named Executive Officer.

In connection with the Company's successful Public Offering in July 2016, Messrs. Lockard and Monie were also awarded special bonus payments of \$230,000 and \$170,000, respectively.

#### **Equity Compensation**

We did not grant any of our Named Executive Officers any equity awards during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016.

#### Health and Welfare Benefits

Our Named Executive Officers are eligible to participate in all of our employee benefit plans, including our medical, dental, life and disability insurance plans, in each case on the same basis as other employees of the same status.

#### 401(k) Plan

We maintain a tax-qualified retirement plan that provides all regular employees with an opportunity to save for retirement on a tax-advantaged basis. Under our 401(k) plan, participants may elect to defer a portion of their compensation on a pre-tax basis and have it contributed to the plan subject to the applicable annual limits of the Code. Pre-tax contributions are allocated to each participant's individual account and are then invested in selected investment alternatives according to the participants' directions. Employee elective deferrals are 100% vested at all times. The 401(k) plan allows for matching contributions to be made by us. During fiscal years 2016 and 2015, we matched up to 25% of the first 8% of deferred compensation. As a tax-qualified retirement plan, contributions to the 401(k) plan and earnings on those contributions are not taxable to the employees until distributed from the 401(k) plan and all contributions are deductible by us when made.

#### Perquisites and Personal Benefits

We generally do not provide perquisites or personal benefits to our Named Executive Officers other than in connection with the relocation of a Named Executive Officer. We did, however, in 2016, reimburse Mr. McFeely \$61,204 for costs he incurred, as well as a tax gross up equal to \$27,497, in connection with his relocation to our Scottsdale, Arizona corporate office.

#### Employment Agreements for our Named Executive Officers

In 2016, we entered into employment agreements with each of Messrs. Lockard, Monie and McFeely, effective as of the completion of our Public Offering, pursuant to which the executives will continue to serve as our Chief Executive Officer, Chief Manufacturing Technology Officer and Chief Operating Officer, respectively. The terms of the employment agreements are substantially similar to each other and provide for at-will employment. The agreements also set forth initial base salaries, initial annual target bonuses and eligibility to participate in our benefit plans, generally. The current salaries for Messrs. Lockard, Monie and McFeely are \$500,000, \$310,000 and \$350,000, respectively, and the current annual target bonuses for Messrs. Lockard, Monie and McFeely are equal to 100%, 50% and 60% of their base salaries, respectively.

Pursuant to the employment agreements, each of Messrs. Lockard, Monie and McFeely are subject to standard confidentiality and nondisclosure, assignment of intellectual property work product and post-termination noncompetition and non-solicitation of employees, consultants and customers covenants.

#### Involuntary Termination of Employment Not in Connection with a Change in Control

Pursuant to the employment agreements, in the event the applicable Named Executive Officer is terminated by us without "cause" (as defined in such executive's employment agreement) or the Named Executive Officer resigns for "good reason" (as defined in such executive's employment agreement), in each case subject to the delivery of a fully effective release of claims and continued compliance with applicable restrictive covenants, the Named Executive Officer will be entitled to (i) a cash severance payment equal to 150%, 50% and 100% of the base salaries of Messrs. Lockard, Monie and McFeely, respectively (payable in 18, 6 and 12 monthly installments for Messrs. Lockard, Monie and McFeely, respectively) and (ii) up to 18, 6 and 12 monthly cash payments equal to our monthly contribution for health insurance for Messrs. Lockard, Monie and McFeely, respectively.

#### Involuntary Termination of Employment in Connection with a Change in Control

In the event a Named Executive Officer is terminated by us without cause or resigns for good reason, in each case within 12 months following a change in control (as defined in such executive's employment agreement), subject to the delivery of a fully effective release of claims and continued compliance with applicable restrictive covenants, the Named Executive Officer will not be entitled to the severance benefits described above, but will instead be entitled to the following: (i) a lump sum cash severance payment equal to 150%, 100% and 100% of the base salaries of Messrs. Lockard, Monie and McFeely, respectively, and 150%, 100% and 100% of the annual target bonuses of Messrs. Lockard, Monie and McFeely, respectively, (ii) up to 18, 12 and 12 monthly cash payments for Messrs. Lockard, Monie and McFeely, respectively, equal to our monthly contribution for health insurance for the executive, (iii) for all outstanding and unvested equity awards of the Company subject to time-based vesting held by the executives, full accelerated vesting of such awards, with a post-termination exercise period, if applicable, of one year and (iv) for all outstanding and unvested equity awards of the Company subject to performance-based vesting held by the executives, full accelerated vesting of such awards to the extent the applicable performance goals have been met at such time.

The Company may terminate each Named Executive Officer's employment for cause by a vote of the Board at a meeting of the Board called and held for such purpose.

The payments and benefits provided under the employment agreements in connection with a change in control may not be eligible for federal income tax deduction for the Company pursuant to Section 280G of the Code. These payments and benefits may also be subject to an excise tax under Section 4999 of the Code. If the payments or benefits payable to each Named Executive Officer in connection with a change in control would be subject to the excise tax imposed under Section 4999 of the Code, then those payments or benefits will be reduced if such reduction would result in a higher net after-tax benefit to the executive.

#### **Outstanding Equity Awards at Fiscal Year-End Table**

The following table summarizes, for each of the Named Executive Officers, the outstanding equity awards held by the Named Executive Officer as of December 31, 2016:

		Option Awards (1)				Stock Awards (1)		
Name	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#) Exercisable	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#) Unexercisable (2)	Option Exercise Price (\$)	Option Expiration Date	Number of Shares or Units of Stock that Have Not Vested(#) (3)	Market Value of Shares or Units of Stock that Have Not Vested(\$)		
	Excreisable							
Steven C. Lockard	_	828,720	10.87	5/29/2025	276,480	4,434,739		
Wayne G. Monie		307,800	10.87	5/29/2025	102,600	1,645,704		
Mark R. McFeely	_	288,000	16.53	12/23/2025	_	_		

- (1) Each equity award was granted pursuant to our Amended and Restated 2015 Stock Option and Incentive Plan (the "2015 Plan").
- (2) Approximately 25% of the shares subject to the option vest on the first anniversary of the effective date of the Public Offering, and approximately 6.25% of the shares vest each quarter thereafter, such that 100% of the shares subject to the option will vest on the fourth anniversary of the Public Offering; provided, that the Named Executive Officer remains continuously employed with us through each applicable vesting date.
- (3) Approximately one-third of the restricted stock units vest on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the effective date of the Public Offering; provided, that the Named Executive Officer remains continuously employed with us through each applicable vesting date.
- (4) Based on the Company's closing market price of \$16.04 per share on December 30, 2016.

#### **Equity Compensation Plan Information**

The following table presents information as of December 31, 2016 for our equity compensation plans approved by our stockholders. We do not have any equity compensation plans that have not been approved by our stockholders.

Plan Category	(a) Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights (1)	exerci outstand	hted-average se price of ling options, and rights (2)	(c) Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in column (a))
Equity compensation plans approved by stockholders (3)	3,331,418	\$	12.72	3,587,692(4)
Equity compensation plans not approved by stockholders	<del></del>		<del>-</del>	<del>-</del>
Total	3,331,418	\$	12.72	3,587,692

- (1) Excludes 636,120 shares subject to restricted stock units outstanding as of December 31, 2016 issued under the 2015 Plan.
- (2) Reflects the weighted-average exercise price of 3,331,418 stock options outstanding as of December 31, 2016, under the 2015 Plan and the 2008 Stock Option and Grant Plan (the "2008 Plan"). Restricted stock units do not have an exercise price and are not included in the calculation of the weighted-average exercise price set forth in column (b).
- (3) Includes the 2015 Plan and the 2008 Plan.
- (4) The number of shares available under the 2015 Plan increases on January 1 of each year by up to 4% of the outstanding shares of common stock on the immediately preceding December 31 or such lesser number of shares as determined by or our compensation committee or our board in its sole discretion.

#### **Director Compensation**

In connection with the Public Offering, and based on the recommendation of our compensation committee, we adopted a non-employee director compensation policy, which enables us to attract and retain high caliber directors, who are not employees or officers of the company.

Under our non-employee director compensation policy, each of our non-employee directors is entitled to an annual cash fee of \$50,000. The Chairperson of the Board is entitled to receive an additional annual fee of \$25,000 and the lead director, if we were to have a lead director who was not the Chairperson of the Board, will receive an additional annual fee of \$15,000. In addition, members of our committees of the Board are entitled to receive additional compensation as follows: (i) each member of the audit committee is entitled to receive an annual fee of \$10,000 and the chairperson of the audit committee also is entitled to receive an additional annual fee of \$7,500 and the chairperson of the compensation committee is entitled to receive an additional annual fee of \$12,500 and (iii) each member of the nominating and corporate governance committee is entitled to receive an annual fee of \$5,000 and the chairperson of the nominating and corporate governance committee is entitled to receive an additional annual fee of \$10,000.

Board of Directors	Annı	ual Retainer
All non-employee members	\$	50,000
		ional Annual Retainers
Chairperson of the board of directors	\$	25,000
Lead director	\$	15,000
Audit committee chairperson	\$	15,000
Audit committee member	\$	10,000
Compensation committee chairperson	\$	12,500
Compensation committee member	\$	7,500
Nominating and corporate governance committee chairperson	\$	10,000
Nominating and corporate governance committee member	\$	5,000

In addition, upon initial appointment to the Board, each non-employee director will receive an option award with a grant date fair value of approximately \$200,000, which will vest over four years (25% on the first anniversary of the grant date and 6.25% each quarter thereafter), subject to the director continuing to be a service provider to us through each applicable vesting date. Each non-employee director will also be entitled to receive an annual restricted stock unit award with a grant date fair value of approximately \$60,000, which award will vest in full on the first anniversary of the grant date, subject to the director continuing to be a service provider to us through the vesting date, however, we did not grant any restricted stock unit awards to directors during the year ended December 31, 2016.

In the event of a "Sale Event" (as defined in the 2015 Plan), the then-outstanding and unvested equity awards held by the non-employee directors that were granted pursuant to this non-employee director compensation policy will become 100% vested.

We reimburse all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred by non-employee directors in attending meetings of the Board or any committee thereof.

#### **Director Compensation Table**

The following table presents the total compensation for each person who served as a member of our Board during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016. Steven C. Lockard, who is our Chief Executive Officer, and Wayne G. Monie, who is our Chief Manufacturing Technology Officer, were employees during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016 and received no additional compensation for their service as members of our Board. The compensation received by Messrs. Lockard and Monie, as Named Executive Officers of the Company, are presented above in "Executive Compensation—Summary Compensation Table."

	Fees Earned or Paid in Cash	Stock Awards	Option Awards	
Director Name (1)	(\$)	<b>(\$)</b> (2)	(\$) (2)	Total (\$)
Stephen Bransfield	60,000	_	_	60,000
Michael DeRosa	28,750	_	_	28,750
Philip Deutch	36,250	_	_	36,250
Paul Giovacchini	47,500	_	_	47,500
Jack Henry	68,750	_	_	68,750
James Hughes	57,500	_	_	57,500
Scott Humber (3)	_	_	_	_
Daniel Weiss	27,500	_	_	27,500

- (1) As of December 31, 2016, Messrs. Bransfield and Henry each had options to purchase 38,731 shares of our common stock outstanding and Messrs. DeRosa, Deutch, Giovacchini, Hughes and Weiss each had options to purchase 18,000 shares of our common stock outstanding. In addition, as of December 31, 2016, Messrs. Bransfield and Henry each had 18,000 restricted stock units outstanding and Messrs. DeRosa, Deutch, Giovacchini, Hughes and Weiss each had 2,880 restricted stock units outstanding.
- (2) We did not grant any stock option or restricted stock unit awards to our directors during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016.
- (3) Mr. Humber resigned from the Board in July 2016 prior to the Public Offering.

#### **Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation**

None of our executive officers currently serves, or in the past year have served, as a member of the board of directors or compensation committee of any entity that has one or more executive officers serving on our board of directors or compensation committee.

Paul G. Giovacchini and Michael L. DeRosa, members of our compensation committee, are affiliated with Landmark Partners and Element Partners, respectively.

Certain of our existing stockholders, consisting of entities associated with Element Partners, Angeleno Investors and Landmark Partners, each of which is an affiliate of a member of our board of directors, as well as certain of our executive officers, purchased shares of common stock with an aggregate price of approximately \$13.8 million in our Public Offering.

#### Report of the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors

The information contained in this compensation committee report shall not be deemed to be (i) "soliciting material," (ii) "filed" with the SEC, (iii) subject to Regulations 14A or 14C of the Exchange Act, or (iv) subject

to the liabilities of Section 18 of the Exchange Act. No portion of this compensation committee report shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, through any general statement incorporating by reference in its entirety the proxy statement in which this report appears, except to the extent that TPI Composites specifically incorporates this report or a portion of it by reference. In addition, this report shall not be deemed "filed" under either the Securities Act or the Exchange Act.

The compensation committee has reviewed and discussed the section captioned "Executive Compensation" with management. Based on such review and discussions, the compensation committee recommended to the Board that this "Executive Compensation" section be included in this proxy statement for the year ended December 31, 2016.

Compensation Committee

Paul G. Giovacchini Michael L. DeRosa Philip J. Deutch Jack A. Henry

#### Insider Trading Policy and Rule 10b5-1 Sales Plans

We have an insider trading policy that prohibits our officers, directors, employees, and certain other persons from engaging in, among other things, short sales, hedging of stock ownership positions, and transactions involving derivative securities relating to the company's common stock. Our insider trading policy permits our officers, directors and employees to enter into trading plans complying with Rule 10b5-1 under the Exchange Act.

#### SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT

The following table sets forth certain information with respect to the beneficial ownership of our common stock as of February 28, 2017 for:

- each of our Named Executive Officers;
- · each of our directors;
- all of our directors and executive officers as a group; and
- each person known by us to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of any class of our voting securities.

We have determined beneficial ownership in accordance with the rules of the SEC, and therefore it represents sole or shared voting or investment power with respect to our securities. Unless otherwise indicated below, to our knowledge, the persons and entities named in the table have sole voting and sole investment power with respect to all shares that they beneficially owned, subject to community property laws where applicable. We have deemed shares of our common stock subject to options and restricted stock units outstanding as of February 28, 2017 that were exercisable or issuable or will become exercisable or issuable within 60 days of February 28, 2017 to be outstanding and to be beneficially owned by the person holding the option or restricted stock unit for the purpose of computing the percentage ownership of that person but have not treated them as outstanding for the purpose of computing the percentage ownership of any other person.

We have based percentage ownership of our common stock on 33,923,115 shares of our common stock beneficially owned as of February 28, 2017.

Unless otherwise indicated, the address of each beneficial owner listed in the table below is c/o TPI Composites, Inc., 8501 N. Scottsdale Rd., Gainey Center II, Suite 100, Scottsdale, AZ 85253.

	Number of Shares	Percentage of Shares
	Beneficially Owned	Beneficially Owned
Executive Officers and Directors:		
Steven C. Lockard (1)	290,894	*
Wayne G. Monie (2)	109,410	*
William E. Siwek (3)	9,091	*
Paul G. Giovacchini (4)	6,096,030	18.0%
Jack A. Henry (5)	6,331	*
James A. Hughes (6)	13,636	*
Philip J. Deutch (7)	3,800,316	11.2%
Daniel G. Weiss (8)	5,144,239	15.2%
Stephen B. Bransfield (9)	6,331	*
Michael L. DeRosa (10)	9,503,611	28.0%
Steven G. Fishbach (11)	4,546	*
Mark R. McFeely (12)	4,546	*
All directors and executive officers as a group (12 persons) (13)	24,988,981	73.7%
5% Stockholders:		
Investment funds and entities affiliated with:		
Element Partners (14)	9,503,611	28.0%
Landmark Partners (15)	6,096,030	18.0%
Angeleno Investors II, L.P. (16)	5,144,239	15.2%
NGP Energy Technology Partners, L.P. (17)	3,800,316	11.2%
GE Ventures Limited (18)	2,843,664	8.4%

- \* Less than one percent (1%).
- (1) Consists of 290,894 shares of common stock.
- (2) Consists of 109,410 shares of common stock.
- (3) Consists of 9,091 shares of common stock.
- (4) Consists of (a)(i) 4,080,572 shares of common stock and (ii) a warrant to purchase 48,904 shares of common stock held by Landmark Growth Capital Partners, L.P. and (b)(i) 1,943,267 shares of common stock and (ii) a warrant to purchase 23,287 shares of common stock held by Landmark IAM Growth Capital, L.P. Paul G. Giovacchini serves as an advisor to Landmark Equity Advisors, LLC and may be deemed to share voting and investment power with respect to all shares held by Landmark Partners. The address for Landmark Partners is 10 Mill Pond Lane, Simsbury, Connecticut 06070.
- (5) Consists of an option to purchase 6,331 shares of common stock.
- (6) Consists of 13,636 shares of common stock.
- (7) Consists of 3,800,316 shares of common stock held by NGP Energy Technology Partners, L.P. NGP ETP, L.L.C. is the general partner of NGP Energy Technology Partners, L.P. Energy Technology Partners, L.L.C. is the manager of NGP ETP, L.L.C. Philip J. Deutch serves as the manager of Energy Technology Partners, L.L.C. and may be deemed to share voting and investment power with respect to all shares held by NGP Energy Technology Partners, L.P. The address for NGP Energy Technology Partners, L.P. is 1700 K Street NW, Suite 750, Washington, District of Columbia 20006.
- (8) Consists of 5,128,197 shares of common stock and a warrant to purchase 16,042 shares of common stock held by Angeleno Investors II, L.P. Daniel G. Weiss is a co-founder and managing partner of Angeleno Group and may be deemed to share voting and investment power with respect to all shares held by Angeleno Investors II, L.P. The address for Angeleno Investors II, L.P. is 2029 Century Park East, Suite 2980, Los Angeles, California 90067.
- (9) Consists of an option to purchase 6,331 shares of common stock.
- (10) Consists of (a)(i) 9,289,957 shares of common stock and (ii) a warrant to purchase 71,109 shares of common stock held by Element Partners II, L.P. and (b) (i) 141,463 shares of common stock and (ii) a warrant to purchase 1,082 shares of common stock held by Element Partners II Intrafund, L.P. Michael L. DeRosa is a managing director of Element Partners and may be deemed to share voting and investment power with respect to all shares held by Element Partners. The address for Element Partners is Three Radnor Corp. Ctr., Suite 410, Radnor, Pennsylvania 19087.
- (11) Consists of 4,546 shares of common stock.
- (12) Consists of 4,546 shares of common stock.
- (13) Consist of (i) 24,815,895 shares of common stock held by our current directors and executive officers, (ii) warrants to purchase 160,424 shares of common stock and (iii) 12,662 shares issuable pursuant to outstanding stock options which are exercisable within 60 days of February 28, 2017.
- (14) Consists of (a)(i) 9,289,957 shares of common stock and (ii) a warrant to purchase 71,109 shares of common stock held by Element Partners II, L.P. and (b) (i) 141,463 shares of common stock and (ii) a warrant to purchase 1,082 shares of common stock held by Element Partners II Intrafund, L.P. Michael L. DeRosa is a managing director of Element Partners and may be deemed to share voting and investment power with respect to all shares held by Element Partners. The address for Element Partners is Three Radnor Corp. Ctr., Suite 410, Radnor, Pennsylvania 19087.
- (15) Consists of (a)(i) 4,080,572 shares of common stock and (ii) a warrant to purchase 48,904 shares of common stock held by Landmark Growth Capital Partners, L.P. and (b)(i) 1,943,267 shares of common stock and (ii) a warrant to purchase 23,287 shares of common stock held by Landmark IAM Growth Capital, L.P. Paul G. Giovacchini serves as an advisor to Landmark Equity Advisors, LLC and may be deemed to share voting and investment power with respect to all shares held by Landmark Partners. The address for Landmark Partners is 10 Mill Pond Lane, Simsbury, Connecticut 06070.
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- (17) Consists of 3,800,316 shares of common stock held by NGP Energy Technology Partners, L.P. NGP ETP, L.L.C. is the general partner of NGP Energy Technology Partners, L.P. Energy Technology Partners, L.L.C. is the manager of NGP ETP, L.L.C. Philip J. Deutch serves as the manager of Energy Technology Partners, L.L.C. and may be deemed to share voting and investment power with respect to all shares held by NGP Energy Technology Partners, L.P. The address for NGP Energy Technology Partners, L.P. is 1700 K Street NW, Suite 750, Washington, District of Columbia 20006.
- (18) Consists of 2,843,664 shares of common stock.

#### Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance

Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act requires our directors, executive officers and persons who own more than 10% of our common stock, to file with the SEC initial reports of beneficial ownership and reports of changes in beneficial ownership. Officers, directors and greater than 10% stockholders are required by SEC regulations to furnish us with copies of all such reports.

To our knowledge, based solely on a review of the copies of such reports furnished to us and written representations that no other reports were required, we believe that for 2016, all required reports were filed on a timely basis under Section 16(a).

#### RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

#### **Certain Relationships and Transactions**

Other than the transactions discussed below and the compensation agreements, equity compensation policies, grants of certain equity awards and other arrangements which are discussed above in "Executive Compensation," in 2016, there was not, and there is not currently proposed, any transaction or series of similar transactions to which we were or will be a party for which the amount involved exceeds or will exceed \$120,000 and in which any director, executive officer, holder of 5% or more of any class of our capital stock or any member of their immediate family had or will have a direct or indirect material interest.

#### **GE Wind Customer Advance**

In January 2016, we entered into an agreement with General Electric International, Inc. and its affiliates ("GE Wind") and received an advance of \$2.0 million. These funds were used to expand the existing Mexico manufacturing facility to accommodate larger wind blade models. We were obligated to repay the advance, without interest, by providing future credits against a specified number of wind blade sets sold to GE Wind. If the Mexico operation failed to supply those wind blade sets by December 31, 2016, the then outstanding balance of the advance would have been immediately due and payable. The advance would have also been immediately due in full upon a change of control of the Company or within 30 days after the effective date of our Public Offering. In August 2016, the customer advance was repaid in full.

#### Non-Exclusive License to GE Wind

In January 2016, we granted GE Wind a non-exclusive license to use certain of our work instructions relating to our manufacturing processes for one of their wind blade models. The scope of this license is limited to manufacturing the wind blade model exclusively in a country in which we do not currently have manufacturing operations, and also includes a limited right to sublicense to a designated, independent third party wind manufacturer. This license remains in effect so long as the designated, independent manufacturer continues to manufacture, sell and service the wind blade model covered by the license for GE Wind and otherwise complies with the terms of the license. In exchange for granting this license, we received a license fee from GE Wind.

#### Participation in Public Offering

Certain of our existing stockholders, consisting of entities associated with Element Partners, Angeleno Group and Landmark Partners, each of which is an affiliate of a member of our board of directors, as well as certain of our executive officers, purchased shares of common stock with an aggregate price of approximately \$13.8 million in our Public Offering.

#### **Other Transactions**

We have granted stock options and other equity awards to our executive officers and certain of our directors. See the sections titled "Outstanding Equity Awards at Fiscal Year-End Table" and "Director Compensation Table" for a description of these options and equity awards.

We have entered into arrangements with certain of our executive officers that, among other things, provide for certain severance and change in control benefits.

We believe the terms of the transactions described above were comparable to terms we could have obtained in arm's-length dealings with unrelated third parties.

#### Indemnification of Officers and Directors

We have adopted an amended and restated certificate of incorporation, which contains provisions that limit the liability of our directors for monetary damages to the fullest extent permitted by Delaware law. Consequently,

our directors will not be personally liable to us or our stockholders for monetary damages for any breach of fiduciary duties as directors, except liability for the following:

- any breach of their duty of loyalty to our company or our stockholders;
- any act or omission not in good faith or that involves intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law;
- unlawful payments of dividends or unlawful stock repurchases or redemptions as provided in Section 174 of the Delaware General Corporation Law;
   or
- any transaction from which they derived an improper personal benefit.

Any amendment to, or repeal of, these provisions will not eliminate or reduce the effect of these provisions in respect of any act, omission or claim that occurred or arose prior to that amendment or repeal. If the Delaware General Corporation Law is amended to provide for further limitations on the personal liability of directors of corporations, then the personal liability of our directors will be further limited to the greatest extent permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law.

In addition, we have adopted amended and restated bylaws which provide that we will indemnify, to the fullest extent permitted by law, any person who is or was a party or is threatened to be made a party to any action, suit or proceeding by reason of the fact that he or she is or was one of our directors or officers or is or was serving at our request as a director or officer of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, or other enterprise. Our amended and restated bylaws provide that we may indemnify to the fullest extent permitted by law any person who is or was a party or is threatened to be made a party to any action, suit, or proceeding by reason of the fact that he or she is or was one of our employees or agents or is or was serving at our request as an employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, or other enterprise. Our amended and restated bylaws also provide that we must advance expenses incurred by or on behalf of a director or officer in advance of the final disposition of any action or proceeding, subject to very limited exceptions.

We have entered into indemnification agreements with each of our directors and executive officers that may be broader than the specific indemnification provisions contained in the Delaware General Corporation Law. These indemnification agreements require us, among other things, to indemnify our directors and executive officers against liabilities that may arise by reason of their status or service. These indemnification agreements also require us to advance all expenses incurred by the directors and executive officers in investigating or defending any such action, suit, or proceeding. We believe that these agreements are necessary to attract and retain qualified individuals to serve as directors and executive officers.

The limitation of liability and indemnification provisions that are included in our amended and restated certificate of incorporation, amended and restated bylaws, and in indemnification agreements that we enter into with our directors and executive officers may discourage stockholders from bringing a lawsuit against our directors and executive officers for breach of their fiduciary duties. They may also reduce the likelihood of derivative litigation against our directors and executive officers, even though an action, if successful, might benefit us and other stockholders. Further, a stockholder's investment may be harmed to the extent that we pay the costs of settlement and damage awards against directors and executive officers as required by these indemnification provisions. At present, we are not aware of any pending litigation or proceeding involving any person who is or was one of our directors, officers, employees or other agents or is or was serving at our request as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, for which indemnification is sought, and we are not aware of any threatened litigation that may result in claims for indemnification.

We have obtained insurance policies under which, subject to the limitations of the policies, coverage is provided to our directors and executive officers against loss arising from claims made by reason of breach of fiduciary duty or other wrongful acts as a director or executive officer, including claims relating to public securities

matters, and to us with respect to payments that may be made by us to these directors and executive officers pursuant to our indemnification obligations or otherwise as a matter of law.

Certain of our non-employee directors may, through their relationships with their employers or affiliated entities, be insured or indemnified against certain liabilities incurred in their capacity as members of our board of directors. In our indemnification agreements with these non-employee directors, we have agreed that our indemnification obligations will be primary to any such other indemnification arrangements.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers or persons controlling our company pursuant to the foregoing provisions, we have been informed that, in the opinion of the SEC, such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is therefore unenforceable.

#### **Procedures for Approval of Related Party Transactions**

Following the closing of the Public Offering, the audit committee of our board of directors has the primary responsibility for reviewing and approving or disapproving "related party transactions," which are transactions between us and related persons in which the aggregate amount involved exceeds or may be expected to exceed \$120,000 and in which a related person has or will have a direct or indirect material interest. For purposes of this policy, a related person is defined as a director, executive officer, nominee for director or greater than 5% beneficial owner of our common stock, in each case since the beginning of the most recently completed year, and their immediate family members. Our audit committee charter provides that the audit committee shall review and approve or disapprove any related party transactions.

All of the transactions described above were entered into prior to the adoption of this policy. Accordingly, each was approved by disinterested members of our board of directors after making a determination that the transaction was executed on terms no less favorable than those that could have been obtained from an unrelated third party.

#### TRANSACTION OF OTHER BUSINESS

The Board knows of no other matters that will be presented for consideration at the Annual Meeting. If any other matters are properly brought before the Annual Meeting, the persons appointed in the accompanying proxy intend to vote the shares represented thereby in accordance with their best judgment on such matters, under applicable laws.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

#### **Procedures for Submitting Stockholder Proposals**

Requirements for Stockholder Proposals to be Brought Before the Annual Meeting. The advance notice requirements for the Annual Meeting, which is the first annual meeting following the Public Offering of our common stock, are as follows: a stockholder's notice shall be timely if delivered to our Secretary at the address set forth below not later than the close of business on the later of the 90th day prior to the scheduled date of the Annual Meeting or the 10th day following the day on which public announcement of the date of the Annual Meeting is first made or sent by us.

Our amended and restated bylaws provide that, for nominations of persons for election to our Board or other proposals to be considered at an annual meeting of stockholders, a stockholder must give written notice to our Secretary at TPI Composites, Inc., 8501 N. Scottsdale Rd., Gainey Center II, Suite 100, Scottsdale, AZ 85253, not later than the close of business 90 days, nor earlier than the close of business 120 days, prior to the first anniversary of the date of the preceding year's annual meeting. Since our Annual Meeting is being held on May 16, 2017, stockholder proposals must be received by our Secretary at our principal executive offices no earlier than January 16, 2018 and no later than February 15, 2018 in order to be raised at our 2018 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, However, the amended and restated bylaws also provide that in the event the date of the annual meeting is more than 30 days before or more than 60 days after such anniversary date, notice must be delivered not later than the close of business on the later of the 90th day prior to such annual meeting or the 10th day following the day on which public announcement of the date of such meeting is first made. Any nomination must include all information relating to the nominee that is required to be disclosed in solicitations of proxies for election of directors in election contests or is otherwise required under Regulation 14A of the Exchange Act, the person's written consent to be named in the proxy statement and to serve as a director if elected and such information as we might reasonably require to determine the eligibility of the person to serve as a director. As to other business, the notice must include a brief description of the business desired to be brought before the meeting, the reasons for conducting such business at the meeting, and any material interest of such stockholder (and the beneficial owner) in the proposal. The proposal must be a proper subject for stockholder action. In addition, to make a nomination or proposal, the stockholder must be of record at the time the notice is made and must provide certain information regarding itself (and the beneficial owner), including the name and address, as they appear on our books, of the stockholder proposing such business, the number of shares of our capital stock which are, directly or indirectly, owned beneficially or of record by the stockholder proposing such business or its affiliates or associates (as defined in Rule 12b-2 promulgated under the Exchange Act) and certain additional information. You are also advised to review our amended and restated bylaws, which contain additional requirements about advance notice of stockholder proposals and director nominations.

Requirements for Stockholder Proposals to be Considered for Inclusion in the Company's Proxy Materials. In addition to the requirements stated above, any stockholder who wishes to submit a proposal for inclusion in our proxy materials must comply with Rule 14a-8 promulgated under the Exchange Act. For such proposals to be included in our proxy materials relating to our 2018 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, all applicable requirements of Rule 14a-8 must be satisfied and we must receive such proposals no later than December 31, 2017. Such proposals must be delivered to our Secretary at TPI Composites, Inc., 8501 N. Scottsdale Rd., Gainey Center II, Suite 100, Scottsdale, AZ 85253.

#### HOUSEHOLDING OF PROXY MATERIALS

Some banks, brokers, and other nominee record holders may be participating in the practice of "householding" proxy statements and annual reports. This means that only one copy of the Notice of 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, Proxy Statement and 2016 Annual Report to Shareholders, as applicable, is being delivered to multiple stockholders sharing an address unless we have received contrary instructions. We will promptly deliver a separate copy of any of these documents to you if you write to us at 8501 N. Scottsdale Rd., Gainey Center II, Suite 100, Scottsdale, AZ 85253, Attention: Secretary or call us at (480) 315-8742. If you want to receive separate copies of the Notice of 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, Proxy Statement or 2016 Annual Report to Shareholders in the future, or if you are receiving multiple copies and would like to receive only one copy for your household, you should contact your bank, broker or other nominee record holder, or you may contact us at the above address or telephone number.

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Use the Internet to transmit your voting instructions and for electronic delivery of information up until 11:59 P.M. Eastern Time the day before the meeting date. Have your proxy card in hand when you access the web site and follow the instructions to obtain your records and to create an electronic voting instruction form.

#### ELECTRONIC DELIVERY OF FUTURE PROXY MATERIALS

If you would like to reduce the costs incurred by our company in mailing proxy materials, you can consent to receiving all future proxy statements, proxy cards and annual reports electronically via e-mail or the Internet. To sign up for electronic delivery, please follow the instructions above to vote using the Internet and, when prompted, indicate that you agree to receive or access proxy materials electronically in future years.

#### VOTE BY PHONE - 1-800-690-6903

Use any touch-tone telephone to transmit your voting instructions up until 11:59 P.M. Eastern Time the day before the meeting date. Have your proxy card in hand when you call and then follow the instructions.

#### VOTE BY MAIL

Mark, sign and date your proxy card and return it in the postage-paid envelope we have provided or return it to Vote Processing, c/o Broadridge, 51 Mercedes Way, Edgewood, NY 11717.

TO VOTE, MARK BLOCKS BELOW IN BLUE OR BLACK INK AS FOLLOWS:

KEEP THIS PORTION FOR YOUR RECORDS DETACH

AND RETURN THIS PORTION ONLY

#### THIS PROXY CARD IS VALID ONLY WHEN SIGNED AND DATED For Withhold For All To withhold authority to vote for any individual nominee(s), mark "For All Except" and write the All All Except number(s) of the nominee(s) on the line below. The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following: 1. Election of Directors Nominees 01 Steven C. Lockard 02 Stephen B. Bransfield 03 Philip J. Deutch The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following proposal: For Against Abstain 2. To ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017. П NOTE: Such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof. Please sign exactly as your name(s) appear(s) hereon. When signing as attorney, executor, administrator, or other fiduciary, please give full title as such. Joint owners should each sign personally. All holders must sign. If a corporation or partnership, please sign in full corporate or partnership name, by authorized officer. Signature [PLEASE SIGN WITHIN BOX] Date Signature (Joint Owners) Date



Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting: The Notice, Proxy Statement and Annual Report are available at <a href="https://www.proxyvote.com">www.proxyvote.com</a>

TPI COMPOSITES, INC.

Annual Meeting of Stockholders May 16, 2017 1:00 PM This proxy is solicited by the Board of Directors

The stockholder(s) hereby appoint(s) Steven C. Lockard and William E. Siwek, or either of them, as proxies, each with the power to appoint (his/her) substitute, and hereby authorizes them to represent and to vote, as designated on the reverse side of this ballot, all of the shares of common stock of TPI COMPOSITES, INC. that the stockholder(s) is/are entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting of Stockholder(s) to be held at

01:00 PM, local time on May 16, 2017, at the Westin Kierland Resort & Spa, 6902 East Greenway Parkway, Scottsdale, Arizona 85254 and any adjournment or postponement thereof.

This proxy, when properly executed, will be voted in the manner directed herein. If no such direction is made, this proxy will be voted in accordance with the Board of Directors' recommendations.

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