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# COCA-COLA CONSOLIDATED, INC.

Notice of Annual Meeting and Proxy Statement

2023 Annual Meeting of Stockholders May 9, 2023



**COCA-COLA CONSOLIDATED, INC.** 4100 Coca-Cola Plaza Charlotte, North Carolina 28211

March 20, 2023

Dear Stockholder:

On behalf of the Board of Directors and the management of Coca-Cola Consolidated, Inc., I invite you to the 2023 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "Annual Meeting") to be held at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Time, on Tuesday, May 9, 2023. The Annual Meeting will be held exclusively via live audio webcast at *www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/COKE2023*. Details regarding how to participate in the Annual Meeting via live audio webcast and the business to be conducted are described in the accompanying Notice of 2023 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and Proxy Statement.

Whether or not you plan to participate in the Annual Meeting, I strongly encourage you to vote as soon as possible to ensure that your shares are represented at the meeting. The accompanying Proxy Statement explains more about voting. Please read it carefully.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

J. Frank Harrison, III Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

# COCA-COLA CONSOLIDATED, INC.

4100 Coca-Cola Plaza Charlotte, North Carolina 28211 (980) 392-8298

#### NOTICE OF 2023 ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

March 20, 2023

To Stockholders of Coca-Cola Consolidated, Inc.:

The 2023 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "Annual Meeting") of Coca-Cola Consolidated, Inc. ("Coca-Cola Consolidated") will be held at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Time, on Tuesday, May 9, 2023 via live audio webcast at *www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/COKE2023*, for the following purposes:

- 1. To elect the 11 director nominees nominated by the Board of Directors;
- 2. To approve, on an advisory basis, Coca-Cola Consolidated's named executive officer compensation in fiscal 2022;
- 3. To vote, on an advisory basis, on the frequency of future advisory votes to approve Coca-Cola Consolidated's named executive officer compensation;
- 4. To ratify the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP to serve as Coca-Cola Consolidated's independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal 2023;
- 5. To approve the amendment to Coca-Cola Consolidated's Restated Certificate of Incorporation to limit the personal liability of certain senior officers of Coca-Cola Consolidated as permitted by recent amendments to the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware; and
- 6. To transact such other business as may properly come before the Annual Meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof.

# The Board of Directors unanimously recommends that you vote "FOR" Items 1, 2, 4 and 5, and vote in favor of a frequency of every "3 YEARS" for Item 3. The proxy holders will use their discretion to vote on other matters that may properly come before the Annual Meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof.

Stockholders as of the close of business on March 13, 2023 will be entitled to vote during the Annual Meeting by visiting *www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/COKE2023*. To participate in the Annual Meeting via live audio webcast, you will need the 16-digit control number, which can be found on the proxy card, voting instruction form or Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials provided or the instructions that you receive by email.

Coca-Cola Consolidated has designed the format of the Annual Meeting to ensure that stockholders are afforded the same rights and opportunities to participate as they would have at an in-person meeting, using online tools to ensure stockholder access and participation. Specifically, stockholders participating in the Annual Meeting will be able to vote their shares electronically and to submit questions during the meeting using the directions on the virtual meeting site, *www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/COKE2023*, that day. The Annual Meeting will begin promptly at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Time. Online check-in will begin at 8:45 a.m., Eastern Time. Please allow ample time for the online check-in process.

Your vote is important. Whether or not you plan to participate in the Annual Meeting, you are encouraged to vote as soon as possible to ensure that your shares are represented at the meeting. If you are a stockholder of record and received a

paper copy of the proxy materials by mail, you may vote your shares by proxy using one of the following methods: (i) vote via the internet; (ii) vote by telephone; or (iii) complete, sign, date and return your proxy card in the postage-paid envelope provided. If you are a stockholder of record and received only a Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials by mail, you may vote your shares by proxy at the internet site address listed on your Notice. If you hold your shares through an account with a bank, broker or similar organization, please follow the instructions you receive from the stockholder of record to vote your shares.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

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E. Beauregarde Fisher III *Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary* 

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders To Be Held on May 9, 2023:

The Notice of Annual Meeting and Proxy Statement and the 2022 Annual Report to Stockholders are available at *www.proxyvote.com*.

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# **PROXY STATEMENT**

The Board of Directors (the "Board of Directors" or the "Board") of Coca-Cola Consolidated, Inc. ("Coca-Cola Consolidated" or the "Company") is providing these materials to you in connection with the 2023 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "Annual Meeting"). The Annual Meeting will be held at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Time, on Tuesday, May 9, 2023 via live audio webcast at *www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/COKE2023*.

#### **General Information**

#### Why did I receive these materials?

You received these materials because the Board of Directors is soliciting your proxy to vote your shares at the Annual Meeting. This Proxy Statement includes information that Coca-Cola Consolidated is required to provide you under the United States Securities and Exchange Commission rules and regulations (the "SEC rules") and is designed to assist you in voting your shares.

#### What is a proxy?

The Board is asking for your proxy. This means you authorize persons selected by the Company to vote your shares at the Annual Meeting in the way that you instruct. All shares represented by valid proxies received and not revoked before the Annual Meeting will be voted in accordance with the stockholder's specific voting instructions.

#### Why did I receive a one-page notice regarding internet availability of proxy materials instead of a full set of the proxy materials?

The SEC rules allow companies to choose the method for delivery of proxy materials to stockholders. For most stockholders, the Company has elected to mail a notice regarding the availability of proxy materials on the internet (the "Notice of Internet Availability"), rather than sending a full set of these materials in the mail. The Notice of Internet Availability, or a full set of the proxy materials (including the Proxy Statement and form of proxy), as applicable, was sent to stockholders beginning March 20, 2023, and the proxy materials were posted on the investor relations portion of the Company's website, *www.cokeconsolidated.com*, and on the website referenced in the Notice of Internet Availability on the same day. Utilizing this method of proxy delivery expedites receipt of proxy materials by the Company's stockholders and lowers the cost of the Annual Meeting. If you would like to receive a paper or email copy of the proxy materials, you should follow the instructions in the Notice of Internet Availability for requesting a copy.

#### What is included in these materials?

These materials include:

- the Notice of Annual Meeting and Proxy Statement; and
- the 2022 Annual Report to Stockholders, which contains the Company's audited consolidated financial statements.

If you received a paper copy of these materials by mail, these materials also include the proxy card or voting instruction form for the Annual Meeting.

#### What items will be voted on at the Annual Meeting?

There are five proposals scheduled to be voted on at the Annual Meeting:

- the election of the 11 director nominees nominated by the Board of Directors;
- the approval, on an advisory basis, of Coca-Cola Consolidated's named executive officer compensation in fiscal 2022;
- the vote, on an advisory basis, on the frequency of future advisory votes to approve Coca-Cola Consolidated's named executive officer compensation;
- the ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP to serve as Coca-Cola Consolidated's independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal 2023; and
- the approval of the amendment to Coca-Cola Consolidated's Restated Certificate of Incorporation to limit the personal liability of certain senior officers of Coca-Cola Consolidated as permitted by recent amendments to the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "DGCL").

The Board is not aware of any other matters to be brought before the Annual Meeting. If other matters are properly raised at the Annual Meeting, the proxy holders may vote any shares represented by proxy in their discretion.

#### What are the Board's voting recommendations?

The Board unanimously recommends that you vote your shares:

- "FOR" the election of each of the 11 director nominees nominated by the Board of Directors;
- **"FOR"** the approval, on an advisory basis, of Coca-Cola Consolidated's named executive officer compensation in fiscal 2022;
- **"3 YEARS"** for the advisory vote on the frequency of future advisory votes to approve Coca-Cola Consolidated's named executive officer compensation;
- **"FOR"** the ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP to serve as Coca-Cola Consolidated's independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal 2023; and
- **"FOR"** the approval of the amendment to Coca-Cola Consolidated's Restated Certificate of Incorporation to limit the personal liability of certain senior officers of Coca-Cola Consolidated as permitted by recent amendments to the DGCL.

#### Who can participate in the Annual Meeting?

The Annual Meeting will be held exclusively via live audio webcast at *www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/COKE2023*. Participation in the Annual Meeting is limited to:

- stockholders as of the close of business on March 13, 2023;
- holders of valid proxies for the Annual Meeting; and
- invited guests.



To participate in the Annual Meeting via live audio webcast, you will need the 16-digit control number, which can be found on the proxy card, voting instruction form or Notice of Internet Availability provided or the instructions that you receive by email. The Annual Meeting will begin promptly at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Time, on Tuesday, May 9, 2023. Online check-in will begin at 8:45 a.m., Eastern Time. Please allow ample time for the online check-in process. If you encounter any difficulties accessing the live audio webcast of the Annual Meeting during the online check-in process or during the meeting itself, including any difficulties with your 16-digit control number, please call the technical support number available at *www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/COKE2023*.

#### When is the record date and who is entitled to vote?

The Board set March 13, 2023 as the record date. As of the close of business on the record date, there were 8,368,993 shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated Common Stock outstanding and 1,004,696 shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated Class B Common Stock outstanding. Each share of Common Stock outstanding as of the close of business on the record date is entitled to one vote and each share of Class B Common Stock outstanding as of the close of business on the record date is entitled to 20 votes on any matter properly presented at the Annual Meeting.

#### What is a stockholder of record?

A stockholder of record or registered stockholder is a stockholder whose ownership of Coca-Cola Consolidated stock is reflected directly on the books and records of the Company's transfer agent, American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC. If you hold Coca-Cola Consolidated stock through an account with a bank, broker or similar organization, you are considered the beneficial owner of shares held in street name and are not a stockholder of record. For shares held in street name, the stockholder of record is your bank, broker or similar organization. Coca-Cola Consolidated only has access to ownership records for the registered shares.

#### How do I vote?

You may vote by any of the following methods:

- *Electronically during the Annual Meeting*. Stockholders of record and beneficial owners of shares held in street name may participate in the Annual Meeting via live audio webcast and cast their vote online during the meeting prior to the closing of the polls by visiting www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/COKE2023.
- *Via the internet or by telephone*. Stockholders of record may vote by proxy, via the internet or by telephone, by following the instructions included in the proxy card or Notice of Internet Availability provided or the instructions received by email. If you are a beneficial owner of shares held in street name, your ability to vote via the internet or by telephone depends on the voting procedures of the stockholder of record (e.g., your bank, broker or other nominee). Please follow the instructions included in the voting instruction form or Notice of Internet Availability provided to you by the stockholder of record.
- *By mail*. Stockholders of record and beneficial owners of shares held in street name may vote by proxy by completing, signing, dating and returning the proxy card or voting instruction form provided.

#### How can I revoke my proxy or change my vote?

*Stockholders of record.* You may revoke your proxy or change your vote at any time prior to the taking of the vote at the Annual Meeting by (i) submitting a written notice of revocation to the Company's Secretary at Coca-Cola Consolidated, Inc., 4100 Coca-Cola Plaza, Charlotte, North Carolina 28211; (ii) delivering a proxy bearing a later date using any of the voting methods described in the immediately preceding Q&A, including via the internet or by telephone, and until the applicable deadline for each method specified in the accompanying proxy card or the Notice of Internet Availability; or (iii) participating in the Annual Meeting via live audio webcast and voting online during the meeting prior to the closing of the polls. Participating in the Annual Meeting will not cause your previously granted proxy to be revoked unless you

vote online during the meeting prior to the closing of the polls. For all methods of voting, the last vote cast will supersede all previous votes.

*Beneficial owners of shares held in street name*. You may revoke or change your voting instructions by participating in the Annual Meeting via live audio webcast and voting online during the meeting prior to the closing of the polls or by following the specific instructions provided to you by the stockholder of record (e.g., your bank, broker or other nominee).

#### What happens if I vote by proxy and do not provide specific voting instructions?

*Stockholders of record*. If you are a stockholder of record and you vote by proxy, via the internet, by telephone or by returning a properly executed and dated proxy card by mail, without providing specific voting instructions, then the proxy holders will vote your shares in the manner recommended by the Board on all matters presented in this Proxy Statement and as the proxy holders may determine in their discretion for any other matters properly presented for a vote at the Annual Meeting.

*Beneficial owners of shares held in street name*. If you are a beneficial owner of shares held in street name and you do not provide the organization that holds your shares with specific voting instructions, under the rules of various national and regional securities exchanges, the organization that holds your shares may generally vote on "routine" matters but cannot vote on "non-routine" matters. If the organization that holds your shares does not receive instructions from you on how to vote your shares on a "non-routine" matter, the organization that holds your shares will inform the inspector of election that it does not have the authority to vote on that matter with respect to your shares. This is referred to as a "broker non-vote."

Proposals 1, 2, 3 and 5, the election of directors, the advisory vote to approve Coca-Cola Consolidated's named executive officer compensation in fiscal 2022, the advisory vote on the frequency of future advisory votes to approve Coca-Cola Consolidated's named executive officer compensation and the approval of the amendment to Coca-Cola Consolidated's Restated Certificate of Incorporation to limit the personal liability of certain senior officers of Coca-Cola Consolidated as permitted by recent amendments to the DGCL, respectively, are "non-routine" matters. Consequently, without your voting instructions, the organization that holds your shares cannot vote your shares on these proposals. Proposal 4, the ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP to serve as Coca-Cola Consolidated's independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal 2023, is considered a "routine" matter.

#### What is the voting requirement to approve each of the proposals?

- *Proposal 1, Election of Directors*. Directors shall be elected by a plurality of the votes cast (meaning that the 11 director nominees who receive the highest number of votes cast "for" their election will be elected as directors). There is no cumulative voting with respect to the election of directors.
- Proposal 2, Advisory Vote to Approve Named Executive Officer Compensation. Advisory approval of Coca-Cola Consolidated's named executive officer compensation in fiscal 2022 requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the total votes of all shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated Common Stock and Class B Common Stock present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote on the proposal at the Annual Meeting (meaning that of the total votes of all shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated Common Stock and Class B Common Stock and entitled to vote, a majority of them must be voted "for" the proposal for it to be approved).
- *Proposal 3, Advisory Vote on the Frequency of Future Advisory Votes to Approve Named Executive Officer Compensation.* Although the vote on the frequency of future advisory votes to approve Coca-Cola Consolidated's named executive officer compensation is advisory, the Compensation Committee and the Board of Directors will consider the frequency receiving the most votes when deciding how often to have advisory "say-on-pay" votes in the future. Stockholders can choose one of four options for this proposal: 1 Year, 2 Years, 3 Years or Abstain.
- *Proposal 4, Ratification of the Appointment of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.* Ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP to serve as Coca-Cola Consolidated's independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal 2023 requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the total votes of all shares of

Coca-Cola Consolidated Common Stock and Class B Common Stock present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote on the proposal at the Annual Meeting (meaning that of the total votes of all shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated Common Stock and Class B Common Stock represented at the Annual Meeting and entitled to vote, a majority of them must be voted "for" the proposal for it to be approved).

- Proposal 5, Approval of the Amendment to Coca-Cola Consolidated's Restated Certificate of Incorporation. Approval of the
  amendment to Coca-Cola Consolidated's Restated Certificate of Incorporation to limit the personal liability of certain senior officers
  of Coca-Cola Consolidated as permitted by recent amendments to the DGCL requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the
  outstanding shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated Common Stock and Class B Common Stock entitled to vote on the proposal at the
  Annual Meeting (meaning that of the outstanding shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated Common Stock
  entitled to vote, a majority of them must be voted "for" the proposal for it to be approved).
- *Other Items*. Approval of any other matters requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the total votes of all shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated Common Stock and Class B Common Stock present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote on the item at the Annual Meeting (meaning that of the total votes of all shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated Common Stock and Class B Common Stock represented at the Annual Meeting and entitled to vote, a majority of them must be voted "for" the item for it to be approved).

#### What is the quorum for the Annual Meeting? How are "withhold" votes, abstentions and broker non-votes treated?

The presence, in person or by proxy, of the holders of a majority of the votes eligible to be cast by the holders of Coca-Cola Consolidated Common Stock and Class B Common Stock voting together as a class is necessary for the transaction of business at the Annual Meeting. Virtual attendance at the Annual Meeting constitutes presence in person for the purpose of establishing a quorum at the meeting. Your shares are counted as being present if you participate in the Annual Meeting via live audio webcast and cast your vote online during the meeting prior to the closing of the polls by visiting *www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/COKE2023*, or if you vote by proxy, via the internet, by telephone or by returning a properly executed and dated proxy card or voting instruction form by mail. "Withhold" votes, abstentions and broker non-votes are counted as present for the purpose of determining a quorum for the Annual Meeting; however, broker non-votes are not counted as present for the purpose of determining a quorum for Proposal 1, the election of directors.

With respect to Proposal 1, the election of directors, only "for" and "withhold" votes may be cast. Broker non-votes will not be considered votes cast for the foregoing purpose and will therefore have no effect on the election of director nominees. "Withhold" votes will also have no effect on the election of director nominees.

With respect to Proposals 2, 4 and 5, the advisory vote to approve Coca-Cola Consolidated's named executive officer compensation in fiscal 2022, the ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP to serve as Coca-Cola Consolidated's independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal 2023 and the approval of the amendment to Coca-Cola Consolidated's Restated Certificate of Incorporation to limit the personal liability of certain senior officers of Coca-Cola Consolidated as permitted by recent amendments to the DGCL, respectively, you may vote "for" or "against" these proposals, or you may "abstain" from voting on these proposals. For Proposals 2 and 4, the advisory vote to approve Coca-Cola Consolidated's named executive officer compensation in fiscal 2022 and the ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP to serve as Coca-Cola Consolidated's independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal 2023, respectively, abstentions will be counted as votes present in person or represented by proxy at the Annual Meeting and entitled to vote on these proposals and will therefore have the same effect as votes "against" these proposals, and broker non-votes will not be considered entitled to vote on these proposals and will therefore have no effect on their outcome. As discussed above, because Proposal 4, the ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP to serve as Coca-Cola Consolidated's independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal 2023, is considered a "routine" matter, the Company does not expect any broker non-votes with respect to this proposal. For Proposal 5, the approval of the amendment to Coca-Cola Consolidated's Restated Certificate of Incorporation to limit the personal liability of certain senior officers of Coca-Cola Consolidated as permitted by recent amendments to the DGCL, abstentions and broker non-votes will have the same effect as votes "against" this proposal.



With respect to Proposal 3, the advisory vote on the frequency of future advisory votes to approve Coca-Cola Consolidated's named executive officer compensation, you may vote for a frequency of future advisory "say-on-pay" votes of every "one year," "two years" or "three years," or you may "abstain" from voting on this proposal. Abstentions will be counted as votes present in person or represented by proxy at the Annual Meeting and entitled to vote on this proposal and will therefore have the same effect as votes "against" this proposal, and broker non-votes will not be considered entitled to vote on this proposal and will therefore have no effect on its outcome.

#### Will I be given the opportunity to submit questions during the Annual Meeting?

Yes. Stockholders as of the close of business on the record date will be able to submit questions during the Annual Meeting by visiting *www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/COKE2023*. The Company will try to answer as many stockholder-submitted questions as time permits, and, in the event the Company receives more questions than it can answer during the allotted period of time, the Company will answer them in the order received. However, the Company reserves the right to edit profanity or other inappropriate language and to exclude questions that are not pertinent to meeting matters, do not comply with the meeting rules of conduct, or are otherwise inappropriate. If the Company receives substantially similar questions, it will group such questions together and provide a single response to avoid repetition.

#### Who pays for solicitation of proxies?

The Company is paying the cost of soliciting proxies and will reimburse its transfer agent, brokerage firms, financial institutions and other custodians, nominees, fiduciaries and stockholders of record for their reasonable out-of-pocket expenses for sending proxy materials to stockholders and obtaining their proxies. In addition to soliciting the proxies by mail and the internet, certain of the Company's directors, officers and employees, without compensation, may solicit proxies personally or by telephone, facsimile and email. The Company has retained Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc. to aid in the solicitation of proxies with respect to shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated stock held by brokerage firms, financial institutions and other custodians, nominees, fiduciaries and stockholders of record for a fee of approximately \$1,000, plus expenses.

#### What are the expected voting results?

The Company expects each of the proposals to be approved by the stockholders. The Board has been informed that J. Frank Harrison, III intends to vote an aggregate of 1,004,394 shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated Class B Common Stock (representing 20,087,880 votes and an aggregate of 70.6% of the total voting power of Coca-Cola Consolidated Common Stock and Class B Common Stock together as of the record date):

- "FOR" the election of each of the 11 director nominees nominated by the Board of Directors;
- **"FOR"** the approval, on an advisory basis, of Coca-Cola Consolidated's named executive officer compensation in fiscal 2022;
- **"3 YEARS"** for the advisory vote on the frequency of future advisory votes to approve Coca-Cola Consolidated's named executive officer compensation;
- **"FOR"** the ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP to serve as Coca-Cola Consolidated's independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal 2023; and
- **"FOR"** the approval of the amendment to Coca-Cola Consolidated's Restated Certificate of Incorporation to limit the personal liability of certain senior officers of Coca-Cola Consolidated as permitted by recent amendments to the DGCL.

#### Where can I find the voting results of the Annual Meeting?

The Company will announce preliminary or final voting results at the Annual Meeting and publish final results in a Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") within four business days of the completion of the meeting.

#### Security Ownership of Directors, Director Nominees and Executive Officers

The table below shows the number of shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated Common Stock and Class B Common Stock beneficially owned as of the close of business on March 13, 2023 by each director, director nominee and named executive officer and by all directors, director nominees and executive officers as a group. As of the close of business on March 13, 2023, a total of 8,368,993 shares of Common Stock and 1,004,696 shares of Class B Common Stock were outstanding. Information about the beneficial ownership of the Common Stock and Class B Common Stock owned by Mr. Harrison is shown on page 9.

Name	Class	Number of Shares and Nature of Beneficial Ownership	Percentage of Class
Elaine Bowers Coventry	Common Stock		*
Sharon A. Decker	Common Stock		*
Morgan H. Everett	Common Stock	(1)	*
James R. Helvey, III	Common Stock		*
William H. Jones	Common Stock	100 (2)	*
Umesh M. Kasbekar	Common Stock		*
David M. Katz	Common Stock		*
Jennifer K. Mann	Common Stock		*
James H. Morgan	Common Stock		*
Dennis A. Wicker	Common Stock	—	*
Richard T. Williams	Common Stock	—	*
F. Scott Anthony	Common Stock	—	*
Robert G. Chambless	Common Stock		*
E. Beauregarde Fisher III	Common Stock		*
Directors, director nominees and executive officers as a group (excluding Mr. Harrison) (18 persons)	Common Stock	100	*

\* Less than 1% of the outstanding shares of such class.

(1) Excludes 535,178 shares of Class B Common Stock held by the JFH Family Limited Partnership—FH1 and 78,596 shares of Class B Common Stock held by a trust of which Ms. Everett is one of the beneficiaries. Ms. Everett has a pecuniary interest in these shares, but does not have voting or investment power with respect to these shares.

<sup>(2)</sup> Held jointly with his spouse.

#### **Principal Stockholders**

The following table provides information about the beneficial ownership of Coca-Cola Consolidated Common Stock and Class B Common Stock as of the close of business on March 13, 2023 by each person known by the Company to beneficially own more than 5% of the outstanding shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated Common Stock or Class B Common Stock as of such date:

Name and Address of Beneficial Owner	Class	Number of Shares and Nature of Beneficial Ownership	Percentage of Class <sup>(1)</sup>	Total Votes	Percentage of Total Votes <sup>(1)</sup>
	Common Stock	1,004,394 <sup>(2)</sup>	10.7%	20,087,880	70.6%
J. Frank Harrison, III,	Class B Common	1,004,394 <sup>(3)(4)</sup>	99.97%	20,007,000	70.0%
JFH III Harrison Family LLC,	Stock	1,004,394	99.97%		
Harrison Family Limited Partnerships and	btoch				
JFH3 Holdings LLC, as a group 4100 Coca-Cola Plaza					
1100 Gota Gota Plaza					
Charlotte, North Carolina 28211		D 40D 16E (5)	20 70/	2 402 465	0.70/
The Coca-Cola Company	Common Stock	2,482,165 <sup>(5)</sup>	29.7%	2,482,165	8.7%
One Coca-Cola Plaza					
Atlanta, Georgia 30313			<b>5</b> D0/		D 40/
Sue Anne Wells	Common Stock	602,568 <sup>(6)</sup>	7.2%	602,568	2.1%
c/o Miller & Martin PLLC					
832 Georgia Avenue, Suite 1200					
Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402					
Deborah H. Everhart	Common Stock	558,348 <sup>(7)</sup>	6.7%	558,348	2.0%
c/o Miller & Martin PLLC					
832 Georgia Avenue, Suite 1200					
Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402					
The Vanguard Group, Inc.	Common Stock	555,587 <sup>(8)</sup>	6.6%	555,587	2.0%
100 Vanguard Boulevard					
Malvern, Pennsylvania 19355					
BlackRock, Inc.	Common Stock	549,440 <sup>(9)</sup>	6.6%	549,440	1.9%
55 East 52nd Street					
New York, New York 10055					

<sup>(1)</sup> A total of 8,368,993 shares of Common Stock and 1,004,696 shares of Class B Common Stock were outstanding as of the close of business on March 13, 2023. The percentage of Common Stock owned by J. Frank Harrison, III shown in this column assumes conversion of all 1,004,394 shares of Class B Common Stock beneficially owned as described below in Footnote 3 that are convertible into shares of Common Stock. The percentages of Common Stock owned by The Coca-Cola Company and the other entities identified in the table that owned more than 5% of the outstanding shares of Common Stock as of the close of business on March 13, 2023 do not assume such conversion has occurred.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(2)</sup> Consists of 1,004,394 shares of Class B Common Stock beneficially owned as described below in Footnote 3 that are convertible into shares of Common Stock.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(3)</sup> Consists of (i) 535,178 shares of Class B Common Stock held by the JFH Family Limited Partnership—FH1, as to which Mr. Harrison has sole voting and investment power pursuant to the terms of the operating agreement for the JFH III Harrison Family LLC (the general partner of the limited partnership); (ii) 78,596 shares of Class B Common Stock held by a trust established for the benefit of certain relatives of the late J. Frank Harrison, Jr., as to which Mr. Harrison has sole voting and investment power; and (iii) 390,620 shares of Class B Common Stock held by the JFH3 Holdings LLC, of which Mr. Harrison is the sole manager and as to which Mr. Harrison has sole voting and

investment power. The members of the JFH3 Holdings LLC and their respective ownership interests are (A) Mr. Harrison: 22.0166%; (B) Mr. Harrison's spouse: 40.6689%; (C) The J. Frank Harrison, III 2021 Family Trust dated October 8, 2021: 9.0711%; (D) The Jan M. Harrison 2021 Irrevocable Trust dated October 7, 2021: 9.0811%; and (E) the Anne Lupton Carter Trust f/b/o J. Frank Harrison, III: 19.1623%. Mr. Harrison disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares of Class B Common Stock held by the JFH3 Holdings LLC except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

- (4) The trust described above in clause (ii) of Footnote 3 has the right to acquire 292,386 shares of Class B Common Stock from Coca-Cola Consolidated in exchange for an equivalent number of shares of Common Stock. In the event of such an exchange, Mr. Harrison would have sole voting and investment power over the shares of Class B Common Stock acquired. The trust does not own any shares of Common Stock with which to make the exchange, and any purchase of Common Stock would require approval by the trustees of the trust. Accordingly, the table does not include shares related to this exchange right.
- (5) This information is based upon a Schedule 13D/A filed jointly with the SEC by The Coca-Cola Company, The Coca-Cola Trading Company LLC, Coca-Cola Oasis LLC and Carolina Coca-Cola Bottling Investments, Inc. on December 10, 2020. The Schedule 13D/A reports that such entities have shared voting and investment power over all of such shares.
- <sup>(6)</sup> This information is based upon a Schedule 13G/A filed with the SEC by Dr. Wells on January 11, 2023. The Schedule 13G/A reports that Dr. Wells has sole voting and investment power over all of such shares.
- <sup>(7)</sup> This information is based upon a Schedule 13G/A filed with the SEC by Ms. Everhart on January 11, 2023. The Schedule 13G/A reports that Ms. Everhart has sole voting and investment power over all of such shares.
- <sup>(8)</sup> This information is based upon a Schedule 13G/A filed with the SEC by The Vanguard Group, Inc. ("Vanguard") on February 9, 2023. The Schedule 13G/A reports that Vanguard has sole voting power over no shares, shared voting power over 8,186 shares, sole investment power over 542,667 shares and shared investment power over 12,920 shares.
- (9) This information is based upon a Schedule 13G/A filed with the SEC by BlackRock, Inc. ("BlackRock") on February 1, 2023. The Schedule 13G/A reports that BlackRock has sole voting power over 538,541 shares, shared voting power over no shares and sole investment power over all of such shares.

# Proposal 1: Election of Directors

The Board of Directors currently consists of 11 members and has no vacancies. On the recommendation of the Executive Committee, the Board has nominated the 11 persons listed below for election as directors at the Annual Meeting. If elected, each nominee will serve until his or her term expires at the 2024 Annual Meeting of Stockholders or until his or her successor is duly elected and qualified. With the exception of Elaine Bowers Coventry, all of the nominees are currently serving as directors and were elected to the Board at the 2022 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. Each nominee has agreed to be named in this Proxy Statement and to serve if elected.

Coca-Cola Consolidated is party to an amended and restated stock rights and restrictions agreement, dated February 19, 2009, with The Coca-Cola Company, Carolina Coca-Cola Bottling Investments, Inc. and J. Frank Harrison, III. Under the agreement, The Coca-Cola Company has the right to designate one person for nomination to the Board, and Mr. Harrison and the trustees of certain trusts established for the benefit of certain relatives of the late J. Frank Harrison, Jr. have agreed to vote the shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated Common Stock and Class B Common Stock that they control in favor of such designee. Jennifer K. Mann has been The Coca-Cola Company's designee on the Board since May 2017, but following her promotion to Corporate Senior Vice President and President of North America for The Coca-Cola Company, effective January 1, 2023, she will not be nominated for reelection at the Annual Meeting. The Coca-Cola Company has designated Elaine Bowers Coventry for nomination to the Board at the Annual Meeting.

Although the Company knows of no reason why any of the nominees would not be able to serve, if any nominee is unavailable for election, the proxy holders intend to vote your shares for any substitute nominee proposed by the Board.

**The Board of Directors unanimously recommends that you vote "FOR" the election of each of the 11 nominees listed below.** Unless otherwise specified, proxies will be voted **"FOR"** the election of each of the 11 nominees listed below.

#### **Director Nominees**

Listed below are the 11 persons nominated for election to the Board of Directors. The following paragraphs include information about each director nominee's business background, as furnished to the Company by the nominee, and additional experience, qualifications, attributes or skills that led the Board of Directors to conclude that the nominee should serve on the Board.

Age	Principal Occupation	Director Since
68	Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Coca-Cola Consolidated	1986
54	Chief Customer and Commercial Officer, The Coca-Cola Company	—
66	President, Tryon Equestrian Partners, Carolina Operations	2001
41	Vice Chair of the Board of Coca-Cola Consolidated	2011
64	Managing Partner, Cassia Capital Partners, LLC	2016
67	Chancellor, Columbia International University	2011
65	Non-Executive Vice Chairman of the Board of Coca-Cola Consolidated	2016
54	President and Chief Operating Officer of Coca-Cola Consolidated	2018
75	Chairman, Covenant Capital LLC	2008
70	Partner, Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP (Retired)	2001
69	Vice President of Corporate Community Affairs, Duke Energy Corporation (Retired)	2017
	68 54 66 41 64 67 65 54 75 70	<ul> <li>68 Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Coca-Cola Consolidated</li> <li>54 Chief Customer and Commercial Officer, The Coca-Cola Company</li> <li>66 President, Tryon Equestrian Partners, Carolina Operations</li> <li>41 Vice Chair of the Board of Coca-Cola Consolidated</li> <li>64 Managing Partner, Cassia Capital Partners, LLC</li> <li>67 Chancellor, Columbia International University</li> <li>65 Non-Executive Vice Chairman of the Board of Coca-Cola Consolidated</li> <li>54 President and Chief Operating Officer of Coca-Cola Consolidated</li> <li>55 Chairman, Covenant Capital LLC</li> <li>70 Partner, Nelson Mullins Riley &amp; Scarborough LLP (Retired)</li> </ul>

#### J. Frank Harrison, III

Mr. Harrison is Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Coca-Cola Consolidated. Mr. Harrison served as Vice Chairman of the Board from November 1987 through his election as Chairman in December 1996 and was elected as Chief Executive Officer in May 1994. He was first employed by the Company in 1977 and also served as a Division Sales Manager and as a Vice President.

Mr. Harrison brings extensive business, managerial and leadership experience to the Board. With over 45 years of experience with Coca-Cola Consolidated, Mr. Harrison provides the Board with a vital understanding and appreciation of the Company's business. His strong leadership skills have been demonstrated through his service as Chief Executive Officer since 1994 and as Chairman of the Board since 1996. He is also the controlling stockholder of Coca-Cola Consolidated and, as a member of the founding family of Coca-Cola Consolidated, maintains a unique position within the Coca-Cola system.

#### **Elaine Bowers Coventry**

Ms. Coventry is Chief Customer and Commercial Officer of The Coca-Cola Company, the world's largest nonalcoholic beverage company, a position she has held since July 2019. Prior to holding this position, she served as Vice President and Director of Commercial Leadership in The Coca-Cola Company's Western Europe business unit from May 2017 until July 2019, as Vice President, Commercial Strategy and Transformation of The Coca-Cola Company from April 2016 until April 2017 and as Vice President, Global Commercial Strategy of The Coca-Cola Company and as Europe General Manager for The Coca-Cola Company's joint venture with Keurig Green Mountain, Inc. from October 2014 until April 2016. Ms. Coventry joined The Coca-Cola Company in 1997 and has held a variety of roles in global and national customer management, shopper and customer marketing, retail design, innovation, and strategic partnership development over the course of her career at The Coca-Cola Company. Before joining The Coca-Cola Company, Ms. Coventry was with Kellogg Company, a global company engaged in the manufacture and marketing of snacks and convenience foods, from 1991 until 1997 where she held positions of increasing responsibility in sales and sales management, including responsibility for the entire foodservice broker network in the United States. Ms. Coventry currently serves as a board member of Enactus, a network of leaders committed to using business as a catalyst for positive social and environmental impact, and as an advisory board member of the LEAD (Leading Executives Advancing Diversity) Network, an organization with the mission to attract, retain and advance women in the retail and consumer goods industry in Europe through education, leadership and business development. She also served as the Co-Chair of the inaugural World Economic Forum Future of Consumption Council.

Ms. Coventry's extensive experience in strategy, marketing, operations, sales, retail design and innovation, as well as her position with The Coca-Cola Company and knowledge of the Coca-Cola system and the nonalcoholic beverage industry, qualify her to serve as a member of the Board. In addition, her commitment to sustainability and social responsibility is valuable to the Company.

#### Sharon A. Decker

Ms. Decker is President of Tryon Equestrian Partners, Carolina Operations, an investment group responsible for the development and operation of a premier sports complex and resort in western North Carolina. Prior to holding this position, she served as Chief Operating Officer of Tryon Equestrian Partners, Carolina Operations from August 2015 to April 2020. Ms. Decker was President of NURAY Media, a multi-media conservation, preservation and restoration company, from January 2015 until August 2015. Ms. Decker served as Secretary of Commerce for the State of North Carolina from January 2013 until December 2014. Prior to that, she was Chief Executive Officer of The Tapestry Group, a faith-based non-profit organization, since September 2004, and Chief Executive Officer of North Washington Street Properties, a community redevelopment company, since October 2004. Ms. Decker served as President of Doncaster, a division of The Tanner Companies. Ms. Decker was President and Chief Executive Officer of the Tanner Companies. Ms. Decker was President and Chief Executive Officer of the Tanner Companies. Ms. Decker was President and Chief Executive Officer of the Lynnwood Foundation, which created and managed a conference facility and leadership institute, from 1997

until 1999. From 1980 until 1997, she served Duke Energy Corporation, an electric power holding company, in a number of capacities, including Corporate Vice President and Executive Director of the Duke Energy Foundation, a non-profit philanthropic organization. Ms. Decker is a director of Culp, Inc., a manufacturer of mattress and upholstery fabrics, and serves on the Board of Trustees of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. She previously served as a director of SCANA Corporation, a diversified utility company, from 2006 to 2013 and from 2015 to 2018 and as a director of Family Dollar Stores, Inc., an operator of general merchandise retail discount stores, from 1999 to 2015.

Ms. Decker brings to the Board a unique and valuable perspective from the numerous executive and leadership positions she has held across a broad range of fields, including non-profit organizations and large public companies. Ms. Decker's diverse executive experience and extensive experience serving on multiple boards qualify her to serve as a member of the Board.

#### Morgan H. Everett

Ms. Everett is Vice Chair of the Board of Coca-Cola Consolidated, a position she has held since May 2020. Prior to that, she was Senior Vice President of Coca-Cola Consolidated from April 2019 to May 2020, Vice President of Coca-Cola Consolidated from January 2016 to March 2019, and Community Relations Director of Coca-Cola Consolidated from January 2009 to December 2015. Since December 2018, Ms. Everett has served as Chairman of Red Classic Services, LLC and Data Ventures, Inc., two of Coca-Cola Consolidated's operating subsidiaries. She has been an employee of Coca-Cola Consolidated since October 2004. Ms. Everett graduated from Southern Methodist University with a B.A. in Communications in 2003, and she is a member of the founding family of Coca-Cola Consolidated.

Ms. Everett's past service to Coca-Cola Consolidated, including experience in the operations of the Company, and her education qualify her to serve as a member of the Board. Ms. Everett's service on the Board also adds to the diversity of the Board in both demographics and perspective.

#### James R. Helvey, III

Mr. Helvey co-founded Cassia Capital Partners, LLC, a registered investment advisor, in 2011 and has served as a managing partner since its formation. From 2005 to 2011, Mr. Helvey was a partner and the Risk Management Officer for CMT Asset Management Limited, a private investment firm. From 2003 to 2004, Mr. Helvey was a candidate for the United States Congress in the 5th District of North Carolina. Mr. Helvey served as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Cygnifi Derivatives Services, LLC, an online derivatives services provider, from 2000 to 2002. From 1985 to 2000, Mr. Helvey was employed by J.P. Morgan & Co., a financial services company, serving in a variety of capacities, including Chair of J.P. Morgan's Liquidity Committee, Vice Chairman of J.P. Morgan's Risk Management Committee, Global Head of Derivative Counterparty Risk Management, head of the swap derivative trading business in Asia and head of short-term interest rate derivatives and foreign exchange forward trading in Europe. Mr. Helvey graduated magna cum laude with honors from Wake Forest University. Mr. Helvey was also a Fulbright Scholar at the University of Cologne in Germany and received a Master's degree in international finance and banking from Columbia University, School of International and Public Affairs, where he was an International Fellow. Mr. Helvey is Chair of the board of directors of Computer Task Group, Inc., a publicly traded information technology solutions and services company, and a director of Verger Capital Management, LLC and Piedmont Federal Savings Bank, and has also served on the boards of Wake Forest University and the Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center. Mr. Helvey was a director of Pike Corporation, an energy solutions provider, from 2005 to 2014, where he served as Lead Independent Director, Chairman of the Audit Committee and Chairman of the Compensation Committee.

Mr. Helvey's experience in international business and finance and executive management and as a director of other organizations brings a valuable and necessary perspective to the Board and qualifies him to serve as a member of the Board.



#### William H. Jones

Dr. Jones serves as Chancellor of Columbia International University, a position he has held since July 2017. Dr. Jones served as President of Columbia International University from 2007 to 2017. Prior to accepting the role of President, Dr. Jones served in senior roles as Provost and Senior Vice President of Columbia International University, where he has also taught since 1990. From 2007 until 2017, Dr. Jones also served as President of the International Leadership Team of Crossover Communications International and as a member of the Board of Trustees and the Finance Committee of the South Carolina Independent Colleges and Universities.

Dr. Jones' demonstrated leadership skills, board experience, academic credentials and success in managing an academic institution qualify him for service on the Board. Dr. Jones' strong character and experience in matters of ethics also qualify him for service on the Board.

#### Umesh M. Kasbekar

Mr. Kasbekar is Non-Executive Vice Chairman of the Board of Coca-Cola Consolidated. Mr. Kasbekar served as Executive Vice Chairman of the Board of Coca-Cola Consolidated from January 2016 until his retirement in July 2020. Mr. Kasbekar has served as a consultant to the Company since his retirement. He previously served as Secretary of the Company from August 2012 to May 2017 and as Senior Vice President, Planning and Administration of the Company from June 2005 to December 2015. Prior to that, he was the Company's Vice President, Planning, a position he was elected to in December 1988.

Mr. Kasbekar has served Coca-Cola Consolidated for over 35 years in various positions in the Company's accounting, finance, distribution, manufacturing, corporate planning and administrative functions, providing him with an essential understanding of the Company's business and history as well as significant knowledge of the nonalcoholic beverage industry. Mr. Kasbekar's years of experience with Coca-Cola Consolidated and his industry expertise make him a valuable member of the Board.

#### David M. Katz

Mr. Katz is President and Chief Operating Officer of Coca-Cola Consolidated, a position he has held since December 2018. Prior to that, Mr. Katz served in various positions within the Company, including Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer from January 2018 to December 2018, Executive Vice President, Product Supply and Culture & Stewardship from April 2017 to January 2018, Executive Vice President, Human Resources from April 2016 to April 2017 and Senior Vice President from January 2013 to March 2016. He held the position of Senior Vice President, Midwest Region for Coca-Cola Refreshments USA, Inc. ("CCR"), a wholly owned subsidiary of The Coca-Cola Company, from November 2010 to December 2012. Prior to the formation of CCR, Mr. Katz was Vice President, Sales Operations for the East Business Unit of Coca-Cola Enterprises Inc. ("CCE") from January 2010 to December 2010. From 2008 to 2010, he served as Chief Procurement Officer and as President and Chief Executive Officer of Coca-Cola Bottlers' Sales & Services Company LLC. He began his Coca-Cola career in 1993 with CCE as a Logistics Consultant.

Mr. Katz's diverse experience at Coca-Cola Consolidated in the areas of executive leadership, finance, product supply, culture and stewardship and human resources, as well as his long-standing service in the Coca-Cola system and his extensive knowledge of the nonalcoholic beverage industry, qualify him to serve as a member of the Board.

#### James H. Morgan

Mr. Morgan has served as Chairman of Covenant Capital LLC, an investment management firm, since February 2015, after previously serving in that capacity from 2001 to 2008. Mr. Morgan also served as Chairman of Krispy Kreme Doughnuts, Inc. (now known as Krispy Kreme, Inc.) ("Krispy Kreme"), one of the most beloved and well-known sweet treat brands in the world, from January 2005 to August 2016, as Chief Executive Officer of Krispy Kreme from January 2008 to June 2014, as President of Krispy Kreme from January 2008 to November 2011 and from April 2012 to June 2014

and as Vice Chairman of Krispy Kreme from March 2004 to January 2005. Previously, Mr. Morgan served as a consultant to Wachovia Securities, Inc., a securities and investment banking firm, from January 2000 to May 2001. From April 1999 to December 1999, Mr. Morgan was Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Wachovia Securities, Inc. Mr. Morgan was employed by Interstate/Johnson Lane, an investment banking and brokerage firm, from 1990 to 1999 in various capacities, including as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Morgan served as a director of Lowe's Companies, Inc., a home improvement retailer, from 2015 to 2020 and was a director of Krispy Kreme from 2000 to 2017.

As the current Chairman of Covenant Capital LLC and a former executive at several major public and private companies, Mr. Morgan provides the Board with significant leadership and executive experience. Mr. Morgan's proven leadership capability and his extensive knowledge of the complex financial and operational issues facing large companies qualify him to serve as a member of the Board.

#### Dennis A. Wicker

Mr. Wicker was a partner in the law firm of Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP in its Raleigh, North Carolina office from November 2009 until his retirement in September 2022. He served as Lt. Governor of the State of North Carolina from 1993 to 2001. Mr. Wicker also previously served as Chairman of the State Board of Community Colleges and as Chairman of North Carolina's Technology Council. Mr. Wicker currently serves on the board of directors of First Bancorp, a bank holding company, and is a member of the Campbell Law School Board of Visitors. Mr. Wicker was a director of Air T, Inc., an air transportation services company, until 2013.

Mr. Wicker's leadership skills, years of high-quality service on the Board, service on the boards of directors of First Bancorp and Air T, Inc. and experience in public service qualify him for service on the Board.

#### **Richard T. Williams**

Mr. Williams served as Vice President of Corporate Community Affairs at Duke Energy Corporation, an electric power holding company, and as President of the Duke Energy Foundation, a non-profit philanthropic organization, from March 2012 and March 2007, respectively, until his retirement in December 2015. Mr. Williams served as Vice President, Environmental, Health & Safety at Duke Energy Corporation from May 2008 until March 2012 and as Vice President, Enterprise Field Services at Duke Energy Corporation from January 2006 until May 2008. Mr. Williams currently serves on the boards of HomeTrust Bancshares, Inc., Atrium Health (formerly Carolinas HealthCare System), Hope Haven, Inc. and The Good Fellows Club. Mr. Williams previously served on the Boards of Trustees of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill from 1999 until 2007 and Central Piedmont Community College from 2014 until 2022 and on the boards of UNC HealthCare System from 2008 until 2012, Greater Charlotte YMCA from 2004 until 2014, the Mint Museum from 2004 until 2014 and Bank of Commerce, Charlotte from 2008 until 2014.

The executive leadership skills Mr. Williams' developed as a long-standing executive with Duke Energy Corporation and his extensive service as a director for a multitude of entities, both non-profit and for-profit, qualify him to serve as a member of the Board.

J. Frank Harrison, III and Morgan H. Everett are father and daughter. Mr. Harrison intends to vote the shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated stock owned or controlled as of the record date for the Annual Meeting by the JFH III Harrison Family LLC and the JFH3 Holdings LLC and a trust established for the benefit of certain relatives of the late J. Frank Harrison, Jr. for the election of Ms. Everett to the Board.

#### **Corporate Governance**

#### **The Board of Directors**

Coca-Cola Consolidated is governed by the Board of Directors and its various committees. The Board and its committees have general oversight responsibility for the affairs of the Company. In exercising its fiduciary duties, the Board represents and acts on behalf of the Company's stockholders. The Board has adopted written corporate governance policies, principles and guidelines, known as the Corporate Governance and Nominating Guidelines. The Board also has adopted (i) a Code of Ethics for Senior Financial Officers, which applies to the senior financial officers of the Company, which include the Chief Executive Officer, the President and Chief Operating Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, the Chief Accounting Officer, the Corporate Controller and any other person performing similar functions; and (ii) a Code of Business Conduct, which applies to the Company's directors, officers and employees. The Code of Ethics for Senior Financial Officers and the Code of Business Conduct include guidelines relating to the ethical handling of actual or potential conflicts of interest, compliance with laws, accurate financial reporting and other related topics.

#### **Documents Available**

Certain of the Company's corporate governance materials, including the charters for the Audit Committee, the Compensation Committee and the Executive Committee, as well as the Corporate Governance and Nominating Guidelines, the Code of Ethics for Senior Financial Officers and the Code of Business Conduct, are published on the investor relations portion of the Company's website, *www.cokeconsolidated.com*. These materials are also available in print free of charge to any stockholder upon request by contacting the Company in writing at Coca-Cola Consolidated, Inc., 4100 Coca-Cola Plaza, Charlotte, North Carolina 28211, Attention: Secretary, or by telephone at (980) 392-8298. Any modifications to these corporate governance materials will be reflected, and the Company intends to post any amendments to, or waivers from, the Code of Ethics for Senior Financial Officers (to the extent required to be disclosed pursuant to Form 8-K), on the investor relations portion of the Company's website, *www.cokeconsolidated.com*. By referring to the Company does not incorporate its website or its contents into this Proxy Statement.

#### **Director Independence**

The Board of Directors determines the independence of its members based on the standards specified by The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC ("Nasdaq"). The Board is not required to be comprised of a majority of independent directors because Coca-Cola Consolidated qualifies as a "controlled company" under the Nasdaq listing standards. Coca-Cola Consolidated qualifies as a controlled company because more than 50% of its voting power is controlled by the Company's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer (the "Controlling Stockholder"). Nasdaq adopted its "controlled company" rule in recognition of the fact that a majority stockholder may control the selection of directors and certain key decisions of a company through his or her ownership rights.

In conducting its review of director independence, the Board, except as noted below, considered all transactions, relationships or arrangements between each director (and his or her immediate family members and affiliates) and each of Coca-Cola Consolidated, its management and its independent registered public accounting firm in each of the most recent three completed fiscal years, including the following transactions, relationships and arrangements all of which are within the Nasdaq independence standards.

Name	Matter(s) Considered
Sharon A. Decker	Ordinary course sponsorship agreements and beverage sales to Tryon International Equestrian Center, an affiliate of Tryon Equestrian Partners. Ms. Decker is President of Tryon Equestrian Partners, Carolina Operations but has no ownership interest therein.
William H. Jones	Ordinary course beverage sales to Columbia International University and affiliates of Columbia International University. Dr. Jones is the Chancellor of Columbia International University.

The Board did not consider transactions with entities in which a director or immediate family member served only as a trustee or director because the Board believes that the nature of the separate relationships the Company and the director or an immediate family member each have with these organizations would not interfere with the exercise of independent judgment in carrying out the responsibilities of a director. The Board also did not consider transactions involving de minimis amounts of ordinary course beverage sales or de minimis amounts of entertainment of directors paid for by employee-directors, executive officers or the Company.

Based on its review, the Board has determined that (i) the following six directors, comprising more than one-half of the Board, are independent: Sharon A. Decker, James R. Helvey, III, William H. Jones, James H. Morgan, Dennis A. Wicker and Richard T. Williams; and (ii) John W. Murrey, III (who retired from the Board, effective May 10, 2022) was independent during the period that he served as a director. The Board also has determined that each member of the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee (see membership information below under "—Board Committees") is independent, including that each member of the Audit Committee is "independent" as that term is defined under Rule 10A-3(b)(1)(ii) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act").

The independent members of the Board meet at least twice each year in executive session without the other directors.

#### **Board Leadership Structure**

The Board does not have a general policy regarding the separation of the roles of Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, or CEO. The Company's Amended and Restated By-laws (the "By-laws") permit these positions to be held by the same person, and the Board believes that it is in the best interests of Coca-Cola Consolidated to retain flexibility in determining whether to separate or combine the roles of Chairman and CEO based on the Company's circumstances at a particular time.

Mr. Harrison currently serves as both the Chairman of the Board and the CEO of Coca-Cola Consolidated. The Board has determined that it is appropriate for Mr. Harrison to serve as both Chairman and CEO (i) in recognition of Mr. Harrison's ownership of a controlling equity interest in Coca-Cola Consolidated and unique position within the Company and the Coca-Cola system and (ii) because it provides an efficient structure that permits the Company to present a unified vision to its constituencies.

In March 2023, the Board reappointed Mr. Wicker to serve as Lead Independent Director. The Lead Independent Director (i) presides over all meetings of the independent directors in executive session, (ii) serves as a liaison between the Chairman of the Board and the independent directors, (iii) has authority to call meetings of the independent directors and (iv) serves as a contact person to facilitate communications between employees, stockholders and others with the independent directors.

#### **Board Committees**

The Board of Directors has a standing Audit Committee, Compensation Committee and Executive Committee. Committee members and committee chairs are appointed by the Board. The members and chairs of these committees are identified in the following table:

Name	Audit Committee	<b>Compensation Committee</b>	Executive Committee
J. Frank Harrison, III			Chairman
Sharon A. Decker	Х	Х	
Morgan H. Everett			
James R. Helvey, III	Х		
William H. Jones	Х		
Umesh M. Kasbekar			
David M. Katz			Х
Jennifer K. Mann			
James H. Morgan	Chairman	Х	Х
Dennis A. Wicker	Х	Chairman	Х
Richard T. Williams		Х	

Each committee of the Board of Directors functions pursuant to a written charter adopted by the Board. The following table provides information about the operation and key functions of these committees:

Committee	Key Functions and Additional Information	Number of Meetings in Fiscal 2022
Audit Committee	<ul> <li>Assists the Board in its oversight of (i) the Company's accounting and financial reporting processes, (ii) the integrity of the Company's financial statements, (iii) the Company's compliance with legal and regulatory requirements, (iv) the qualifications and independence of the Company's independent registered public accounting firm and (v) the performance of the Company's internal audit function and the Company's independent registered public accounting firm.</li> </ul>	4
	<ul> <li>Appoints, compensates, retains and oversees the work of the Company's independent registered public accounting firm.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Reviews and discusses with management and the Company's independent registered public accounting firm the annual and quarterly financial statements and earnings releases.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Considers and pre-approves all audit services, internal control-related services and permissible non-audit services proposed to be performed by the Company's independent registered public accounting firm.</li> </ul>	
	Assists the Board in its oversight of enterprise risk management.	
	<ul> <li>Reviews and, if appropriate, approves or ratifies related person transactions.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Monitors the adequacy of the Company's reporting and internal controls.</li> </ul>	
	Reports regularly to the Board.	
	• The Board of Directors has determined that each of Messrs. Helvey and Morgan is an "audit committee financial expert" within the meaning of the SEC rules.	
Compensation	<ul> <li>Oversees the administration of the Company's compensation plans.</li> </ul>	2
Committee	<ul> <li>Reviews and approves the compensation of the executive officers.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Reviews and approves the compensation of the members of the Board.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Reviews and approves employment offers and arrangements, severance arrangements,</li> <li>retirement arrangements, change in control arrangements and other benefits for each executive officer.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Oversees regulatory compliance and risk regarding compensation matters.</li> </ul>	
	Appoints individuals to serve as members of the Corporate Benefits Committee for the broad-based employee health and welfare and retirement benefit plans sponsored by the Company and receives periodic reports from such committee regarding its significant actions.	
	Reports regularly to the Board.	
Executive Committee	<ul> <li>Assists the Board in handling matters that need to be addressed before the next scheduled Board meeting.</li> <li>Identifies, evaluates and recommends director candidates to the Board.</li> </ul>	1
	Reports regularly to the Board.	

The Board may also establish other committees from time to time as it deems necessary.

#### **Director Meeting Attendance**

The Board of Directors held four meetings during fiscal 2022. Each incumbent director attended, or participated by means of remote communication in, 75% or more of the aggregate number of meetings of the Board and committees of the Board on which the director served during fiscal 2022. Absent extenuating circumstances, each director is required to attend the Company's annual meeting of stockholders. All 11 of the Company's directors participated in the Company's 2022 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, which was held virtually via live audio webcast.

#### **Director Nomination Process**

The Board does not have a standing Nominating Committee comprised solely of independent directors. The Board is not required to have such a committee because Coca-Cola Consolidated qualifies as a "controlled company" under the Nasdaq listing standards as further described under "—Director Independence" beginning on page 16.

The Board of Directors has delegated to the Executive Committee the responsibility for identifying, evaluating and recommending director candidates to the Board, subject to the final approval of the Controlling Stockholder who is also the Chairman of the Executive Committee. Because Coca-Cola Consolidated is a controlled company and all director candidates must be acceptable to the Controlling Stockholder, the Board of Directors has approved the following nomination and appointment process to provide the Company's constituencies with a voice in the identification of candidates for nomination and appointment.

In identifying potential director candidates, the Executive Committee may seek input from other directors, executive officers, employees, community leaders, business contacts, third-party search firms and any other sources deemed appropriate by the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee will also consider director candidates appropriately recommended by stockholders. Ms. Coventry, a first-time nominee for election to the Board at the Annual Meeting, was recommended to the Executive Committee by The Coca-Cola Company, a greater than 5% beneficial owner of Coca-Cola Consolidated.

In evaluating director candidates, the Executive Committee does not set specific, minimum qualifications that must be met by a director candidate. Rather, the Executive Committee considers the following factors in addition to any other factors deemed appropriate by the Executive Committee:

- whether the candidate is of the highest ethical character and shares the values of the Company;
- whether the candidate's reputation, both personal and professional, is consistent with the image and reputation of the Company;
- whether the candidate possesses expertise or experience that will benefit the Company and that is desirable given the current makeup of the Board;
- whether the candidate represents a diversity of viewpoints, backgrounds, experiences or other demographics;
- whether the candidate is "independent" as defined by the applicable Nasdaq listing standards and other applicable laws, rules or regulations regarding independence;
- whether the candidate is eligible to serve on the Audit Committee or other Board committees under the applicable Nasdaq listing standards and other applicable laws, rules or regulations;
- whether the candidate is eligible by reason of any legal or contractual requirements affecting the Company or its stockholders;
- whether the candidate is free from conflicts of interest that would interfere with the candidate's ability to perform the duties of a director or that would violate any applicable listing standard or other applicable law, rule or regulation;
- whether the candidate's service as an executive officer of another company or on the boards of directors of other companies would interfere with the candidate's ability to devote sufficient time to discharge his or her duties as a director; and
- if the candidate is an incumbent director, the director's overall service to the Company during the director's term, including the number of meetings attended, the level of participation and the overall quality of performance of the director.

Diversity is one of the various factors the Executive Committee may consider in identifying director candidates, but the Executive Committee does not have a formal policy regarding Board diversity. All director candidates, including candidates appropriately recommended by stockholders, are evaluated in accordance with the process described above. The Executive Committee will not recommend any potential director candidate that is not acceptable to the Controlling Stockholder.

#### **Board Diversity**

The matrices below summarize the voluntary self-identified gender and demographic background statistics for the Board as of the dates indicated. Each of the categories listed in the matrices below has the meaning as it is used in Nasdaq Rule 5605(f).

#### Board Diversity Matrix (As of March 20, 2023)

Total Number of Directors			11	
	Female	Male	Non-Binary	Did Not Disclose Gender
Part I: Gender Identity				
Directors	3	8	_	—
Part II: Demographic Background				
African American or Black	_	1	_	_
Alaskan Native or Native American	—	—		—
Asian	—	1	_	—
Hispanic or Latinx	—	—	—	_
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	—	—	—	—
White	3	6	_	_
Two or More Races or Ethnicities	_	_		_
LGBTQ+			_	
Did Not Disclose Demographic Background				

#### Board Diversity Matrix (As of March 28, 2022)

Total Number of Directors			12	
	Female	Male	Non-Binary	Did Not Disclose Gender
Part I: Gender Identity				
Directors	3	9	—	—
Part II: Demographic Background				
African American or Black	_	1	_	_
Alaskan Native or Native American				—
Asian	—	1	—	—
Hispanic or Latinx		—	_	—
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	—	—	_	_
White	3	7	_	—
Two or More Races or Ethnicities	—	—	—	—
LGBTQ+			_	
Did Not Disclose Demographic Background			_	

#### **Stockholder Recommendations of Director Candidates**

Stockholders may recommend a director candidate to be considered for the Company's 2024 Annual Meeting of Stockholders by submitting the candidate's name in accordance with provisions of the By-laws, which require advance notice to the Company and certain other information. Written notice must be received by the Company's Secretary at Coca-Cola Consolidated, Inc., 4100 Coca-Cola Plaza, Charlotte, North Carolina 28211 not later than the close of business on the 90th day nor earlier than the close of business on the 120th day prior to the first anniversary of the Annual Meeting. As a result, notice of director candidates submitted by a stockholder pursuant to the provisions of the By-laws must be received not earlier than the close of business on January 10, 2024 and not later than the close of business on February 9, 2024. However, in the event that the date of the 2024 Annual Meeting of Stockholders is more than 30 days before or more than 60 days after May 9, 2024, notice by the stockholder to be timely must be so received not earlier than the close of business on the 120th day prior to the date of the 2024 Annual Meeting of Stockholders is more than 30 days before or more than 60 days after May 9, 2024, notice by the stockholder to be timely must be so received not earlier than the close of business on the 120th day prior to the date of the 2024 Annual Meeting of Stockholders is on the later of the 90th day prior to the date of such annual meeting or the 10th day following the day on which public announcement of the date of such meeting is first made by the Company.

The notice must contain certain information about the director candidate and the stockholder submitting the nomination, as set forth in the By-laws, including (i) as to each person whom the stockholder proposes to nominate for election or reelection as a director, such nominee's name, age, business address and, if known, residence address, principal occupation or employment, the class and number of shares of any capital stock of the Company which are beneficially owned by such person and all information relating to such person that is required to be disclosed in solicitations of proxies for election of directors or is otherwise required by the SEC rules promulgated under the Exchange Act, and (ii) as to the stockholder giving the notice and any Stockholder Associated Person (as defined in the By-laws), the name and address of such stockholder and any Stockholder Associated Person, as they appear on the Company's books, the class or series and number of shares of the Company which are directly or indirectly owned beneficially and of record by such stockholder or any Stockholder Associated Person and any option, warrant, convertible security, stock appreciation right or similar right with an exercise or conversion privilege or a settlement payment or mechanism at a price related to any class or series of shares of the Company or with a value derived in whole or in part from the value of any class or series of shares of the Company, whether or not such instrument or right shall be subject to settlement in the underlying class or series of capital stock of the Company or otherwise (a "Derivative Instrument") directly or indirectly owned beneficially by such stockholder or any Stockholder Associated Person, and any other direct or indirect opportunity of such stockholder or any Stockholder Associated Person to profit or share in any profit derived from any increase or decrease in the value of the shares of the Company, any proxy, contract, arrangement, understanding or relationship pursuant to which such stockholder or any Stockholder Associated Person has a right to vote any shares of any security of the Company, any short interest of such stockholder or any Stockholder Associated Person in any security of the Company (for purposes of the By-laws, a person shall be deemed to have a short interest in a security if such person directly or indirectly, through any contract, arrangement, understanding, relationship or otherwise, has the opportunity to profit or share in any profit derived from any decrease in the value of the subject security), any rights to dividends on the shares of the Company owned beneficially by such stockholder or any Stockholder Associated Person that are separated or separable from the underlying shares of the Company, any proportionate interest in shares of the Company or Derivative Instruments held, directly or indirectly, by a general or limited partnership in which such stockholder or any Stockholder Associated Person is a general partner or, directly or indirectly, beneficially owns an interest in a general partner, and any performance-related fees (other than an asset-based fee) that such stockholder or any Stockholder Associated Person is entitled to receive, either directly or indirectly, based on any increase or decrease in the value of shares of the Company or Derivative Instruments. A stockholder who is interested in recommending a director candidate should request a copy of the By-laws by writing to the Company's Secretary at Coca-Cola Consolidated, Inc., 4100 Coca-Cola Plaza, Charlotte, North Carolina 28211.

#### **Universal Proxy Rules for Director Nominations**

In addition to satisfying the foregoing requirements under the By-laws, to comply with the universal proxy rules, stockholders who intend to solicit proxies in support of director nominees other than the Company's nominees for the 2024 Annual Meeting of Stockholders must provide notice that sets forth the information required by Rule 14a-19 under the Exchange Act.

#### Prohibitions Against Hedging, Short Selling or Pledging

Coca-Cola Consolidated maintains an Insider Trading Policy that prohibits any hedging or short selling (profiting if the market price decreases) of Coca-Cola Consolidated securities by any director, officer or employee of the Company or any of its subsidiaries. Coca-Cola Consolidated's Insider Trading Policy also prohibits any director or officer of the Company, any person holding the position of Manager or higher in the Company's Accounting, Tax or Treasury Departments, or any member of the Company's Audit & Advisory Services Department from using Coca-Cola Consolidated securities as collateral in a margin account.

#### **Policy for Review of Related Person Transactions**

The Company has a written policy and procedures for the review, approval or ratification of any transactions that could potentially be required to be reported under the SEC rules for disclosure of transactions with (i) an executive officer or director of the Company, or any individual who served as an executive officer or director of the Company at any time during the current or prior fiscal year, (ii) a nominee for election as a director of the Company, (iii) a beneficial owner of at least 5% of any class of the Company's voting securities (a "Significant Stockholder") or (iv) an immediate family member of any of the foregoing. The Company's General Counsel is responsible for reviewing any proposed transaction that he receives notice of to determine whether such transaction constitutes a related person transaction that is required to be presented to the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors in accordance with the policy. For any such related person transaction, the General Counsel or his designee must present to the Audit Committee information regarding each such transaction, including all material facts and circumstances relating thereto. Prior to the Company entering into any related person transaction involving a Significant Stockholder, a director, a nominee for election as a director, the Chief Executive Officer or the General Counsel and/or their immediate family members, the Audit Committee at its next regularly scheduled meeting must review the material facts of the transaction and determine whether to approve the entry by the Company into the transaction. Prior to the Company entering into any related person transaction involving any executive officer other than the Chief Executive Officer or the General Counsel and/or their immediate family members, the General Counsel must review the material facts of the transaction and determine whether to approve the entry by the Company into the transaction. All determinations by the General Counsel under the policy will be reported to the Audit Committee at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

The policy includes certain categories of pre-approved transactions. For transactions that are not pre-approved, the Audit Committee or the Company's General Counsel, as applicable, in assessing a transaction with a related person, may consider all relevant facts and circumstances, including, without limitation, (i) the commercial reasonableness of the terms of the transaction and whether the transaction is on terms no more favorable than terms generally available to an unaffiliated third party under the same or similar circumstances, (ii) the significance of the transaction to investors in light of all circumstances, (iii) the materiality of the related person's direct or indirect interest in the transaction taking into account factors such as the importance of the interest to the related person and the amount involved in the transaction, (iv) the materiality of the transaction to the Company, (v) if the related person is a director or a nominee for election as a director or a member of their immediate families, the impact of the transaction on the director's or director nominee's independence under applicable guidelines and regulations and (vi) the actual or apparent conflict of interest of the related person participating in the transaction.

The Board of Directors also forms special committees, composed of independent and disinterested members of the Board, from time to time for the purpose of approving certain related person transactions.

#### **Related Person Transactions**

The Company's business consists primarily of the distribution, marketing and manufacture of nonalcoholic beverages of The Coca-Cola Company, which is the sole owner of the formulas under which the primary components of its soft drink products, either concentrate or syrup, are manufactured. Accordingly, the Company routinely engages in various transactions with The Coca-Cola Company and its affiliates. As of March 13, 2023, The Coca-Cola Company owned shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated Common Stock representing approximately 30% of the outstanding shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated Common Stock and approximately 9% of the total voting power of Coca-Cola Consolidated Common Stock and Class B Common Stock on a consolidated basis.



#### Beverage Distribution and Manufacturing Agreements with The Coca-Cola Company and CCR

The Company has (i) rights to distribute, promote, market and sell certain nonalcoholic beverages of The Coca-Cola Company pursuant to comprehensive beverage agreements (collectively, the "CBA") with The Coca-Cola Company and CCR, a wholly owned subsidiary of The Coca-Cola Company, and (ii) rights to manufacture, produce and package certain beverages bearing trademarks of The Coca-Cola Company at the Company's manufacturing plants pursuant to a regional manufacturing agreement with The Coca-Cola Company. These agreements, which are the Company's principal agreements with The Coca-Cola Company and its affiliates following completion of The Coca-Cola Company's multi-year refranchising of its North American bottling territories (the "System Transformation"), are described below.

**Distribution Agreement with The Coca-Cola Company and CCR**. The Company has rights to distribute, promote, market and sell certain nonalcoholic beverages of The Coca-Cola Company pursuant to the CBA with The Coca-Cola Company and CCR. The CBA requires the Company to make quarterly sub-bottling payments to CCR on a continuing basis in exchange for the grant of exclusive rights to distribute, promote, market and sell the authorized brands of The Coca-Cola Company and related products in certain of the Company's distribution territories. The amount of these payments is based on gross profit derived from the Company's sales of certain beverages and beverage products of The Coca-Cola Company as well as certain cross-licensed beverage brands not owned or licensed by The Coca-Cola Company. These sub-bottling payments to CCR are for the distribution territories the Company acquired in the System Transformation and are not applicable to the territories the Company served prior to the System Transformation or to those territories the Company acquired in an exchange transaction. During fiscal 2022, the Company made sub-bottling payments of \$36.5 million to CCR pursuant to the CBA. The Company accounts for the quarterly sub-bottling payments as contingent consideration.

For more information about the accounting treatment of the quarterly sub-bottling payments, see Note 14 to the audited consolidated financial statements included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for fiscal 2022.

The CBA contains provisions that apply in the event of a potential sale of the Company or its aggregate businesses related to the distribution, promotion, marketing and sale of beverages and beverage products of The Coca-Cola Company. Pursuant to the CBA, the Company may only sell its distribution business to either The Coca-Cola Company or third-party buyers approved by The Coca-Cola Company. The Company can obtain a list of pre-approved third-party buyers from The Coca-Cola Company on an annual basis or can seek The Coca-Cola Company's approval of a potential buyer upon receipt of a third-party offer to purchase the distribution business. If the Company wishes to sell its distribution business to The Coca-Cola Company and is unable to agree with The Coca-Cola Company on the terms of a binding purchase and sale agreement, including the purchase price for the distribution business, the CBA provides that the Company may either withdraw from negotiations or initiate a third-party valuation process to determine the purchase price and, upon this determination, opt to continue with the potential sale to The Coca-Cola Company. If the Company elects to continue with the potential sale, The Coca-Cola Company would then have the option to (i) purchase the distribution business at the purchase price determined by the third-party valuation process and pursuant to the sale terms set forth in the CBA (including, to the extent not otherwise agreed to by the Company and The Coca-Cola Company, default non-price terms and conditions of the acquisition agreement) or (ii) elect not to purchase the distribution business, in which case the CBA would be automatically amended to, among other things, permit the Company to sell its distribution business to any third party without obtaining The Coca-Cola Company's prior approval.

The CBA further provides:

- the right of The Coca-Cola Company to terminate the CBA in the event of an uncured default by the Company, in which case The Coca-Cola Company (or its designee) is required to acquire the Company's distribution business;
- the requirement that the Company maintain an annual equivalent case volume per capita change rate that is not less than one standard deviation below the median of the rates for all U.S. Coca-Cola bottlers for the same period; and
- the requirement that the Company make minimum, ongoing capital expenditures in its distribution business at a specified level.

The CBA prohibits the Company from producing, manufacturing, preparing, packaging, distributing, selling, dealing in or otherwise using or handling any beverages, beverage components or other beverage products (i) other than the beverages and beverage products of The Coca-Cola Company and certain expressly permitted cross-licensed brands and (ii) unless otherwise consented to by The Coca-Cola Company. The CBA has a term of 10 years and is renewable by the Company indefinitely for successive additional terms of 10 years, unless earlier terminated as provided therein.

For more information about the CBA, see "Item 1. Business" in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for fiscal 2022.

Manufacturing Agreement with The Coca-Cola Company. The Company has rights to manufacture, produce and package certain beverages bearing trademarks of The Coca-Cola Company at the Company's manufacturing plants pursuant to a regional manufacturing agreement with The Coca-Cola Company entered into on March 31, 2017 (as amended, the "RMA"). These beverages may be distributed by the Company for its own account in accordance with the CBA or may be sold by the Company to certain other U.S. Coca-Cola bottlers or to The Coca-Cola Company in accordance with the RMA. For prices determined pursuant to the RMA, The Coca-Cola Company unilaterally establishes from time to time the prices, or certain elements of the formulas used to determine the prices, that the Company charges for these sales to certain other U.S. Coca-Cola bottlers or to The Coca-Cola Company.

Under the RMA, the Company's aggregate business primarily related to the manufacture of certain beverages of The Coca-Cola Company and permitted third-party beverage products are subject to the same agreed upon sale process provisions in the CBA, including the obligation to obtain The Coca-Cola Company's prior approval of a potential purchaser of the Company's manufacturing business, and provisions for the sale of such business to The Coca-Cola Company. The RMA requires that the Company make minimum, ongoing capital expenditures in its manufacturing business at a specified level. The Coca-Cola Company has the right to terminate the RMA in the event of an uncured default by the Company under the CBA or in the event of an uncured breach of the Company's material obligations under the RMA or the Company's national product supply governance agreement.

The RMA prohibits the Company from manufacturing any beverages, beverage components or other beverage products (i) other than the beverages and beverage products of The Coca-Cola Company and certain expressly permitted cross-licensed brands and (ii) unless otherwise consented to by The Coca-Cola Company. Subject to The Coca-Cola Company's termination rights, the RMA has a term that continues for the duration of the term of the CBA.

For more information about the RMA, see "Item 1. Business" in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for fiscal 2022.

#### Concentrates and Syrups; Marketing Programs

The Company's agreements with The Coca-Cola Company generally entitle the Company to purchase concentrates and syrups at prices, on terms of payment, and on other terms and conditions of supply as determined from time to time by The Coca-Cola Company in its sole discretion. Coca-Cola Consolidated also has entered into supplemental agreements with The Coca-Cola Company generally providing that The Coca-Cola Company will sell concentrates and syrups to the

Company at prices no greater than those charged to other bottlers party to agreements substantially similar to those between the Company and The Coca-Cola Company.

Coca-Cola Consolidated has an incidence-based pricing agreement with The Coca-Cola Company, which establishes the prices charged by The Coca-Cola Company to the Company for (i) concentrates of sparkling and certain still beverages produced by the Company and (ii) certain purchased still beverages. Under the incidence-based pricing agreement, the prices charged by The Coca-Cola Company are subject to quarterly adjustment as described in the agreement based on the determination of The Coca-Cola Company's incidence revenue and are impacted by a number of factors, including the incidence rate in effect, the Company's pricing and sales of finished products, the channels in which the finished products are sold, the package mix and, in the case of products sold by The Coca-Cola Company to the Company in finished form, the cost of goods for certain elements used in such products. The Coca-Cola Company has no rights under the incidence-based pricing agreement to establish the prices, or the elements of the formulas used to determine the prices, at which the Company sells products, but does have the right to establish certain pricing under other agreements, including the RMA.

The CBA requires the Company to use all approved means and to spend such funds on advertising and other forms of marketing as reasonably required to create, stimulate and satisfy demand for The Coca-Cola Company's beverages and beverage products in the Company's territories. Coca-Cola Consolidated is required to meet with The Coca-Cola Company each year to present its annual and long-range operating, marketing, management and advertising plans, including financial plans showing that Coca-Cola Consolidated has the financial capacity to perform its duties and obligations to The Coca-Cola Company.

Although The Coca-Cola Company has provided Coca-Cola Consolidated with marketing funding support in the past, the Company's bottling agreements generally do not obligate The Coca-Cola Company to do so.

The following table summarizes the significant cash transactions between Coca-Cola Consolidated and The Coca-Cola Company during fiscal 2022:

	\$ Amount (in millions)
Payments made by Coca-Cola Consolidated to The Coca-Cola Company <sup>(1)</sup>	\$1,867.7
Payments made by The Coca-Cola Company to Coca-Cola Consolidated	256.3

<sup>(1)</sup> This excludes payments made by Coca-Cola Consolidated to CCR, a wholly owned subsidiary of The Coca-Cola Company.

#### Amended and Restated Stock Rights and Restrictions Agreement

On February 19, 2009, Coca-Cola Consolidated entered into an amended and restated stock rights and restrictions agreement (the "Amended and Restated Stock Rights and Restrictions Agreement") with The Coca-Cola Company, Carolina Coca-Cola Bottling Investments, Inc. and J. Frank Harrison, III, the Company's Chairman and CEO. In connection with entering into the Amended and Restated Stock Rights and Restrictions Agreement, The Coca-Cola Company converted all of its 497,670 shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated Class B Common Stock into an equivalent number of shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated Common Stock. The material terms of the Amended and Restated Stock Rights and Restrictions Agreement include the following:

- so long as no person or group controls more of the voting power of Coca-Cola Consolidated than is collectively controlled by J. Frank Harrison, III, the trustees under the will of the late J. Frank Harrison, Jr. and any trust that holds shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated stock for the benefit of the descendants of the late J. Frank Harrison, Jr. (collectively, the "Harrison Family"), The Coca-Cola Company may not purchase or acquire additional shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated stock without Coca-Cola Consolidated's consent;
- so long as no person or group controls more of the voting power of Coca-Cola Consolidated than is controlled by the Harrison Family, the Company has a right of first refusal with respect to any proposed disposition by



The Coca-Cola Company of shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated stock other than transfers to a wholly owned subsidiary of The Coca-Cola Company (i.e., any corporation 100% of the voting capital stock of which is owned by The Coca-Cola Company);

- The Coca-Cola Company has certain registration rights with respect to shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated stock owned by it; and
- as long as The Coca-Cola Company holds the number of shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated stock that it currently owns, it has the right to have its designee proposed by the Company for nomination to the Board, and J. Frank Harrison, III and the trustees of certain trusts established for the benefit of members of the Harrison Family have agreed to vote shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated stock which they control in favor of such designee. Jennifer K. Mann has been The Coca-Cola Company's designee on the Board since May 2017.

The Amended and Restated Stock Rights and Restrictions Agreement also provides The Coca-Cola Company the option to exchange its 497,670 shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated Common Stock for an equivalent number of shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated Class B Common Stock in the event any person or group acquires control of more of the voting power of Coca-Cola Consolidated than is controlled by the Harrison Family.

Jennifer K. Mann has been The Coca-Cola Company's designee on the Board since May 2017. Ms. Mann was promoted to Corporate Senior Vice President and President of North America for The Coca-Cola Company, effective January 1, 2023, and she will not be nominated for reelection at the Annual Meeting. The Coca-Cola Company has designated Elaine Bowers Coventry for nomination to the Board at the Annual Meeting.

#### **Other Related Person Transactions**

Coca-Cola Consolidated previously leased the Snyder Production Center and an adjacent sales facility in Charlotte, North Carolina (together, the "Snyder Production Center") from Harrison Limited Partnership One ("HLP"), which is directly and indirectly owned by trusts of which J. Frank Harrison, III, the Company's Chairman and CEO, and Sue Anne H. Wells, a former director of Coca-Cola Consolidated, a greater than 5% beneficial owner of Coca-Cola Consolidated, the sister of Mr. Harrison and the aunt of Morgan H. Everett, are trustees and beneficiaries and of which Ms. Everett, Vice Chair of the Board of Coca-Cola Consolidated, is a permissible, discretionary beneficiary. The lease agreement with HLP was approved by the Audit Committee, a special committee of the Board of Directors, as well as the remaining independent members of the Board who did not have an interest in the transaction. On June 30, 2020, Coca-Cola Consolidated entered into an amendment to this lease with HLP to extend the term of the lease agreement by 15 years from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2035, with an option for the Company to further extend the term for an additional five years. Total payments under the amended lease agreement with HLP were \$0.9 million in fiscal 2022. The first amendment to lease agreement with HLP was approved by the Audit Committee and a special committee of the Board of Directors formed at the time to consider purchase, lease and other alternatives available to the Company in connection with the scheduled expiration of the lease agreement with HLP. On March 17, 2022, CCBCC Operations, LLC ("Operations"), a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into a definitive purchase and sale agreement with HLP, pursuant to which Operations purchased the Snyder Production Center from HLP on such date for a purchase price of \$60.0 million. The amended lease agreement with HLP was terminated in connection with the purchase of the Snyder Production Center by Operations.

Coca-Cola Consolidated leases its headquarters office facility and an adjacent office facility in Charlotte, North Carolina from Beacon Investment Corporation ("Beacon"), of which J. Frank Harrison, III is the majority stockholder and Morgan H. Everett is a minority stockholder. On December 30, 2019, Coca-Cola Consolidated entered into a new lease agreement with Beacon for a 10-year term from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2029, with an option for the Company to renew the lease agreement for two successive terms of five years each. Total payments under the new lease agreement with Beacon were \$3.9 million in fiscal 2022. The principal balance outstanding under the new operating lease as of December 31, 2022 was \$25.5 million. The new lease agreement with Beacon was approved by the Audit Committee and a special committee of the Board of Directors formed at the time to consider purchase, lease and other alternatives available to the Company in connection with the scheduled expiration of the prior lease agreement with Beacon.



Morgan H. Everett, Vice Chair of the Board of Coca-Cola Consolidated, is the daughter of J. Frank Harrison, III, the Company's Chairman and CEO. During fiscal 2022, Ms. Everett received total compensation of \$1,288,201. Ellison C. Glenn, Vice President and Market Unit General Manager of the Central Division at Coca-Cola Consolidated, is the son-in-law of Mr. Harrison. During fiscal 2022, Mr. Glenn received total compensation of \$337,048. The compensation for Ms. Everett and Mr. Glenn was established by the Company in accordance with its employment and compensation practices applicable to employees with equivalent qualifications and responsibilities and holding similar positions. The Compensation Committee, which is comprised entirely of independent directors, reviewed and approved the compensation paid to Ms. Everett and Mr. Glenn during fiscal 2022. Mr. Harrison does not have a financial interest in the Company's employment relationship with Ms. Everett or Mr. Glenn, nor does he share a home with either of them.

A trust of which J. Frank Harrison, III is a co-trustee and the primary income beneficiary and Morgan H. Everett is a permissible, discretionary beneficiary has the right to acquire 292,386 shares of Class B Common Stock from Coca-Cola Consolidated in exchange for an equivalent number of shares of Common Stock. In the event of such an exchange, Mr. Harrison would have sole voting and investment power over the shares of Class B Common Stock acquired. The trust does not own any shares of Common Stock with which to make the exchange, and any purchase of Common Stock would require approval by the trustees of the trust.

#### The Board's Role in Risk Oversight

Management is responsible for managing the risks that Coca-Cola Consolidated faces. The Board of Directors is responsible for overseeing management's approach to risk management. The involvement of the full Board in reviewing the Company's strategic objectives and plans is a key part of the Board's assessment of management's approach and tolerance to risk. While the Board of Directors has ultimate oversight responsibility for overseeing management's risk management process, various committees of the Board assist it in fulfilling that responsibility.

The Audit Committee assists the Board in its oversight of risk management in the areas of financial reporting, internal controls and compliance with legal and regulatory requirements. The Compensation Committee assists the Board in its oversight of the evaluation and management of risks related to Coca-Cola Consolidated's compensation policies and practices.

The Board believes that this division of responsibilities is the most effective risk management approach and that the Board leadership structure supports this approach. With his in-depth knowledge and understanding of Coca-Cola Consolidated's business gained from his more than 45 years of employment with the Company and his position as the Controlling Stockholder and a member of the founding family of Coca-Cola Consolidated, Mr. Harrison is uniquely positioned to lead the Board, particularly as it focuses on identifying and managing the key strategic risks facing the Company. In addition, the Board believes that Mr. Wicker provides leadership and helps guide the Board's independent oversight of the Company's risk exposures through his role as Lead Independent Director. See "—Board Leadership Structure" for a description of the responsibilities of the Lead Independent Director.

#### **Communications with the Board of Directors**

Stockholders and other interested parties can communicate directly with any of the Company's directors by sending a written communication to a director at Coca-Cola Consolidated, Inc. c/o Secretary, 4100 Coca-Cola Plaza, Charlotte, North Carolina 28211. Stockholders and other interested parties wishing to communicate with Dennis A. Wicker, as Lead Independent Director, or with the non-employee directors as a group may do so by sending a written communication to Mr. Wicker at the above address. All communications received in accordance with these procedures will be promptly reviewed by the Company's Secretary before being forwarded to the appropriate director or directors. The Company generally will not forward to directors a communication that the Secretary determines to be primarily commercial in nature, relates to an improper or irrelevant topic or requests general information about the Company.



#### **Director Compensation**

The table below sets forth the compensation paid to each non-employee director who served on the Board of Directors in fiscal 2022. Directors who are also employees of Coca-Cola Consolidated (in fiscal 2022, Messrs. J. Frank Harrison, III and David M. Katz and Ms. Morgan H. Everett) do not receive compensation (other than their compensation as employees of the Company) for their service on the Board.

#### 2022 Director Compensation Table

Name	Fees Earned or Paid in Cash (\$) <sup>(1)</sup>	All Other Compensation (\$)	Total (\$)
Sharon A. Decker	184,600		184,600
James R. Helvey, III	187,900	—	187,900
William H. Jones	181,400	—	181,400
Umesh M. Kasbekar <sup>(2)</sup>	175,000	275,000	450,000
Jennifer K. Mann	175,000		175,000
James H. Morgan	212,700		212,700
John W. Murrey, III <sup>(3)</sup>	62,500		62,500
Sue Anne H. Wells <sup>(4)</sup>	43,750	_	43,750
Dennis A. Wicker	221,200		221,200
Richard T. Williams	184,700		184,700

- (1) The amounts shown in this column represent the aggregate amounts of all fees earned or paid in cash for services as a director in fiscal 2022. In March 2021, the Board of Directors formed a special committee of the Board, composed of Messrs. Helvey, Morgan and Williams (all of whom are independent and disinterested members of the Board), to consider the potential purchase of the Snyder Production Center from HLP. In fiscal 2022, the Company paid each committee member \$6,500 for his consideration of the proposed transaction. These fees are included in this column. See "Corporate Governance—Related Person Transactions—Other Related Person Transactions" for additional information regarding the definitive purchase and sale agreement with HLP.
- <sup>(2)</sup> Mr. Kasbekar also serves as a consultant to the Company. The amount shown in the "All Other Compensation" column represents the fees Mr. Kasbekar earned for the advisory and consulting services he provided to the Company in fiscal 2022.
- <sup>(3)</sup> Mr. Murrey retired from the Board of Directors, effective May 10, 2022.
- <sup>(4)</sup> Dr. Wells resigned from the Board of Directors, effective March 17, 2022.

The elements of compensation for the Company's non-employee directors are as follows:

Basic Annual Retainer for All Non-Employee Directors	\$175,000
Supplemental Annual Retainer for Chairman of the Audit Committee	20,000
Supplemental Annual Retainer for Chairman of the Compensation Committee	15,000
Supplemental Annual Retainer for Lead Independent Director	20,000
Fee for Each Audit, Compensation and Executive Committee Meeting Attended	1,600

The Compensation Committee reviews and approves the compensation of the members of the Board. In approving annual director compensation, the Compensation Committee considers recommendations of management and approves the recommendations with such modifications as the committee deems appropriate.

Under the Company's Director Deferral Plan, non-employee directors may defer payment of all or a portion of their annual retainer and meeting fees. Deferred fees are deemed to be invested in mutual funds selected by the directors from a predetermined list of funds. For fees deferred after 2013, a director may elect to receive a lump sum payment or installment payments as of a designated date or after the director retires or resigns, provided that if the director attains age 79, the lump sum payment or installment payments will be paid when the director attains age 79. The amount of each installment payment is based on the return on the selected investment fund(s) during the installment payment period. Fees deferred prior to 2014 are paid in a lump sum payment if the director's service on the Board terminates prior to age 65. If the director retires at or after age 65, the director may elect to receive a lump sum payment or installment payments of fees deferred prior to 2014, with the amount of each installment payment based on an assumed return of 8% during the installment payment period.

## **Compensation Discussion and Analysis**

This section explains Coca-Cola Consolidated's executive compensation program as it relates to the following executive officers (the "named executive officers") of the Company:

J. Frank Harrison, III	Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer
F. Scott Anthony	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
David M. Katz	President and Chief Operating Officer
Robert G. Chambless	Executive Vice President, Franchise Beverage Operations
E. Beauregarde Fisher III	Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

This discussion includes statements regarding financial and operating performance targets in the limited context of the Company's executive compensation program. Investors should not evaluate these statements in any other context. These statements are not statements of management's expectations of future results or guidance.

## **Executive Summary**

The goals for the Company's executive compensation program are to provide compensation that is:

- competitive to attract and retain appropriate executive talent;
- affordable and appropriately aligned with stockholder interests;
- fair, equitable and consistent as to each component of compensation;
- designed to motivate the executive officers to achieve the Company's annual and long-term strategic and financial goals and to reward performance based on the attainment of those goals;
- designed to appropriately balance risk and reward in the context of the Company's business environment and long-range business plans;
- designed to consider individual value and contribution to the Company's success;
- reasonably balanced across types and purposes of compensation, particularly with respect to fixed compensation objectives, shortterm and long-term performance-based objectives and retention and retirement objectives;
- sensitive to, but not exclusively reliant upon, market benchmarks; and
- responsive to the Company's succession planning objectives.

The Compensation Committee of the Board (referred to as the "Committee" in this section and the "Executive Compensation Tables" section) seeks to accomplish these goals in a way that is consistent with the purpose and core values of the Company and the long-term interests of the Company and its stockholders and employees.

In making decisions about executive compensation, the Committee relies primarily on its general experience and subjective considerations of various factors, including the Company's strategic business goals, compensation survey data and each executive officer's position, experience, level of responsibility, individual job performance, contributions to the Company's corporate performance, job tenure and future potential. The Committee does not set specific targets or benchmarks for overall compensation or for allocations between different elements and types of compensation. However, the Committee does assess whether the compensation for each of the executive officers is within a reasonably competitive range between the 50th and 75th percentiles of companies of similar size and whether any variation above or below the range is appropriate.

The Committee oversees the compensation program for the Company's executive officers with the assistance of senior management. The Committee reviews, approves and determines all elements of compensation for each executive officer.

The following table lists the key elements of the Company's 2022 executive compensation program:

Element	Description	Purpose
Base Salaries	Fixed cash compensation based on position, experience, level of responsibility, individual job performance, contributions to the Company's corporate performance, job tenure and future potential.	
Annual Bonus Plan	Cash payment tied to performance during the fiscal year.	Motivate executive officers to achieve the Company's annual strategic and financial goals.
Long-Term Performance Plan	Cash payment tied to performance over a three-year performance period. The CEO does not participate in this plan.	Promote retention and motivate executive officers and other key employees to achieve the Company's long-term strategic and financial goals.
Long-Term Performance Equity Plan	Incentive awards granted to the CEO with payouts based on the Company's achievement of specified performance goals during the applicable performance period. Awards settled in cash, shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated Class B Common Stock or a combination of cash and shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated Class B Common Stock.	Promote the best interests of the Company and its stockholders by providing the CEO with incentive compensation linked to the Company's achievement of its long-term strategic and financial goals.
Officer Retention Plan	Supplemental nonqualified defined benefit plan providing retirement and severance benefits.	Promote retention of executive officers hired prior to March 2014 with a long-term perspective.
Long-Term Retention Plan	Supplemental nonqualified defined contribution plan providing retirement and severance benefits.	Attract executive talent and promote retention with a long-term perspective.
Supplemental Savings Incentive Plan	Supplemental nonqualified deferred compensation plan enabling executive officers to defer a portion of their annual salary and awards under the Annual Bonus Plan, the Long- Term Performance Plan and the Long-Term Performance Equity Plan.	Promote retention, encourage executive officers to save for retirement and provide retirement savings in a tax-efficient manner.
Other Benefits and Executive Compensation Policies	Premiums paid for long-term disability and life insurance, annual executive allowance, personal use of corporate aircraft, and income and employment tax gross-ups.	Attract and retain executive talent and enhance efficiency.

### Key Elements of the Company's 2022 Executive Compensation Program

### **Determining Executive Compensation**

### Discretion and Subjective Judgment of Committee

The Committee reviews, approves and determines all elements of compensation for the executive officers.

In determining base salaries, annual and long-term incentive targets and all other matters related to executive compensation, the Committee relies primarily on its general experience and subjective considerations of various factors, including the Company's strategic business goals, compensation survey data and each executive officer's position, experience, level of responsibility, individual job performance, contributions to the Company's corporate performance, job tenure and future potential.

#### **Annual Compensation Reviews**

The Committee conducts an annual review of executive officer compensation to determine if changes are appropriate. As part of this review, management submits recommendations to the Committee for review and approval.

Management's recommendations are determined based on an annual compensation review process conducted by senior management, including the named executive officers. This process includes the President and Chief Operating Officer and the Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary meeting with each executive officer's supervising manager to discuss self-assessments completed by each executive officer's supervising manager, comparative compensation data provided by management's compensation consultant and other information relevant to determine whether to recommend any adjustments to such executive officer's compensation. Based on this process, the President and Chief Operating Officer and the Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary make specific compensation recommendations to the CEO and the Vice Chair. The CEO and the Vice Chair review and approve the compensation recommendations for all executive officers, including the named executive officers, before they are submitted to the Committee.

Following a review of management's recommendations, the Committee approves the compensation recommendations for the executive officers with any modifications the Committee deems appropriate. The Committee may also adjust compensation for specific individuals at other times during the fiscal year.

#### Role of Compensation Consultants and Market Analysis

Management retained Korn Ferry to assist with an overall review of the executive compensation program and to provide general advice and counsel regarding various executive and director compensation matters. During the first quarter of fiscal 2022, Korn Ferry completed a comparative study of the Company's executive compensation program relative to peer companies and survey data, which was considered by the Committee in connection with its decisions regarding compensation for fiscal 2022 (the "2022 Executive Compensation Review"). In fiscal 2022, a Korn Ferry representative attended the Committee's meetings and also met in executive session with the Committee.

The 13 peer group companies used for the 2022 Executive Compensation Review were all publicly traded companies similar in size to the Company and in the food and beverage industry. The peer group consisted of the following companies:

Company Name	2021 Net Reported Revenues (\$ in billions)
Brown-Forman Corporation	\$ 3.461
Constellation Brands, Inc.	8.821
Flowers Foods, Inc.	4.331
Keurig Dr Pepper Inc.	12.683
Lancaster Colony Corporation	1.467
McCormick & Company, Incorporated	6.318
Molson Coors Beverage Company	10.280
Monster Beverage Corporation	5.541
Post Holdings, Inc.	6.227
Primo Water Corporation	2.073
Sanderson Farms, Inc.	4.800
The Hain Celestial Group, Inc.	1.970
TreeHouse Foods, Inc.	4.328
Coca-Cola Consolidated, Inc.	5.563
Median	4.800
Average	5.562

Management and the Committee used the Korn Ferry study and other publicly available compensation surveys and data as a point of reference to assess whether the compensation for each of the executive officers was within a reasonably competitive range between the 50th and 75th percentiles of companies of similar size and whether any variation above or below the range was appropriate.

## **Base Salaries**

Base salaries are the foundation of the Company's executive compensation program. They provide a fixed, baseline level of cash compensation based on each executive officer's position, experience, level of responsibility, individual job performance, contributions to the Company's corporate performance, job tenure and future potential. Base salary levels also impact amounts paid under other elements of the Company's executive compensation program, including annual bonuses and long-term performance awards and retirement benefits.

The Committee approved the following adjustments to the named executive officers' base salaries effective March 21, 2022:

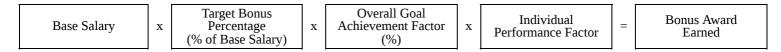
Name	2021 Base Salary	2022 Base Salary	% Increase
Mr. Harrison	\$1,234,033	\$1,271,054	3.0%
Mr. Anthony	\$ 551,578	\$ 568,125	3.0%
Mr. Katz	\$ 865,000	\$ 890,950	3.0%
Mr. Chambless	\$ 673,057	\$ 693,248	3.0%
Mr. Fisher	\$ 603,059	\$ 621,151	3.0%

The base salary adjustments for the named executive officers were in line with the 3.0% target merit salary increase for the Company's senior officers.

### **Annual Bonus Plan**

All of the named executive officers participate in the Company's Annual Bonus Plan. The Company's Annual Bonus Plan provides each executive officer the opportunity to receive an annual cash award based on the achievement of corporate performance goals and individual performance.

The formula for computing annual bonus payouts is as follows:



### Target Bonus Percentage

In the first quarter of each fiscal year, the Committee approves a target bonus percentage for each executive officer, expressed as a percentage of base salary. Target bonus percentages are determined based on each executive officer's position and level of responsibility.



The target bonus percentages for the named executive officers for fiscal 2022 were as follows:

Name	2022 Target Bonus Percentage (% of Base Salary)
Mr. Harrison	100%
Mr. Anthony	75%
Mr. Katz	100%
Mr. Chambless	75%
Mr. Fisher	75%

The target bonus percentages for the named executive officers remained unchanged from fiscal 2021 as a percentage of base salary.

## **Overall Goal Achievement Factor**

The overall goal achievement factor is calculated based on the Company's achievement of annual corporate performance goals determined for each performance measure under the Annual Bonus Plan. The target performance goal for each performance measure was in each case greater than the target performance in the Company's fiscal 2022 operating plan. The following table summarizes the performance measures and related corporate performance goals approved by the Committee for fiscal 2022:

		Performance Goals				
Performance Measure	Weight	Threshold	Target	Maximum		
EBIT	40%	\$410.0 million	\$470.0 million	\$500.0 million		
Free Cash Flow	40%	\$ 75.0 million	\$105.0 million	\$135.0 million		
Revenue	20%	\$ 5.472 billion	\$ 5.672 billion	\$ 5.772 billion		

The Committee selected EBIT, Free Cash Flow and Revenue (each, as defined below) as the performance measures for fiscal 2022 because the Committee believes the Revenue performance measure, together with the profitability performance measures, encourage senior management to grow top-line revenue with a strong emphasis on profitability and generation of free cash flow. While both EBIT and Free Cash Flow measure profitability, EBIT measures the current year's operating profitability, taking into account all cash and non-cash expenses other than interest and taxes. Free Cash Flow, on the other hand, measures the Company's ability to generate sufficient profit to fund spending on equipment and assets as well as changes in working capital which will support the generation of profit in future years. The Committee chose to use both profitability measures to provide a balanced assessment of the Company's current profitability and its ability to sustain profitability over the longer term. There were no changes from fiscal 2021 to fiscal 2022 in the relative weights assigned to the performance measures.

The performance measures are defined as follows:

- "EBIT" is the acronym for Earnings Before Interest and Taxes and means income from operations determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP");
- "Free Cash Flow"<sup>(1)</sup> means the change in long-term debt and obligations under financing leases (both current and noncurrent) net of cash and cash equivalents; and
- "Revenue" means net sales revenue determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP.
- <sup>(1)</sup> Free Cash Flow is a non-GAAP financial performance measure used solely for evaluating the Company's performance in connection with the determination of the amount of incentive compensation earned under the Annual



Bonus Plan for 2022 (the "2022 Annual Bonus Plan"). Non-GAAP financial measures are not an alternative for the Company's reported results prepared in accordance with GAAP.

The Committee also approved the threshold, target and maximum performance goals for each performance measure under the 2022 Annual Bonus Plan. If the threshold goal is not achieved for a given measure, there will be no payout on that measure. Increasingly larger payouts will be awarded for levels of achievement between the threshold and maximum performance goals.

The following table summarizes the payout range for each performance goal:

Performance Goal Achievement	Payout Percentage
Less than threshold	0%
Threshold to target	50% - 99%
Target to maximum	100% - 149%
Maximum and greater	150%

In accordance with the terms of the Annual Bonus Plan, in determining the overall goal achievement factor, the Committee may make adjustments to the actual levels of achievement under each corporate performance measure to ensure that each corporate performance measure reflects the Company's normalized operating performance in the ordinary course of business. In general, these potential adjustments relate to unplanned or unanticipated events and nonrecurring items. Examples of such adjustments would be mark-to-market adjustments required on the Company's hedges for certain commodities such as fuel and aluminum, costs related to supply chain optimization efforts, and facility purchases. In addition, Revenue is adjusted to exclude sales to other bottlers, because those sales are the result of supply chain decisions made by a national product supply group comprised of The Coca-Cola Company and certain regional producing Coca-Cola bottlers (including the Company) and not by Company management. Adjustments to EBIT, Free Cash Flow and Revenue in fiscal 2022 totaled \$3.5 million, \$60.0 million and \$(349.8) million, respectively. The adjustment to Revenue was comprised solely of sales to other bottlers.

The following table reflects the calculation of the overall goal achievement factor for fiscal 2022:

Performance Measure	Weight	Target Performance Goal	Adjusted Goal Achievement	Payout Percentage	Weighted Payout Percentage
EBIT	40%	\$470.0 million	\$644.6 million	150.0%	60.0%
Free Cash Flow	40%	\$105.0 million	\$240.0 million	150.0%	60.0%
Revenue	20%	\$ 5.672 billion	\$ 5.851 billion	150.0%	30.0%
<b>Overall Goal Achievement Factor</b>					150.0%

### **Individual Performance Factor**

The Committee determines the individual performance factor for each named executive officer during the first quarter of each fiscal year based on its subjective judgment of the named executive officer's performance for the prior fiscal year, including consideration of the named executive officer's annual performance evaluation, special projects the executive was assigned during the fiscal year and management's recommendations. The target individual performance factor is 1.0; the maximum individual performance factor is 1.5. For fiscal 2022, the Committee assigned an above-target individual performance factor of 1.45 to each of the named executive officers in view of the named executive officer's successful management of numerous challenges faced by the business during the fiscal year which enabled the Company to achieve above-maximum performance of all of the Annual Bonus Plan goals. These efforts included helping lead the Company through the challenges related to labor shortages, inflationary pressures and supply chain constraints.



## Annual Bonus Calculation

Based on the Committee's determinations as described above, the bonus amounts paid to the named executive officers for fiscal 2022 were calculated as follows:

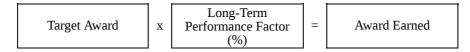
Name	Base Salary	x	Target Bonus Percentage (% of Base Salary)	x	Overall Goal Achievement Factor	X	Individual Performance Factor	=	Bonus Award Earned
Mr. Harrison	\$1,271,054	х	100%	х	150.0%	х	1.45	=	\$2,764,543
Mr. Anthony	\$ 568,125	х	75%	х	150.0%	х	1.45	=	\$ 926,755
Mr. Katz	\$ 890,950	х	100%	х	150.0%	х	1.45	=	\$1,937,816
Mr. Chambless	\$ 693,248	х	75%	х	150.0%	х	1.45	=	\$1,130,861
Mr. Fisher	\$ 621,151	х	75%	х	150.0%	х	1.45	=	\$1,013,252

### Long-Term Performance Plan

The Long-Term Performance Plan delivers a targeted percentage of base salary to each participant based on the achievement of long-term goals of the Company. The Long-Term Performance Plan is offered to the executive officers and other key employees. A three-year performance cycle is generally established each fiscal year for determining compensation under the Long-Term Performance Plan.

The Committee approved the Long-Term Performance Plan to promote retention of executive officers and other key employees, to increase the proportion of their total performance-based compensation and to provide an incentive to achieve the Company's long-term strategic and financial goals.

The general formula for computing awards under the Long-Term Performance Plan is as follows:



## 2022 Long-Term Performance Plan

In the first quarter of fiscal 2022, the Committee established the Long-Term Performance Plan for the fiscal 2022 - fiscal 2024 three-year performance period (the "2022 Long-Term Performance Plan").

The Committee approved target awards under the 2022 Long-Term Performance Plan based on its consideration of each executive officer's base salary, position and level of responsibility, succession planning considerations, the Company's historical grant practices and market benchmark data provided by Korn Ferry. Payouts with respect to the target awards will be made in early fiscal 2025 depending on the Company's achievement of specified corporate performance goals during the three-year performance period.

The following table reflects the target awards granted to the named executive officers under the 2022 Long-Term Performance Plan:

	2022 Long-Term Performa	nce Plan Target Awards
Name	% of Base Salary	\$ Amount
Mr. Anthony	75%	\$ 426,094
Mr. Katz	150%	\$1,336,425
Mr. Chambless	75%	\$ 519,936
Mr. Fisher	75%	\$ 465,863

The target award percentages for the named executive officers remained unchanged from fiscal 2021 as a percentage of base salary.

The long-term performance factor is calculated based on the Company's achievement of corporate performance goals during the three-year performance period. The following table summarizes the corporate performance measures and weights approved by the Committee for the 2022 Long-Term Performance Plan:

Performance Measure	Weight
Free Cash Flow	30%
EBIT	50%
EBIT Margin	20%

The 2022 Long-Term Performance Plan includes Free Cash Flow, EBIT and EBIT Margin (each, as defined below) weighted 30%, 50% and 20%, respectively, as performance measures. The Committee included Free Cash Flow as a performance measure to encourage senior management to focus on the Company's operating efficiency, cash generation and working capital management. The Committee believes the EBIT and EBIT Margin performance measures focus senior management on enhancing the efficiency and quality of earnings along with the profitability from operations. The Committee believes the achievement of goals with respect to all of these measures is consistent with the long-term interests of the Company's stockholders.

The performance measures are defined as follows:

- "Free Cash Flow"<sup>(1)</sup> means the change in long-term debt and obligations under financing leases (both current and noncurrent) net of cash and cash equivalents;
- "EBIT" is the acronym for Earnings Before Interest and Taxes and means income from operations determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP; and
- "EBIT Margin" means the percentage determined by dividing EBIT by Revenue (as defined in the description of the Annual Bonus Plan beginning on page 35).
- <sup>(1)</sup> Free Cash Flow is a non-GAAP financial performance measure used solely for evaluating the Company's performance in connection with the determination of the amount of incentive compensation earned under the 2022 Long-Term Performance Plan. Non-GAAP financial measures are not an alternative for the Company's reported results prepared in accordance with GAAP.

The Committee approved the threshold, target and maximum performance goals for each performance measure under the 2022 Long-Term Performance Plan. The target performance goals are set at a level believed by management to be reasonably achievable. The economic and business environment facing the Company remains challenging and therefore the Company's ability to achieve the target goals under the 2022 Long-Term Performance Plan is uncertain.

If the threshold goal is not achieved for a given measure, there will be no payout on that measure. Increasingly larger payouts will be awarded for levels of achievement between the threshold and maximum performance goals.

The following table summarizes the payout range for each performance goal:

Performance Goal Achievement	Payout Percentage
Less than threshold	0%
Threshold to target	50% - 99%
Target to maximum	100% - 149%
Maximum and greater	150%

In accordance with the terms of the Long-Term Performance Plan, in determining the long-term performance factor, the Committee may make adjustments to the actual levels of achievement under each corporate performance measure to ensure that each corporate performance measure reflects the Company's normalized operating performance in the ordinary course of business. In general, these potential adjustments relate to unplanned or unanticipated events and nonrecurring items. Examples of such adjustments would be mark-to-market adjustments required on the Company's hedges for certain commodities such as fuel and aluminum, costs related to supply chain optimization efforts, and facility purchases.

Awards, if any, under the 2022 Long-Term Performance Plan will be paid in early fiscal 2025 based on the Company's audited consolidated financial results for fiscal 2022 through fiscal 2024 and any adjustments made by the Committee. Consistent with the Company's historical practice of compensating executive officers (other than the CEO) in cash, the awards will be paid in cash instead of equity due to the limited number of shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated stock held by stockholders who are not affiliates of the Company and the limited trading volume of Coca-Cola Consolidated Common Stock.

### 2020 Long-Term Performance Plan

In the first quarter of fiscal 2020, the Committee established the Long-Term Performance Plan for the fiscal 2020 - fiscal 2022 three-year performance period (the "2020 Long-Term Performance Plan"). Awards under the 2020 Long-Term Performance Plan were paid in early fiscal 2023 based on the Company's audited consolidated financial results for fiscal 2020 through fiscal 2022 and the adjustments made by the Committee described below. The awards were calculated as follows:

Name	2020 Long-Term Performance Plan Target Awards	x	Long-Term Performance Factor	=	Award Earned
Mr. Anthony	\$403,594	x	150.0%	=	\$ 605,391
Mr. Katz	\$770,000	х	150.0%	=	\$1,155,000
Mr. Chambless	\$492,480	х	150.0%	=	\$ 738,720
Mr. Fisher	\$441,263	х	150.0%	=	\$ 661,895

The following table reflects the calculation of the long-term performance factor under the 2020 Long-Term Performance Plan:

Performance Measure	Weight	Target Performance Goal	Adjusted Goal Achievement	Payout Percentage	Weighted Payout Percentage
EBIT	50%	\$652.5 million	\$1,394.6 million	150.0%	75.0%
Leverage Ratio	30%	2.37	0.89	150.0%	45.0%
EBIT Margin	20%	4.20%	8.19%	150.0%	30.0%
Long-Term Performance Factor					150.0%

In accordance with the terms of the Long-Term Performance Plan, in determining the long-term performance factor, the Committee made adjustments to the actual levels of achievement under each corporate performance measure to ensure that each corporate performance measure reflected the Company's normalized operating performance in the ordinary course of business. Adjustments to EBIT, indebtedness and net sales that were used to determine aggregate EBIT, average Leverage Ratio and average EBIT Margin totaled \$1.0 million, \$(376.8) million and \$(58.9) million, respectively. In general, these adjustments related to unplanned or unanticipated events and nonrecurring items. Examples of such adjustments included the following: (i) impacts of certain accounting changes made during the performance period, (ii) mark-to-market adjustments required on the Company's hedges for certain commodities such as fuel and aluminum, (iii) costs related to supply chain optimization efforts, (iv) results of extra days during fiscal 2020, (v) consideration paid for the acquisition of noncontrolling interest, (vi) deferred payroll taxes under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act and (vii) the acquisition of certain additional BODYARMOR distribution rights.

# Long-Term Performance Equity Plan

Mr. Harrison participates in the Long-Term Performance Equity Plan. The Long-Term Performance Equity Plan permits the Committee to design and award incentive compensation to Mr. Harrison based on the Company's achievement of performance goals that are reflective of the Company's long-term strategic and financial goals. Awards granted to Mr. Harrison under the Long-Term Performance Equity Plan are earned based on the Company's attainment of performance measures specified by the Committee during a performance period. Mr. Harrison may elect to have awards earned under the Long-Term Performance Equity Plan settled in cash, shares of Class B Common Stock or a combination of cash and shares of Class B Common Stock.

In February 2022, the Committee approved an incentive award to Mr. Harrison under the Long-Term Performance Equity Plan with a target value of \$6,850,000 for the fiscal 2022 - fiscal 2024 three-year performance period (the "2022 Long-Term Performance Equity Plan"). The performance measures and threshold, target and maximum levels of performance and weightings for the award under the 2022 Long-Term Performance Equity Plan are identical to the performance measures and threshold, target and maximum levels of performance and weightings for the award under the 2022 Long-Term Performance Plan described above. The amount of the incentive award earned will be determined by the Committee and paid to Mr. Harrison in early fiscal 2025 based on the Company's audited consolidated financial results for fiscal 2022 through fiscal 2024 and any adjustments made by the Committee.

In the first quarter of fiscal 2020, the Committee approved an incentive award to Mr. Harrison under the Long-Term Performance Equity Plan for the fiscal 2020 - fiscal 2022 three-year performance period (the "2020 Long-Term Performance Equity Plan"). The performance measures and threshold, target and maximum levels of performance and weightings for the award under the 2020 Long-Term Performance Equity Plan were identical to the performance measures and threshold, target and maximum levels of performance and weightings for the awards under the 2020 Long-Term Performance Plan described above. The amount of the incentive award earned by Mr. Harrison under the 2020 Long-Term Performance Equity Plan was calculated as shown in the table below. Mr. Harrison elected to receive the incentive award in cash.

	2020 Long-Term Performance Equity Plan		Long-Term Performance		
Name	Award	х	Factor	=	<b>Bonus Award Earned</b>
Mr. Harrison	\$6,700,000	х	150.0%	=	\$10,050,000

### **Officer Retention and Long-Term Retention Plans**

Historically, the Committee has emphasized retention as a key objective of the Company's executive compensation program. The Company maintains two supplemental retirement plans—the Officer Retention Plan (the "ORP") and the Long-Term Retention Plan (the "LTRP")—for the purpose of attracting and retaining executive talent until retirement and promoting a long-term perspective. These plans are also provided in light of the Company's historical practice of not using equity as a significant component of compensation (except for the CEO). The material terms of the ORP and the LTRP are described on page 50 and beginning on page 52, respectively.

Mr. Harrison ceased accruing supplemental retirement benefits under the ORP when he attained age 60. For participants who continue employment past age 60, the ORP does not provide for any interest or actuarial increase of the participant's fully accrued retirement benefit during the period they continue employment past age 60.

## **Supplemental Savings Incentive Plan**

The Supplemental Savings Incentive Plan (the "SSIP") allows the executive officers to defer a portion of their annual salary and awards under the Annual Bonus Plan, the Long-Term Performance Plan and the Long-Term Performance Equity Plan. The Company currently matches up to 50% of the first 6% of base salary deferred into the SSIP. The Company may also make additional discretionary contributions to participants' SSIP accounts.

In connection with his recruitment by the Company and in lieu of any awards under the ORP or the LTRP, the Committee approved annual discretionary contributions to the SSIP account of Mr. Anthony of \$100,000 for each of fiscal 2019 through fiscal 2023. In fiscal 2020, the Committee approved additional annual discretionary contributions to the SSIP account of Mr. Anthony of \$50,000 for each of fiscal 2020 through fiscal 2023. The annual discretionary contributions are subject to his continued employment with the Company.

Prior to 2006, participants could elect to receive a fixed annual return of up to 13% on their account balances. This election provided participants with an above-market rate of return and resulted in a long-term fixed liability for the Company that was not contingent on its corporate performance. For these reasons, the Committee eliminated the option to receive a fixed rate of return for all deferrals and Company contributions made on or after January 1, 2006. The fixed rate of return option was not eliminated for deferrals and Company contributions made before January 1, 2006. The material terms of the SSIP are described beginning on page 51.

### **Other Benefits and Executive Compensation Policies**

### **Pension Plan**

The Company maintains a traditional, tax-qualified defined benefit pension plan (the "Pension Plan") for certain non-union employees, including certain of the named executive officers. Effective June 30, 2006, no new participants may become eligible to participate in the Pension Plan and the benefits under the Pension Plan for existing participants, including the named executive officers, were frozen. Messrs. Anthony, Katz and Fisher do not participate in the Pension Plan because their employment with the Company began after June 30, 2006. The Company terminated the Pension Plan effective May 31, 2022 and anticipates distributing all Pension Plan benefits to participants in fiscal 2023 after the Company receives governmental approvals of the termination.

### 401(k) Savings Plan

The Company maintains a tax-qualified defined contribution plan (the "401(k) Savings Plan") with a cash or deferred arrangement under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code for substantially all of its employees who are not part of collective bargaining agreements, including the named executive officers. Employee elective deferral contributions to the 401(k) Savings Plan are made, at the election of the employee, on a pre-tax basis or Roth after-tax basis and are subject to contribution limitations in the Internal Revenue Code. The Company currently matches up to 100% of the first 4% of base salary deferred under the 401(k) Savings Plan. The Company may make an additional discretionary contribution equal to 100% of an additional 1% of base salary deferred under the 401(k) Savings Plan. The Company funded all of the discretionary matching contribution for fiscal 2022.

#### Severance and Change in Control

The Company's executive officers, including the named executive officers, do not have employment agreements, but they are entitled to certain payments under the various plans described in this section in connection with a termination of employment or a change in control of the Company. With respect to termination of employment, each executive officer is entitled to certain payments upon termination without cause, voluntary resignation or termination due to death or disability. The terms of the severance provisions are described beginning on page 54.



Change in control benefits are provided to ensure that, in the event of a friendly or hostile change in control, the Company's executive officers will be able to advise the Board about the potential transaction, without being unduly influenced by personal considerations, such as fear of losing their jobs as a result of a change in control.

The Committee does not consider the change in control provisions in determining the forms or amounts of other compensation. The terms of the change in control provisions are described beginning on page 54.

## **Personal Benefits**

The Company provides personal benefits to the named executive officers that management and the Committee believe are reasonable, competitive and consistent with the Company's overall objective of attracting and retaining executive talent. The Committee believes the value of providing these benefits to the named executive officers outweighs the cost of the benefits. The cost of these benefits to Coca-Cola Consolidated is reflected in the "All Other Compensation" column of the 2022 Summary Compensation Table on page 45.

Each of the named executive officers is provided with an annual executive allowance. Each named executive officer has the flexibility to keep or spend the allowance and is not required to report to the Company how the allowance is spent. The Company provides the annual executive allowance to minimize decisions regarding the types of benefits provided, to provide the named executive officers choice and flexibility and to fix the Company's expenses with respect to these types of benefits.

Each of the named executive officers received an annual executive allowance for fiscal 2022. The amount of the allowance was \$45,000 for Mr. Harrison, \$25,000 for Messrs. Katz and Chambless and \$15,000 for Messrs. Anthony and Fisher. These amounts were determined based on the Company's average annual costs of providing historical personal benefits that were replaced by the annual executive allowance, including the costs of income tax reimbursements.

The Company continues to pay long-term disability and life insurance premiums for the named executive officers. In fiscal 2022, the Company adopted an executive health assessment program for its senior management employees, including the executive officers. The program reimburses participants for the cost of an annual comprehensive physical examination. The Company encourages executive officers to participate in the program because it helps participants evaluate their current health and assists them with the prevention, early detection and management of any medical conditions.

The Board requires the CEO to use the Company's corporate aircraft whenever reasonable for both business and personal travel. This benefit increases the level of safety and security for Mr. Harrison and his family. Making the aircraft available to Mr. Harrison also allows him to efficiently and securely conduct business during both business and personal flights and eliminates the inefficiencies of commercial travel. The Board believes that the value of making the aircraft available to Mr. Harrison and his family, in terms of convenience, security and saving time, results in an efficient form of compensation for Mr. Harrison.

Other executive officers may use the Company's corporate aircraft for personal purposes with Mr. Harrison's permission and subject to the oversight of the Committee and the Board. Depending on availability, family members of executive officers may travel on the corporate aircraft to accompany executives on business. There is nominal or no incremental cost to the Company for these passengers.

The Company purchases tickets to cultural, sporting and other entertainment events for business development and network building purposes and to support these activities in the communities in which we operate. Our employees, including the executive officers, may make personal use of any tickets that are not otherwise being used for business purposes. The Company incurs no or de minimis incremental cost in connection with the executive officers' personal use of the tickets, and the Committee believes attendance at these events by our employees, including the executive officers, enhances the Company's profile in the communities in which we operate.

For certain elements of compensation, the Company also pays income and employment tax gross-ups to provide the full benefit of the compensation.



## Tax and Accounting Considerations

The Committee considers the tax and accounting effects of compensation elements when designing the Company's incentive and equity compensation plans. In order to maintain flexibility in compensating executive officers, however, the Committee has not adopted a policy that all compensation must be deductible for federal income tax purposes.

Under Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended by the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017, the Company may not deduct compensation in excess of \$1.0 million paid to "covered individuals" (as defined in Section 162(m) which includes all of the named executive officers). Therefore, compensation in excess of \$1.0 million paid to the named executive officers is not deductible by the Company for federal income tax purposes.

# **Executive Compensation Tables**

The following tables and related narratives present the compensation for the named executive officers in the format specified by the SEC.

## I. 2022 Summary Compensation Table

Name and Principal Position (a)	Year (b)	Salary (\$) (c)	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation (\$) (d)	Change in Pension Value and Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Earnings (\$) (e)	All Other Compensation (\$) (f)	Total (\$) (g)
J. Frank Harrison, III	2022	1,263,042	12,814,543	57,692	553,849	14,689,126
Chairman of the Board and Chief	2021	1,223,631	11,706,365	289,021	326,119	13,545,136
Executive Officer	2020	1,197,590	10,390,506	473,104	405,992	12,467,192
F. Scott Anthony	2022	564,544	1,532,146	—	209,466	2,306,156
Executive Vice President and Chief	2021	548,629	1,279,183	—	204,903	2,032,715
Financial Officer	2020	543,123	648,979	—	204,372	1,396,474
David M. Katz	2022	885,333	3,092,816	—	635,330	4,613,479
President and Chief Operating Officer	2021	844,178	2,866,500	156,250	618,131	4,485,059
	2020	764,346	2,124,208	156,250	308,489	3,353,293
Robert G. Chambless	2022	688,878	1,869,581	22,013	212,231	2,792,703
Executive Vice President, Franchise	2021	669,459	1,705,048	210,437	204,985	2,789,058
Beverage Operations	2020	662,739	1,471,597	279,354	204,985	2,618,675
E. Beauregarde Fisher III	2022	617,235	1,675,147	_	316,306	2,608,688
Executive Vice President, General Counsel and	2021	599,835	1,527,723	_	314,126	2,441,684
Secretary	2020	593,814	1,318,550	—	313,659	2,226,023

# Salary (Column (c))

The amounts shown in the "Salary" column include amounts deferred by the named executive officers under the 401(k) Savings Plan and the SSIP.

# Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation (Column (d))

The amounts shown in the "Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation" column represent (i) for Mr. Harrison, the performance-based cash awards earned under the 2022 Annual Bonus Plan and the 2020 Long-Term Performance Equity

Plan and (ii) for the other named executive officers, the performance-based cash awards earned under the 2022 Annual Bonus Plan and the 2020 Long-Term Performance Plan, as follows:

Name	2022 Annual Bonus Plan (\$)	2020 Long-Term Performance Equity Plan (\$)	2020 Long-Term Performance Plan (\$)	Total (\$)
Mr. Harrison	2,764,543	10,050,000		12,814,543
Mr. Anthony	926,755		605,391	1,532,146
Mr. Katz	1,937,816	—	1,155,000	3,092,816
Mr. Chambless	1,130,861	—	738,720	1,869,581
Mr. Fisher	1,013,252	_	661,895	1,675,147

### Change in Pension Value and Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Earnings (Column (e))

The following table breaks out the amounts shown in the "Change in Pension Value and Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Earnings" column for fiscal 2022:

Name	Pension Plan (\$) <sup>(1)</sup>	Officer Retention Plan (\$) <sup>(2)</sup>	Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Earnings (\$) <sup>(3)</sup>	Total (\$)
Mr. Harrison			57,692	57,692
Mr. Anthony	—	—		—
Mr. Katz	—	—		—
Mr. Chambless	—	—	22,013	22,013
Mr. Fisher	—	—	—	—

<sup>(1)</sup> For fiscal 2022, the present value of Messrs. Harrison's and Chambless' Pension Plan benefits decreased \$228,226 and \$145,388, respectively (primarily due to an increase in the interest rate used to determine such present value). Additional information regarding each named executive officer's accumulated benefits under the Pension Plan is presented beginning on page 49.

<sup>(2)</sup> For fiscal 2022, the present value of Messrs. Harrison's, Katz's and Chambless' ORP benefits decreased \$2,131,710, \$567,344 and \$209,726, respectively (primarily due to an increase in the interest rate used to determine such present value). Additional information regarding each named executive officer's accumulated benefits under the ORP is presented on page 50.

<sup>(3)</sup> The amounts shown in this column reflect the portion of annual earnings on Messrs. Harrison's and Chambless' principal balance under the SSIP that is deemed to be "above-market interest" under the SEC rules. Additional information regarding the SSIP is presented beginning on page 51. The SSIP was amended in 2005 to eliminate the payment of above-market interest on salary deferrals and contributions made after 2005.

# All Other Compensation (Column (f))

The table below describes each component of the "All Other Compensation" column for fiscal 2022. The amounts shown reflect the incremental cost to Coca-Cola Consolidated for each of the benefits.

Name	Company Contributions to Defined Contribution Plans (\$)	Life Insurance (\$)	Tax Gross- Ups (\$)	Executive Allowance (\$)	Personal Use of Corporate Aircraft (\$)	Other (\$)	Total (\$)
Mr. Harrison	53,125	10,668	42,462	45,000	394,254	8,340	553,849
Mr. Anthony	182,179	7,016	3,486	15,000	—	1,785	209,466
Mr. Katz	581,429	6,451	14,366	25,000	3,499	4,585	635,330
Mr. Chambless	145,891	11,905	19,716	25,000	—	9,719	212,231
Mr. Fisher	292,099	4,820	2,602	15,000		1,785	316,306

The following describes each of the benefits reflected in the above table:

<u>Company Contributions to Defined Contribution Plans</u>. The Company makes matching and discretionary contributions to the named executive officers' accounts under the SSIP and the 401(k) Savings Plan and to the accounts of the named executive officers (other than Messrs. Harrison and Anthony) under the LTRP. The Company currently matches up to 50% of the first 6% of base salary deferred into the SSIP. The Company may also make additional discretionary contributions to participants' SSIP accounts. The Company makes matching contributions to the named executive officers' accounts under the 401(k) Savings Plan of up to 5% of each named executive officer's eligible compensation based on the Company's annual performance. The Company's matching contribution is comprised of a 4% fixed component and a 1% discretionary component. The Company funded all of the discretionary matching contribution for fiscal 2022. The amount of the Company contribution to a named executive officer's supplemental benefits account under the LTRP is determined based on the named executive officer's position and level of responsibility, performance, job tenure and future potential, and is specified in an individual participation agreement with the named executive officer at the time the named executive officer commences participation in the LTRP.

**Life Insurance**. The Company pays excess group life insurance and individual life insurance for the named executive officers.

<u>**Tax Gross-Ups</u>**. The Company pays income and employment tax gross-ups with respect to certain long-term disability and life insurance premiums, personal use of corporate aircraft and social security and Medicare tax gross-ups with respect to the increase in vested benefits in the ORP.</u>

**Executive Allowance**. The annual executive allowance is intended to establish an equitable distribution among the named executive officers of the monies previously spent on executive perquisites. Each named executive officer has the flexibility to keep or spend the allowance and is not required to report to the Company how the allowance is spent.

**Personal Use of Corporate Aircraft**. The incremental cost of personal use of the Company's corporate aircraft is calculated based on the average cost of fuel, crew travel, on-board catering, maintenance, landing fees and trip-related hangar and parking costs and other similar variable costs. Fixed costs that do not change based on usage, such as pilot salaries, home hangar expenses and general taxes and insurance are excluded from the incremental cost calculation. If an aircraft flies empty before picking up or after dropping off a passenger flying for personal reasons, this "deadhead" segment is included in the incremental cost of the personal use.

<u>**Other</u>**. Other is comprised of premiums for supplemental long-term disability insurance and the cost of any annual comprehensive physical examination.</u>

### II. 2022 Grants of Plan-Based Awards

		Estimated Possible Payouts Under Non-Equity Incentive Plan Awards			
Name	Plan <sup>(1)</sup>	Threshold (\$) <sup>(2)</sup>	<b>Target</b> (\$) <sup>(3)</sup>	Maximum (\$) <sup>(4)</sup>	
Mr. Harrison	ABP	127,105	1,271,054	2,859,873	
	LTPEP	685,000	6,850,000	10,275,000	
Mr. Anthony	ABP	42,609	426,094	958,712	
	LTPP	42,609	426,094	639,141	
Mr. Katz	ABP	89,095	890,950	2,004,638	
	LTPP	133,643	1,336,425	2,004,638	
Mr. Chambless	ABP	51,994	519,936	1,169,857	
	LTPP	51,994	519,936	779,904	
Mr. Fisher	ABP	46,586	465,863	1,048,191	
	LTPP	46,586	465,863	698,795	
	LIPP	40,580	405,803	698,795	

The following table shows grants of plan-based awards made to the named executive officers in February 2022:

<sup>(1)</sup> Incentive award opportunities were granted under the following plans in fiscal 2022:

ABP 2022 Annual Bonus PlanLTPEP 2022 Long-Term Performance Equity PlanLTPP 2022 Long-Term Performance Plan

The material terms of each plan are described in the "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" section beginning on page 32.

- <sup>(2)</sup> The threshold award amounts shown for the ABP, the LTPEP and the LTPP are equal to 50% of the lowest weighted performance measure under the ABP, the LTPEP and the LTPP was 20%.
- <sup>(3)</sup> The target award amounts shown for the ABP were computed using an individual performance factor of 1.0.
- <sup>(4)</sup> The maximum award amounts shown for the ABP were computed using an individual performance factor of 1.5 and an overall goal achievement factor of 150.0%. The maximum award amounts shown for the LTPP were computed using a long-term performance factor of 150.0%.

### **III. Defined Benefit Plans**

The Company maintains the Pension Plan, a traditional, tax-qualified defined benefit pension plan for certain non-union employees, including certain of the named executive officers. On June 30, 2006, the Pension Plan stopped accepting new participants and the benefits under the Pension Plan for existing participants, including certain of the named executive officers, were frozen. The Company terminated the Pension Plan effective May 31, 2022 and anticipates distributing all Pension Plan benefits to participants in fiscal 2023 after the Company receives governmental approvals of the termination. The Company also maintains the ORP, a supplemental nonqualified defined benefit plan, for some of the Company's key executives, including certain of the named executive officers. In March 2014, the Company stopped granting new awards of supplemental retirement benefits under the ORP.

Name	Plan Name	Number of Years Credited Service (#) <sup>(1)</sup>	Present Value of Accumulated Benefit (\$) <sup>(2)</sup>	Payments During Last Fiscal Year (\$)
Mr. Harrison	Pension Plan	30	1,304,224	—
	Officer Retention Plan	27	12,280,280	—
Mr. Anthony	Pension Plan		—	—
	Officer Retention Plan	—	—	—
Mr. Katz	Pension Plan	—	—	—
	Officer Retention Plan	10	838,906	—
Mr. Chambless	Pension Plan	15	269,115	—
	Officer Retention Plan	17	2,054,560	—
Mr. Fisher	Pension Plan		_	
	Officer Retention Plan		—	_

- <sup>(1)</sup> The amounts shown in this column are equal to the number of years of benefit service for which the executive has received credit under the plans. None of the named executive officers have received benefit credit service under the plans for years of service in addition to their actual years of service with the Company which are as follows: Mr. Harrison—45 years, Mr. Anthony—4 years, Mr. Katz— 10 years, Mr. Chambless—36 years and Mr. Fisher—5 years.
- (2) The amounts shown in this column are the present values of each named executive officer's accumulated benefits under the plans as of December 31, 2022. See Note 16 to the audited consolidated financial statements included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for fiscal 2022 for a description of the valuation method and material assumptions used to determine the present values of the accumulated benefits under the Pension Plan. Each named executive officer's accumulated benefits under the ORP are determined in accordance with the terms of the ORP, as discussed below.

### **Pension Plan**

The Pension Plan is a traditional, tax-qualified defined benefit pension plan. The benefits under the Pension Plan were frozen on June 30, 2006, and since that date no additional employees have become participants in the Pension Plan and no additional benefits have accrued. On June 30, 2006, all participants in the Pension Plan became fully vested in their accrued benefits under the Pension Plan.

Each participant's accrued benefit is determined based on the participant's "average compensation" (as defined in the Pension Plan) as of December 31, 2005 and "years of service" (as defined in the Pension Plan) as of June 30, 2006. As a tax-qualified pension plan, the maximum amount of compensation taken into account for each year under the terms of the Pension Plan is limited by the Internal Revenue Code. In 2006, this limit was \$220,000. On December 31, 2022, the Pension Plan benefit of Messrs. Harrison and Chambless was based on the maximum average compensation permitted by the Pension Plan and provides a benefit value equal to the amount shown in the above table under the "Present Value of Accumulated Benefit" column. Messrs. Anthony, Katz and Fisher were hired after the benefits under the Pension Plan were frozen, so they are not participants in the Pension Plan.

Participants may retire at or after age 65 and receive their full benefit under the Pension Plan. Participants who have not reached age 65 but who have reached age 55 and have at least 10 years of service may retire and receive a reduced retirement benefit. Reductions for early retirement are 7.75% per year for the first five years and 4.00% per year for each additional year retirement is earlier than age 65. Mr. Harrison is eligible to retire and receive his full benefit under the Pension Plan.

Benefits are payable as a single life annuity for participants who are single when payment of their Pension Plan benefit commences or as a 50% joint and survivor annuity over the lives of the participant and spouse for participants who are

married when payment of their Pension Plan benefit commences unless an optional form of payment is elected. Available optional forms of payment are an annuity payable in equal monthly payments over a period of 10 years and thereafter for life, or a 75% or 100% joint and survivor annuity over the lives of the participant and spouse or other beneficiary. Benefits of \$50,000 or less may be distributed in a lump sum. If a participant dies before the participant begins to receive retirement benefits, the surviving spouse will receive the value of a 50% joint and survivor benefit.

The Company terminated the Pension Plan effective May 31, 2022 and anticipates distributing all Pension Plan benefits to participants in fiscal 2023 after the Company receives governmental approvals of the termination.

## **Officer Retention Plan**

The Internal Revenue Code limits the amounts of compensation that may be considered and the annual benefits that may be provided under the Pension Plan. As such, the Company maintains the ORP, which is a supplemental nonqualified defined benefit plan, to provide some of the Company's key executives, including certain of the named executive officers, with retirement benefits in excess of Internal Revenue Code limitations as well as additional supplemental retirement benefits. In March 2014, the Company stopped granting new awards of supplemental retirement benefits under the ORP.

Under the ORP, the named executive officers are entitled to the full amount of their accrued benefit under the plan upon reaching age 60, the normal retirement age under the plan. The amount of each participant's normal retirement benefit is determined based on the participant's position and level of responsibility, performance and job tenure, and is specified in the participant's individual agreement under the ORP.

Participants who terminate employment prior to normal retirement age are eligible to receive a benefit based on their accrued retirement benefit if their employment is terminated due to death or total disability or their vested accrued retirement benefit if their employment is terminated other than due to death or total disability. Participants are also eligible to receive a benefit based on the benefit they would have accrued through age 60 if they are employed upon a change in control. The benefits payable upon death, total disability, severance or a change in control are described beginning on page 54.

Generally, plan benefits are paid in the form of equal monthly installments over a period of 10, 15 or 20 years, as elected by the participant upon joining the plan. The monthly installment amounts are computed using an 8% discount rate using simple interest compounded monthly. However, in the event of death, the benefits are payable in a lump sum, and, in the event of a change in control, the benefits become payable in either a lump sum or in equal monthly installments over a period of five, 10 or 15 years, at the election of the participant.

As of December 31, 2022, the estimated annual retirement benefit payable at retirement for each of the named executive officers was as follows:

Name	Estimated Annual Retirement Benefit (\$)	Number of Years Payable (#)
Mr. Harrison	1,624,991	15
Mr. Anthony	—	
Mr. Katz	359,573	10
Mr. Chambless	294,894	20
Mr. Fisher	—	_

Each named executive officer (other than Messrs. Anthony and Fisher who are not eligible to participate in the ORP because they commenced employment with the Company after March 2014) will be entitled to continue participating in the ORP and earn supplemental retirement benefits thereunder until he attains age 60 as described above. However, no new awards of supplemental retirement benefits will be made under the ORP. All new supplemental retirement benefit awards, including to Messrs. Anthony and Fisher, will be made under the LTRP or with discretionary SSIP contributions, the material terms of which are described beginning on pages 52 and 51, respectively.

### **IV. 2022 Nonqualified Deferred Compensation**

## Supplemental Savings Incentive Plan

The Company maintains the SSIP, a supplemental nonqualified deferred compensation plan, for its key executives, including the named executive officers. The following table provides information regarding the named executive officers' accounts and benefits under the SSIP for fiscal 2022:

Name	Executive Contributions in Fiscal 2022 (\$) <sup>(1)</sup>	Company Contributions in Fiscal 2022 (\$) <sup>(2)</sup>	Aggregate Losses in Fiscal 2022 (\$) <sup>(3)</sup>	Aggregate Withdrawals/ Distributions (\$)	Aggregate Balance at December 31, 2022 (\$) <sup>(4)</sup>
Mr. Harrison	75,751	37,875	(1,506,091)	(7,901)	13,203,212
Mr. Anthony	45,145	166,929	(208,863)		750,888
Mr. Katz	53,098	26,549	(79,106)		632,713
Mr. Chambless	190,736	20,658	(1,076,846)		2,992,908
Mr. Fisher	213,413	18,509	(191,083)	(53,918)	664,397

<sup>(1)</sup> All amounts shown in this column are also reported in the "Salary" column of the 2022 Summary Compensation Table.

<sup>(2)</sup> All amounts shown in this column are also reported in the "All Other Compensation" column of the 2022 Summary Compensation Table.

- <sup>(3)</sup> Of the amounts shown in this column, the following amounts are reported as above-market earnings on deferred compensation in the "Change in Pension Value and Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Earnings" column of the 2022 Summary Compensation Table: Mr. Harrison—\$57,692, Mr. Anthony—\$0, Mr. Katz—\$0, Mr. Chambless—\$22,013 and Mr. Fisher—\$0.
- <sup>(4)</sup> Of the amounts shown in this column, the following amounts were reported in the Summary Compensation Tables of the Company's proxy statements for previous years: Mr. Harrison—\$9,959,338, Mr. Anthony—\$555,602, Mr. Katz—\$485,009, Mr. Chambless—\$1,372,023 and Mr. Fisher—\$367,268.

The Company currently matches up to 50% of the first 6% of base salary deferred into the SSIP. The Company may also make additional discretionary contributions to participants' SSIP accounts.

Participants are immediately vested in all amounts of base salary and bonus deferred by them. The Company's contributions to participants' accounts, other than transition contributions, vest in 20% annual increments and become fully vested upon the completion of five years of service. The transition contributions vested in 20% annual increments from December 31, 2006 to December 31, 2010. All contributions made by the Company become fully vested upon retirement, death or a change in control.

Amounts deferred by participants and contributions made by the Company before January 1, 2006 are deemed invested in either a "fixed benefit account" or a "pre-2006 supplemental account," at the election of the participant. Balances in fixed benefit accounts earn interest at an annual rate of up to 13% (depending on the event requiring distribution and the participant's age, years of service and initial year of participation in the SSIP). Mr. Harrison's balance has earned interest at an annual rate of 6% since the year in which he attained age 60. For Mr. Chambless (the only other named executive officer with a fixed benefit account), the amounts reported in the above table under "Aggregate Losses in Fiscal 2022" and "Aggregate Balance at December 31, 2022" were calculated assuming the maximum annual return of 13%.

Amounts deferred by participants and contributions made by the Company on or after January 1, 2006 are deemed invested in a "post-2005 supplemental account." Balances in pre-2006 supplemental accounts and post-2005 supplemental

accounts are deemed invested by participants in investment choices that are made available by the Company, which are similar to the choices available under the 401(k) Savings Plan.

Balances in fixed benefit accounts and pre-2006 supplemental accounts become payable, as elected by a participant, either upon "termination of employment" or on a date designated by the participant between the year the participant turns 55 and the year the participant turns 70. Balances in post-2005 supplemental accounts may be distributed, as elected by a participant, either upon "termination of employment" or on a date designated by the participant that is at least two years after the year that a salary deferral or other contribution was made and not later than the year the participant turns 70. A "termination of employment" occurs upon the later of (i) a participant's severance, retirement or attainment of age 55 while totally disabled and, (ii) at the election of the plan administrator, the date when the participant is no longer receiving severance benefits.

Balances in fixed benefit accounts are payable in equal monthly installments over a period of 10 or 15 years, at the election of the participant. The monthly payment amount for a fixed benefit account is calculated using a discount rate that is equal to the applicable rate of interest on the account, as described above. Balances in pre-2006 supplemental accounts are payable in equal monthly installments over a period of 10 or 15 years, at the election of the participant. The monthly payment amount for a pre-2006 supplemental account is calculated by dividing the vested account balance by the number of remaining monthly payments. Balances in post-2005 supplemental accounts are payable in either a lump sum or in equal monthly installments over a period of five, 10 or 15 years, at the election of the participant. The monthly payment amount for a post-2005 supplemental account is calculated by dividing the vested account balance by the number of remaining monthly payments.

In the event of death or a change in control, all account balances become payable in either a lump sum or in equal monthly installments over a period of five, 10 or 15 years, at the election of the participant. In each case, the account balances and monthly payments are generally computed in the same manner as described above, except participants are deemed fully vested in their account balances, and, in the case of a change in control, the account balances and monthly payments for fixed benefit accounts are computed using the maximum 13% rate of return and 13% discount rate, respectively. Additional information regarding amounts payable to each of the named executive officers upon a termination of employment, death or a change in control is provided in the following section.

# Long-Term Retention Plan

The LTRP is a supplemental nonqualified defined contribution plan that provides supplemental retirement benefits to the Company's key executives. The LTRP was adopted in March 2014 and all new awards of supplemental retirement benefits since that date have been made under the LTRP and not the ORP.

A participant in the LTRP earns a Company contribution to a supplemental benefits account for each year of employment with the Company through age 60, the normal retirement age under the plan. The amount of the Company contribution for each participant is determined based on the participant's position and level of responsibility, performance, job tenure and future potential, and is specified in the participant's individual agreement under the LTRP. The amount contributed to a participant's supplemental benefits account is invested in investment choices that are similar to the choices available under the 401(k) Savings Plan. The balance of a participant's supplemental benefits account is 50% vested through a participant's attainment of age 51 while employed by the Company and becomes vested ratably for each year of continued employment thereafter through age 60. The balance of a participant's supplemental benefits account also becomes vested in the event of the participant's death or disability or a change in control of the Company. The vested balance of a participant's supplemental benefits account is payable following termination of employment in either a lump sum or in equal monthly installments over a period of 10, 15 or 20 years, at the election of the participant.



The following table provides information regarding the named executive officers' accounts and benefits under the LTRP for fiscal 2022:

Name	Company Contributions in Fiscal 2022 (\$) <sup>(1)</sup>	Aggregate Losses in Fiscal 2022 (\$)	Aggregate Withdrawals/ Distributions (\$)	Aggregate Balance at December 31, 2022 (\$)
Mr. Katz	539,630	(217,066)	—	1,776,446
Mr. Chambless	109,984	(322,444)	—	839,164
Mr. Fisher	258,340	(319,812)		1,444,450

<sup>(1)</sup> All amounts shown in this column are also reported in the "All Other Compensation" column of the 2022 Summary Compensation Table.

# V. 2022 Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change in Control

The table below shows the estimated benefits payable to each named executive officer in the event of the named executive officer's termination of employment under various scenarios or a change in control of the Company. The amounts shown assume termination of employment or a change in control on December 31, 2022. The amounts do not include payments or benefits provided under insurance or other plans that are generally available to all salaried employees.

	Voluntary Resignation or					
Name and Plans	Termination Without Cause (\$)	Termination for Cause (\$)	Death (\$)	Disability (\$)	Retirement (\$) <sup>(1)</sup>	Change in Control (\$)
Mr. Harrison		· · ·				
Officer Retention Plan <sup>(2)</sup>	14,411,990	_	14,411,990	14,411,990	14,411,990	14,411,990
Supplemental Savings Incentive Plan <sup>(2)</sup>	13,203,212	13,203,212	13,203,212	13,203,212	13,203,212	13,203,212
Annual Bonus Plan <sup>(3)</sup>	2,764,543	—	2,764,543	2,764,543	2,764,543	1,271,054
Long-Term Performance Equity Plan <sup>(4)</sup>	16,800,000	_	16,800,000	16,800,000	16,800,000	13,450,000
Total	47,179,745	13,203,212	47,179,745	47,179,745	47,179,745	42,336,256
Mr. Anthony						
Supplemental Savings Incentive Plan <sup>(2)</sup>	600,710	600,710	750,888	750,888		750,888
Annual Bonus Plan <sup>(3)</sup>	926,755	—	926,755	926,755		426,094
Long-Term Performance Plan <sup>(4)</sup>	605,391		1,023,211	1,023,211		821,414
Total	2,132,856	600,710	2,700,854	2,700,854		1,998,396
Mr. Katz						
Officer Retention Plan <sup>(2)</sup>	1,093,750	—	1,562,500	1,562,500	—	2,500,000
Long-Term Retention Plan	1,243,512	—	1,776,446	1,776,446	—	1,776,446
Supplemental Savings Incentive Plan <sup>(2)</sup>	632,713	632,713	632,713	632,713	_	632,713
Annual Bonus Plan <sup>(3)</sup>	1,937,816	—	1,937,816	1,937,816		890,950
Long-Term Performance Plan <sup>(4)</sup>	1,155,000		2,465,475	2,465,475		2,080,475
Total	6,062,791	632,713	8,374,950	8,374,950		7,880,584
Mr. Chambless						
Officer Retention Plan <sup>(2)</sup>	2,080,982	—	2,448,214	2,448,214	2,080,982	3,000,000
Long-Term Retention Plan	713,290	—	839,164	839,164	713,290	839,164
Supplemental Savings Incentive Plan <sup>(2)</sup>	2,992,908	2,992,908	2,992,908	2,992,908	2,992,908	2,992,908
Annual Bonus Plan <sup>(3)</sup>	1,130,861	—	1,130,861	1,130,861	1,130,861	519,936
Long-Term Performance Plan <sup>(4)</sup>	738,720		1,248,561	1,248,561	738,720	1,002,321
Total	7,656,761	2,992,908	8,659,708	8,659,708	7,656,761	8,354,329
Mr. Fisher						
Long-Term Retention Plan	938,893	—	1,444,450	1,444,450		1,444,450
Supplemental Savings Incentive Plan <sup>(2)</sup>	664,397	664,397	664,397	664,397	_	664,397
Annual Bonus Plan <sup>(3)</sup>	1,013,252	—	1,013,252	1,013,252	—	465,863
Long-Term Performance Plan <sup>(4)</sup>	661,895		1,118,711	1,118,711		898,080
Total	3,278,437	664,397	4,240,810	4,240,810		3,472,790

- <sup>(1)</sup> Messrs. Harrison and Chambless are the only named executive officers who have satisfied the age and/or service eligibility requirements for retirement under the plans.
- (2) Amounts shown for the ORP and the SSIP for the named executive officers assume payment as a lump sum as of December 31, 2022. Participants in the ORP and the SSIP may elect to receive payments in equal monthly installments over a period of 10, 15 or 20 years. The amounts of the installments are based on the discount rates specified in the plans.
- (3) Amounts shown for the Annual Bonus Plan (other than a change in control) were calculated using the actual level of achievement of the performance goals for fiscal 2022. Amounts shown for the Annual Bonus Plan upon a change in control were calculated assuming the achievement of target performance goals.
- (4) Amounts shown in all of the columns other than the "Change in Control" column for the Long-Term Performance Equity Plan and the Long-Term Performance Plan were calculated using the actual level of achievement of the performance goals for the fiscal 2020 fiscal 2022 performance period and assuming the achievement of target performance goals for the three-year performance periods ending in fiscal 2023 and fiscal 2024. Amounts shown in the "Change in Control" column for the Long-Term Performance Equity Plan and the Long-Term Performance Plan were calculated assuming the achievement of target performance goals for the three-year performance periods ending in fiscal 2022, fiscal 2023 and fiscal 2024. The amounts for the three-year performance periods ending in fiscal 2023 and fiscal 2024 were prorated for the portion of the performance periods the executive was employed prior to the date of the triggering event.

None of the Company's executive officers, including the named executive officers, have any special employment or severance agreements. The executive officers are entitled, however, to certain payments (as illustrated in the above table) under the terms of the Company's existing compensation and benefit plans in connection with the termination of their employment or a change in control of the Company. The following narrative describes the terms of those plans as they relate to a termination of employment or a change in control.

# **Officer Retention Plan**

The ORP, the material terms of which are described on page 50, contains special provisions for severance, death, total disability or a change in control.

In the event of death or total disability, each participant becomes fully vested in the amount of the participant's accrued benefit under the ORP.

Upon termination without cause or voluntary resignation, each participant's accrued benefit is 50% vested until age 51, with the vesting percentage increasing by 5% each year beginning at age 51 until fully vested at age 60. All rights to any benefits under the ORP are forfeited if a participant is terminated for cause.

In the event of a "change in control" of the Company, each participant is entitled to an amount equal to the normal retirement benefit otherwise payable to the participant at age 60 under the ORP. A "change in control" occurs under the ORP:

- (i) when a person or group other than the Harrison Family acquires shares of the Company's capital stock having the voting power to designate a majority of the Board;
- (ii) when a person or group other than the Harrison Family acquires or possesses shares of the Company's capital stock having power to cast (A) more than 20% of the votes regarding the election of the Board and (B) a greater percentage of the votes regarding the election of the Board than the shares owned by the Harrison Family;



- (iii) upon the sale or disposition of all or substantially all of the Company's assets and the assets of the Company's subsidiaries outside the ordinary course of business other than to a person or group controlled by the Company or the Harrison Family; or
- (iv) upon a merger or consolidation of the Company with another entity where the Company is not the surviving entity.

The death benefit under the ORP is payable in a lump sum. The other severance and change in control benefits are payable in equal monthly installments over a period of 10, 15 or 20 years, as elected by the participant. The amount of each monthly installment is computed using an 8% discount rate using simple interest compounded annually. The change in control benefit is also payable in a lump sum, at the election of the participant.

Under the ORP, each participant has generally agreed not to compete with the Company for three years after termination from employment for any reason. The non-compete provision does not apply to actions occurring after both a termination of employment and a change in control of the Company.

#### Supplemental Savings Incentive Plan and Long-Term Retention Plan

The SSIP and the LTRP also provide for the payment of the named executive officers' vested account balances upon termination of employment, death or a change in control. A "termination of employment" occurs under the SSIP upon a participant's severance, retirement or attainment of age 55 while totally disabled. A "termination of employment" occurs under the LTRP upon a participant's severance other than for cause, retirement or total disability. The definition of a "change in control" is the same definition used for the ORP, as described above. The material terms of the SSIP and the LTRP, including when account balances become vested and the options to receive lump sum or installment payments, are described beginning on pages 51 and 52, respectively.

#### **Annual Bonus Plan**

The Annual Bonus Plan, the material terms of which are described beginning on page 35, provides for certain payments to the named executive officers in the event of a termination of their employment or a change in control of the Company.

In the event of the total disability, retirement or death of a participant during any fiscal year, the participant (or the participant's estate) is entitled to a pro-rata bonus based on the portion of the fiscal year completed by the participant and the actual overall goal achievement factor attained for that year.

In the event of a "change in control," each participant is entitled to a pro-rata portion of the participant's target award under the Annual Bonus Plan, based on the portion of the fiscal year completed.

The term "retirement" is defined in the Annual Bonus Plan as a participant's termination of employment other than on account of death and (i) after attaining age 60, (ii) after attaining age 55 and completing 20 years of service or (iii) as the result of total disability. The definition of a "change in control" is the same definition used for the ORP, as described above.

### Long-Term Performance Plan

The Long-Term Performance Plan, the material terms of which are described beginning on page 38, also provides for certain payments to the named executive officers in the event of a termination of their employment or a change in control of the Company.

In the event of the total disability, retirement or death of a participant after the completion of the first year of a performance period but prior to the end of a performance period, and in the event of the subsequent attainment of the performance goals applicable to such participant, the participant (or the participant's estate) is entitled to a pro-rata award based on the portion of the performance period completed by the participant.

In the event of a "change in control," each participant is entitled to a pro-rata portion of the participant's target award for the performance period, based on the portion of the performance period completed.



The definition of "retirement" is the same definition used for the Annual Bonus Plan, as described above. The definition of a "change in control" is the same definition used for the ORP, as described above.

## Long-Term Performance Equity Plan

The Long-Term Performance Equity Plan, the material terms of which are described on page 41, also provides for certain payments to Mr. Harrison in the event of a termination of his employment or a change in control of the Company.

In the event of Mr. Harrison's total disability, retirement or death after the completion of the first year of a performance period but prior to the end of a performance period, and in the event of the subsequent attainment of the performance goals applicable to him, Mr. Harrison (or his estate) is entitled to a pro-rata award based on the portion of the performance period completed by him.

In the event of a "change in control," Mr. Harrison is entitled to a pro-rata portion of his target award for the performance period, based on the portion of the performance period completed.

The definition of "retirement" is the same definition used for the Annual Bonus Plan, as described above. The definition of a "change in control" is the same definition used for the ORP, as described above.

### VI. Pay Ratio Disclosure

The SEC rules require the Company to disclose annually (i) the median annual total compensation of all employees of the Company (excluding Mr. Harrison, the Company's principal executive officer); (ii) the annual total compensation of Mr. Harrison; and (iii) the ratio of Mr. Harrison's annual total compensation to the median annual total compensation of all employees of the Company (excluding Mr. Harrison).

Based on the methodology and material assumptions described below, the Company has estimated these amounts to be as follows:

Median annual total compensation of all employees (excluding Mr. Harrison)	\$ 71,131
Annual total compensation of Mr. Harrison	\$14,689,126
Ratio of Mr. Harrison's annual total compensation to the median annual total compensation of all other employees	207:1

The SEC rules permit a company to identify the median paid employee once every three years as long as there has been no change in the company's employee population or compensation arrangements that would result in a significant change to its pay ratio disclosure. Because the Company has not had any employee population or compensation changes that the Company believes would significantly affect its pay ratio disclosure, the Company used the same median employee identified in fiscal 2020 to determine the median annual total compensation of all employees (excluding Mr. Harrison) for fiscal 2022. To determine the median employee in fiscal 2020, the Company compiled a list of all employees (excluding Mr. Harrison) as of December 15, 2020, sorted the list of employees by their taxable compensation for federal income tax purposes from the Company's payroll records for the 12-month period ended December 31, 2020 and selected the employees on the list who were not employed for the full year and did not include the value of non-taxable Company-provided benefits such as retirement plan contributions and medical and life insurance benefits. As of December 31, 2022, the Company had 16,747 employees.

The annual total compensation of Mr. Harrison is the total amount of his compensation presented in the 2022 Summary Compensation Table on page 45. The Company determined the annual total compensation of the median employee shown above using the same rules applicable to the completion of the 2022 Summary Compensation Table for Mr. Harrison and the other named executive officers.



					Value of Initial Fixed \$100 Investment Based On:			
Year (a)	Summary Compensation Table Total for PEO (\$) (b)	Compensation Actually Paid to PEO (\$) (C)	Average Summary Compensation Table Total for Non-PEO Named Executive Officers (\$) (d)	Average Compensation Actually Paid to Non-PEO Named Executive Officers (\$) (e)	Total Shareholder Return (\$) (f)	Peer Group Shareholder Return (\$) (g)	Net Income (in thousands) (\$) (h)	EBIT (in thousands) (\$) (i)
2022	14,689,126	14,689,126	3,080,256	3,219,288	182.03	128.89	430,158	641,047
2021	13,545,136	13,512,275	2,937,129	2,982,161	219.54	121.35	189,580	439,171
2020	12,467,192	12,280,332	2,398,616	2,400,346	94.12	106.26	172,493	313,378

### Compensation Actually Paid to PEO (Column (c))

The amount reported for each year in column (c) is equal to (i) the amount reported in column (b) for J. Frank Harrison, III, Coca-Cola Consolidated's principal executive officer ("PEO") for each of the covered years, *minus* (ii) the aggregate change in the present value of Mr. Harrison's benefits under the Pension Plan and the ORP during the covered year *plus* (iii) the aggregate value of Mr. Harrison's benefits under the Pension Plan and the ORP during the covered year. Mr. Harrison fully accrued his benefit under the ORP prior to 2020 and benefit accruals under the Pension Plan were frozen in 2006. Therefore, there were no service costs for benefit accruals by Mr. Harrison under the ORP or the Pension Plan during the covered years. Mr. Harrison did not receive any stock or option awards during the covered years.

The following table provides information regarding the calculation for the Compensation Actually Paid ("CAP") to Mr. Harrison for fiscal years 2022, 2021 and 2020:

Year	Summary Compensation Table Total for PEO (\$)	Deduct Aggregate Change in Actual Present Value in Pension Plan & ORP (\$)	Add Service Costs & Prior Service Costs for ORP Plan (\$)	Compensation Actually Paid to PEO (\$)
2022	14,689,126		_	14,689,126
2021	13,545,136	32,861	—	13,512,275
2020	12,467,192	186,860	—	12,280,332

### Average Compensation Actually Paid to Non-PEO Named Executive Officers (Column (e))

The amount reported for each year in column (e) is equal to (i) the amount reported in column (d) for F. Scott Anthony, David M. Katz, Robert G. Chambless and E. Beauregarde Fisher III, the non-PEO named executive officers for each of the covered years, *minus* (ii) average of the aggregate change in the present values of their benefits under the Pension Plan and the ORP during the covered year *plus* (iii) average of the aggregate value of their benefits under the Pension Plan and the ORP attributable to their service during the covered year. Benefit accruals under the Pension Plan were frozen in 2006. Therefore, there were no service costs for benefit accruals by the non-PEO named executive officers under the Pension Plan during the covered years. None of the non-PEO named executive officers received any stock or option awards during the covered years.

The following table provides information regarding the calculation for the CAP to the non-PEO named executive officers for fiscal years 2022, 2021 and 2020:

Year	Average Summary Compensation Table Total for Non-PEO Named Executive Officers (\$)	Deduct Average of the Aggregate Change in Actual Present Value in Pension Plan & ORP (\$)	Add Average Service Costs & Prior Service Costs for ORP (\$)	Average Compensation Actually Paid to Non-PEO Named Executive Officers (\$)
2022	3,080,256		139,032	3,219,288
2021	2,937,129	85,045	130,076	2,982,161

#### Total Shareholder Return (Column (f))

The amounts shown in column (f) assume \$100 was invested on January 1, 2020 in Coca-Cola Consolidated Common Stock, and that all dividends were reinvested on a quarterly basis.

### Peer Group Shareholder Return (Column (g))

The amounts shown in column (g) assume \$100 was invested on January 1, 2020 in each of the companies in a peer group comprised of Keurig Dr Pepper Inc., National Beverage Corp., The Coca-Cola Company, Primo Water Corporation (f/k/a Cott Corporation) and PepsiCo, Inc., and that all dividends were reinvested on a quarterly basis. The returns for the companies included in the peer group have been weighted on the basis of the total market capitalization for each company.

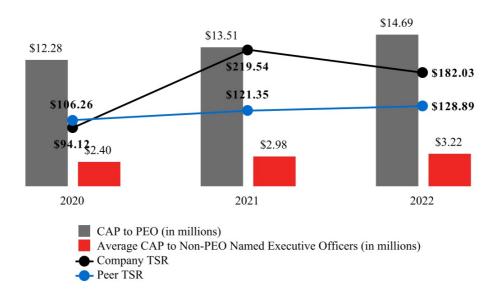
### EBIT (Column (i))

"EBIT" is the acronym for Earnings Before Interest and Taxes and means income from operations determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP. EBIT is the highest weighted financial metric to determine payouts under Coca-Cola Consolidated's annual and long-term incentive plans.

## Pay Versus Performance Descriptive Disclosure

# **Relationship between CAP and Total Shareholder Return**

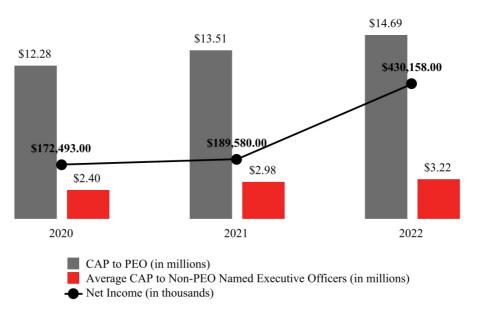
The graph below reflects the relationship between the PEO and average non-PEO named executive officer CAP and the Company's cumulative indexed total shareholder return (TSR) (assuming an initial fixed investment of \$100 on January 1, 2020) for fiscal years 2020, 2021 and 2022:



CAP vs Company TSR

# Relationship between Compensation Actually Paid and Net Income

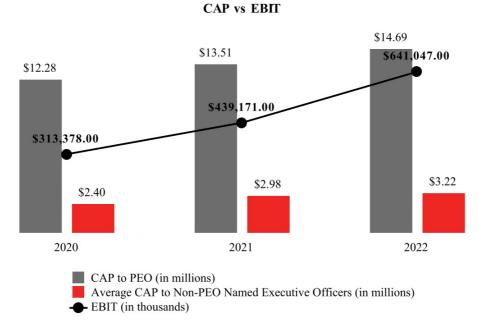
The graph below reflects the relationship between the PEO and average non-PEO named executive officer CAP and the Company's net income for fiscal years 2020, 2021 and 2022:





# **Relationship between Compensation Actually Paid and EBIT**

The graph below reflects the relationship between the PEO and average non-PEO named executive officer CAP and the Company's EBIT for fiscal years 2020, 2021 and 2022:



#### Tabular List of Performance Measures

#### **Most Important Performance Measures**

1	EBIT
2	EBIT Margin
3	Free Cash Flow
4	Revenue

# **Equity Compensation Plan Information**

The following table provides information as of December 31, 2022, concerning the Company's outstanding equity compensation arrangements as of that date:

			Number of Securities
Plan Category	Number of Securities to be Issued Upon Exercise of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights (#) (a)	Weighted-Average Exercise Price of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights (\$) (b)	Remaining Available for Future Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans (Excluding Securities Reflected in Column (a)) (#) (c)
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders			300,000 (1)
Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders		—	—
Total			<b>300,000</b> <sup>(1)</sup>

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents 300,000 shares of Coca-Cola Consolidated Class B Common Stock reserved for issuance pursuant to awards that may be made in the future under the Long-Term Performance Equity Plan.

# **Consideration of Risk Related to Compensation Programs**

The Company has considered its compensation policies and practices for all employees and determined that any risks arising from such policies and practices are not reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on Coca-Cola Consolidated. As described in the "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" section beginning on page 32, the Compensation Committee and management have designed Coca-Cola Consolidated's executive compensation program to achieve a number of goals, including the following:

- Motivating the executive officers to achieve Coca-Cola Consolidated's annual and long-term strategic and financial goals and rewarding performance based on the attainment of those goals;
- Appropriately balancing risk and reward in the context of the Company's business environment and long-range business plans;
- Being affordable and appropriately aligned with stockholder interests; and
- Being reasonably balanced across types and purposes of compensation, particularly with respect to fixed compensation objectives, short-term and long-term performance-based objectives and retention and retirement objectives.

In light of these goals, the Compensation Committee, senior management and human resources personnel considered risk as they designed the various elements of the Company's compensation programs.

The Company notes the following factors with respect to the determination that any risks arising from the compensation policies and practices are not reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on Coca-Cola Consolidated:

- The belief that the Company's compensation programs are reasonably balanced across types of compensation and the various objectives they are designed to reward;
- While Coca-Cola Consolidated does not engage in compensation benchmarking, the Company does retain a compensation consultant to conduct comparative studies of the Company's executive compensation relative to peer companies and survey data;
- The Annual Bonus Plan, the Long-Term Performance Plan and the Long-Term Performance Equity Plan provide for payouts based on the achievement of key financial goals under Coca-Cola Consolidated's annual and long-range strategic plan and provide for increased payout as financial performance increases and less or no payout as financial performance decreases. Awards under these plans do not provide for payouts based on individual transactions that could transfer liability to Coca-Cola Consolidated beyond the award date;
- The specific corporate performance goals for the Annual Bonus Plan, the Long-Term Performance Plan and the Long-Term Performance Equity Plan are initially developed based on the Company's annual budget. The Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer and the Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of Coca-Cola Consolidated then use financial models to determine the appropriate award criteria and target goals for each plan. The financial models and plan goals are reviewed with and approved by the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer and the President and Chief Operating Officer of Coca-Cola Consolidated before being presented to, reviewed with and approved by the Compensation Committee;
- Performance goals are generally based on corporate and individual performance and are not based on other goals that may create increased risk such as the performance of individual business units or the accomplishment of particular tasks where the income and risk from the tasks extend over a significantly longer period of time; and
- The Company has adopted an Incentive Compensation Recovery Policy that authorizes the Compensation Committee, within 12 months of any restatement of the Company's financial results due to material noncompliance by the Company with any financial reporting requirement under the federal securities laws, to



seek to recover from any executive officers whose intentional misconduct, gross negligence or fraud led to the restatement all or any portion of any performance-based compensation received by such executive officers within the three years preceding such restatement. The Incentive Compensation Recovery Policy also authorizes the Compensation Committee to seek to recover from the Chief Executive Officer, the Chief Financial Officer and the Chief Operating Officer all or any portion of the performance-based compensation that would not have been awarded or earned during the three years preceding the restatement had it been calculated on the basis of the restated financial results.

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

Sharon A. Decker, James H. Morgan, Dennis A. Wicker and Richard T. Williams served on the Compensation Committee in fiscal 2022. None of the directors who served on the Compensation Committee in fiscal 2022 has ever served as one of the Company's officers or employees or had any relationship with the Company or any of its subsidiaries since the beginning of fiscal 2022 pursuant to which disclosure would be required under the SEC rules pertaining to the disclosure of transactions with related persons. During fiscal 2022, none of the Company's executive officers served as a director or a member of the compensation committee (or other committee performing equivalent functions) of any other entity of which an executive officer of such other entity served on the Board or its Compensation Committee.

#### **Compensation Committee Report**

The Compensation Committee has reviewed and discussed the "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" section included in this Proxy Statement with management and, based on such review and discussions, recommended to the Board that the "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" section be included in this Proxy Statement and in Coca-Cola Consolidated's Annual Report on Form 10-K for fiscal 2022.

Submitted by the Compensation Committee of the Board.

Dennis A. Wicker, Chairman Sharon A. Decker James H. Morgan Richard T. Williams

#### **Audit Committee Report**

The primary purpose of the Audit Committee is to assist the Board in its oversight of all material aspects of the accounting and financial reporting processes, internal controls and internal audit function of the Company, including its compliance with Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. Management has primary responsibility for the Company's consolidated financial statements and reporting processes, including its internal controls and disclosure controls and procedures. The Company's independent registered public accounting firm, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, is responsible for performing independent audits of the Company's consolidated financial statements and the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board and expressing opinions on the conformity of the Company's consolidated financial statements with GAAP and the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting based upon those audits.

In fulfilling its oversight responsibilities, the Audit Committee reviewed and discussed with management the audited consolidated financial statements included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for fiscal 2022. This review included a discussion of the quality and acceptability of the Company's financial reporting and internal controls. During the past fiscal year, the Audit Committee discussed with the Company's independent registered public accounting firm the matters required to be discussed by applicable requirements of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board and the SEC. The Audit Committee also received during the past fiscal year the written disclosures and the letter from the independent registered public accounting firm required by applicable requirements of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board regarding the independent registered public accounting firm's communications with the Audit Committee concerning independence, and has discussed with the independent registered public accounting firm its independence.

Based on the reviews, discussions and disclosures referred to above, the Audit Committee recommended to the Board that the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company for fiscal 2022 be included in its Annual Report on Form 10-K for such fiscal year.

Submitted by the Audit Committee of the Board.

James H. Morgan, Chairman Sharon A. Decker James R. Helvey, III William H. Jones Dennis A. Wicker

### Proposal 2: Advisory Vote to Approve Named Executive Officer Compensation

As required by Section 14A of the Exchange Act, this proposal, commonly known as a "say-on-pay" proposal, gives the Company's stockholders the opportunity to vote to approve or not approve, on an advisory basis, the compensation of the named executive officers, which is described in the "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" and "Executive Compensation Tables" sections of this Proxy Statement. This vote is not intended to address any specific item or element of compensation or the compensation of any particular officer, but rather the overall compensation of the named executive officers and the philosophy, principles and policies used to determine compensation.

Coca-Cola Consolidated currently holds its say-on-pay vote every third year. Stockholders were most recently asked to approve the compensation of Coca-Cola Consolidated's named executive officers at the Company's 2020 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, and stockholders approved the Company's named executive officer compensation with more than 98% of the votes cast in favor. Stockholders will also have an opportunity to cast an advisory vote on the frequency of future say-on-pay votes at the Annual Meeting (see Proposal 3) and at least every six years thereafter.

As described in detail in the "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" section of this Proxy Statement, the Company's executive compensation program is designed to balance the goals of attracting and retaining appropriate executive talent who are motivated to achieve the Company's annual and long-term strategic and financial goals while keeping the program affordable and appropriately aligned with stockholder interests. The Compensation Committee and the Board believe that the Company's executive compensation program accomplishes these goals in a way that is consistent with the purpose and core values of Coca-Cola Consolidated and the long-term interests of the Company and its stockholders and employees. Stockholders are urged to read the "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" and "Executive Compensation Tables" sections of this Proxy Statement, which more thoroughly discuss the Company's compensation principles and policies. The Compensation Committee and the Board believe that these principles and policies are effective in implementing the Company's overall compensation philosophy.

Accordingly, the Company is asking stockholders to vote, on an advisory basis, **"FOR"** the following resolution at the Annual Meeting:

RESOLVED, that the compensation paid to the named executive officers, as disclosed in this Proxy Statement pursuant to the compensation disclosure rules of the SEC, including the "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" section, the compensation tables and the related narrative discussion, is hereby approved.

This vote is advisory, which means that the stockholder vote on this proposal will not be binding on Coca-Cola Consolidated, the Compensation Committee or the Board. However, the Compensation Committee and the Board value the opinions of Coca-Cola Consolidated's stockholders and will carefully consider the outcome of the vote when making future compensation decisions for the named executive officers of the Company.

The Board of Directors unanimously recommends that you vote "FOR" the approval, on an advisory basis, of the compensation of the named executive officers in fiscal 2022 as disclosed in this Proxy Statement. Unless otherwise specified, proxies will be voted "FOR" the approval, on an advisory basis, of the compensation of the named executive officers in fiscal 2022 as disclosed in this Proxy Statement.

### Proposal 3: Advisory Vote on the Frequency of Future Advisory Votes to Approve Named Executive Officer Compensation

As required by Section 14A of the Exchange Act, Coca-Cola Consolidated also is providing its stockholders with the opportunity to cast an advisory vote to express a preference regarding the frequency of future stockholder advisory votes to approve the compensation of the Company's named executive officers. Coca-Cola Consolidated currently holds its say-on-pay vote every three years. In voting on this proposal, you will be asked to select from the following four options: whether the advisory vote should occur every one, two or three years, or to abstain from voting on the proposal. For the reasons explained below, the Board of Directors recommends that you vote for a three-year frequency, a continuation of the Company's current policy.

After careful consideration, the Board of Directors has determined that holding an advisory vote to approve the compensation of Coca-Cola Consolidated's named executive officers every three years is the most appropriate policy for the Company and its stockholders at this time. The Board is making this recommendation based on several considerations, including the fact that holding the advisory vote every three years will give the Board sufficient time to thoughtfully consider the results of the previous advisory vote and to implement any desired changes to the Company's executive compensation policies and procedures. A three-year voting cycle will also provide stockholders with enough time to evaluate the effectiveness of the Company's short- and long-term compensation strategies and the related business outcomes for Coca-Cola Consolidated before being asked to cast the next advisory vote.

The option of every one, two or three years that receives the most votes will be considered to be the frequency for the advisory vote to approve named executive officer compensation that has been selected by the Company's stockholders. The Compensation Committee and the Board of Directors will consider the stockholder vote when deciding how often an advisory vote to approve named executive officer compensation will be requested from the Company's stockholders. Because this vote is advisory, and not binding on Coca-Cola Consolidated, the Compensation Committee or the Board of Directors, the Board may decide that it is in the best interests of the Company and its stockholders to hold an advisory vote to approve named executive officer compensation more or less frequently than the option selected by the Company's stockholders.

The Board of Directors unanimously recommends that you vote in favor of a frequency of every "3 YEARS" for future advisory votes to approve Coca-Cola Consolidated's named executive officer compensation. Unless otherwise specified, proxies will be voted in favor of a frequency of every "3 YEARS" for future advisory votes to approve Coca-Cola Consolidated's named executive officer compensation.

### Proposal 4: Ratification of the Appointment of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Audit Committee of the Board of Directors has appointed PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP to serve as Coca-Cola Consolidated's independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal 2023. The Audit Committee reviewed and discussed the performance of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP for fiscal 2022 prior to its appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP to serve as Coca-Cola Consolidated's independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal 2023.

The Company expects that representatives of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP will participate in the Annual Meeting, and the representatives will have an opportunity to make a statement if they desire to do so. The Company also expects that representatives of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP will be available to respond to appropriate questions from stockholders.

Stockholder ratification of the Audit Committee's appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP to serve as Coca-Cola Consolidated's independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal 2023 is not required by the By-laws or otherwise. Nevertheless, the Board is submitting the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP to the Company's stockholders for ratification as a matter of good corporate governance. If the Company's stockholders fail to ratify the appointment, the Audit Committee will reconsider its appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP. Even if this appointment is ratified, the Audit Committee, in its discretion, may direct the appointment of a different independent registered public accounting firm at any time during the fiscal year if the Audit Committee determines that such a change would be in the best interests of the Company and its stockholders.

#### The Board of Directors unanimously recommends that you vote "FOR" the ratification of the appointment of

**PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP to serve as Coca-Cola Consolidated's independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal 2023.** Unless otherwise specified, proxies will be voted **"FOR"** the ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP to serve as Coca-Cola Consolidated's independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal 2023.

#### Fees Paid to Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The following table presents fees for professional audit services rendered by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP for the audit of the Company's consolidated financial statements for fiscal 2022 and fiscal 2021 and fees billed for other services rendered by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP during those periods:

	Fiscal 2022 (\$)	Fiscal 2021 (\$)
Audit Fees <sup>(1)</sup>	1,818,243	1,670,100
Audit-Related Fees	—	
Tax Fees	—	—
All Other Fees	—	
Total	1,818,243	1,670,100

(1) Audit Fees consist of the aggregate fees billed for the respective fiscal year for professional services rendered by the independent registered public accounting firm for the audit of the Company's annual consolidated financial statements and the review of the Company's interim consolidated financial statements included in the Company's Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q. Audit Fees also consist of the aggregate fees billed for the respective fiscal year for services that are normally provided by the independent registered public accounting firm in connection with statutory and regulatory filings or engagements.

#### Audit Committee Pre-Approval of Audit and Non-Audit Services

The Audit Committee's policy is to pre-approve all audit and permissible non-audit services to be performed by the independent registered public accounting firm. These services may include audit services, audit-related services, tax services and other services. All such services provided in fiscal 2022 were pre-approved by the Audit Committee. Pre-approval is generally provided for up to one year and any pre-approval is detailed as to the particular service or category of services and is generally subject to a specific budget. The independent registered public accounting firm and management are required to periodically report to the full Audit Committee regarding the extent of services provided by the independent registered public accounting firm in accordance with this pre-approval, and the fees for the services performed to date.

The Audit Committee has delegated pre-approval authority to its Chairman when necessary due to timing considerations. Any services preapproved by such Chairman must be reported to the full Audit Committee at its next scheduled meeting.

#### **Proposal 5:**

## Approval of the Amendment to Coca-Cola Consolidated's Restated Certificate of Incorporation

The Board of Directors has unanimously adopted, and recommends that Coca-Cola Consolidated's stockholders approve, an amendment to the Company's Restated Certificate of Incorporation, as amended (the "Restated Certificate of Incorporation"), to limit the personal liability of certain senior officers of Coca-Cola Consolidated as permitted by recent amendments to the DGCL (the "Proposed Amendment"). Article ELEVENTH of the Restated Certificate of Incorporation currently limits the personal liability of directors for monetary damages for breaches of their fiduciary duty of care pursuant to, and consistent with, Section 102(b)(7) of the DGCL. This is referred to as "exculpation." Effective August 1, 2022, Section 102(b)(7) of the DGCL was amended to permit a corporation to extend exculpation to certain senior officers. In order to extend the protections of the recently amended Section 102(b)(7) of the DGCL to its officers, a Delaware corporation must affirmatively amend its certificate of incorporation to include such a provision, as the protections do not apply automatically.

The Board believes that amending the Restated Certificate of Incorporation to add the liability protection for senior officers is necessary in order to (i) continue to attract and retain experienced and qualified executives, as similar officer exculpation provisions are likely to be adopted by Coca-Cola Consolidated's peers and others with whom the Company competes for executive talent, and (ii) reduce personal legal exposure and help curb corporate litigation and associated insurance costs. Furthermore, the Proposed Amendment would more generally align the protections available to Coca-Cola Consolidated's senior officers with those protections currently available to its directors.

Amended Section 102(b)(7) of the DGCL provides that only certain officers may be entitled to exculpation; namely: (i) the corporation's president, chief executive officer, chief operating officer, chief financial officer, chief legal officer, controller, treasurer or chief accounting officer; (ii) an individual identified in the corporation's public filings with the SEC as one of the most highly compensated executive officers of the corporation (i.e., the named executive officers); and (iii) an individual who, by written agreement with the corporation, has consented to be identified as an officer for purposes of accepting service of process (collectively, the "covered officers").

The Proposed Amendment would permit the exculpation of the covered officers for personal liability for monetary damages in connection with direct claims brought by stockholders for breach of fiduciary duty of care, including class actions, but would not exculpate such officers' personal liability for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty of care claims brought by Coca-Cola Consolidated itself or for derivative claims brought by stockholders in the name of the Company. Accordingly, Coca-Cola Consolidated and its stockholders would still have the ability to hold officers accountable for wrongdoing. In addition, as is currently the case for directors under the Restated Certificate of Incorporation, the Proposed Amendment would not limit the liability of the covered officers for: (i) a breach of the duty of loyalty; (ii) acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law; or (iii) any transaction from which the officer derived an improper personal benefit.

In determining the advisability of the Proposed Amendment, the Board of Directors considered the narrow class and type of claims from which the covered officers would be exculpated from liability pursuant to amended Section 102(b)(7) of the DGCL, the limited number of Coca-Cola Consolidated's officers to which the protections would apply, and the benefits the Board believes would accrue to the Company by extending exculpation protection to its senior officers in addition to its directors.

The full text of Article ELEVENTH of the Restated Certificate of Incorporation, as proposed to be amended, is as follows:

ELEVENTH. To the fullest extent permitted by the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, no director or officer of the Corporation shall be liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director or officer, provided that such provision shall not eliminate or limit the liability of (a) a director or officer for any breach of the director's or officer's duty of loyalty to the Corporation or its stockholders, (b) a director or officer for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (c) a director under Section 174 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, (d) a director or officer for any transaction from which the director or officer derived an improper personal benefit or (e) an officer in any action by or in the right of the Corporation. If the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware is hereafter amended to authorize corporate action further eliminating or limiting the liability of directors or officers, then the liability of a director or officer of the Corporation shall be eliminated or limited to the fullest extent permitted by the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, as so amended. This Article ELEVENTH of this Restated Certificate of Incorporation shall not eliminate or limit the liability of a director or officer for any act or omission occurring prior to the date that it becomes effective. Any amendment to, modification of, or repeal of this Article ELEVENTH of this Restated Certificate of Incorporation by the stockholders of the Corporation shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a director or officer of the Corporation existing hereunder with respect to any act or omission of such director or officer occurring prior to such amendment, modification or repeal.

If the Proposed Amendment is approved by Coca-Cola Consolidated's stockholders, it will become effective immediately upon the filing of a Certificate of Amendment to the Restated Certificate of Incorporation with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, which the Company expects to do promptly after the Annual Meeting. Other than the replacement of the existing Article ELEVENTH with the proposed Article ELEVENTH, the remainder of the Restated Certificate of Incorporation will remain unchanged after effectiveness of the Proposed Amendment. If the Proposed Amendment is not approved by Coca-Cola Consolidated's stockholders, the Restated Certificate of Incorporation will remain unchanged.

The Board of Directors unanimously recommends that you vote "FOR" the approval of the Proposed Amendment to the **Restated Certificate of Incorporation.** Unless otherwise specified, proxies will be voted "FOR" the approval of the Proposed Amendment to the Restated Certificate of Incorporation.

#### **Additional Information**

#### Stockholder Proposals for the 2024 Annual Meeting of Stockholders

Any stockholder proposal intended to be included in Coca-Cola Consolidated's proxy statement and form of proxy relating to the 2024 Annual Meeting of Stockholders must be in writing and received by the Company not later than November 21, 2023. Any such stockholder proposal must also comply with Rule 14a-8 of the Exchange Act, which lists the requirements for the inclusion of stockholder proposals in company-sponsored proxy materials. Stockholder proposals should be addressed to the attention of the Company's Secretary at Coca-Cola Consolidated, Inc., 4100 Coca-Cola Plaza, Charlotte, North Carolina 28211. Pursuant to the SEC rules, submitting a proposal will not guarantee that it will be included in the Company's proxy materials.

In addition, any stockholder proposal intended to be presented at the 2024 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, but that will not be included in Coca-Cola Consolidated's proxy statement and form of proxy relating to the 2024 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, must be in writing and received by the Company's Secretary at Coca-Cola Consolidated, Inc., 4100 Coca-Cola Plaza, Charlotte, North Carolina 28211 not later than the close of business on the 90th day nor earlier than the close of business on the 120th day prior to the first anniversary of the Annual Meeting. As a result, any proposals submitted by a stockholder pursuant to the provisions of the By-laws (other than proposals submitted pursuant to Rule 14a-8 of the Exchange Act) must be received not earlier than the close of business on January 10, 2024 and not later than the close of business on February 9, 2024. However, in the event that the date of the 2024 Annual Meeting of Stockholders is more than 30 days before or more than 60 days after May 9, 2024, notice by the stockholder to be timely must be so received not earlier than the close of business on the 120th day prior to the date of the 2024 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and not later than the close of business on the 120th day prior to the date of the 2024 Annual Meeting of Stockholders is more than 30 days before or more than 60 days after May 9, 2024, notice by the stockholder to be timely must be so received not earlier than the close of business on the 120th day prior to the date of the 2024 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and not later than the close of business on the 120th day prior to the date of the 2024 Annual Meeting is first made by the Company. Stockholder proposals must include the specified information concerning the proposal and the stockholder submitting the proposal as set forth in the By-laws. A copy of the By-laws may be obtained by writing to the Company's Secretary at Coca-Cola Consolidated, Inc., 4100 Coca-Cola Plaza, Charlotte, North Carolina 28211.

#### 2022 Annual Report to Stockholders

This Proxy Statement is accompanied by the 2022 Annual Report to Stockholders, and these materials are also available at *www.proxyvote.com* and the investor relations portion of the Company's website, *www.cokeconsolidated.com*. The 2022 Annual Report to Stockholders, which contains the audited consolidated financial statements and other information about the Company, is not incorporated in this Proxy Statement and is not to be deemed a part of the proxy soliciting material.

#### Annual Report on Form 10-K

The Company will provide without charge to each person solicited pursuant to this Proxy Statement, upon the written request of any such person, a copy of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for fiscal 2022, including the financial statements and the financial statement schedules, required to be filed with the SEC, or any exhibit thereto. Requests should be in writing and addressed to the attention of F. Scott Anthony, the Company's Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, at Coca-Cola Consolidated, Inc., P.O. Box 31487, Charlotte, North Carolina 28231.

#### Householding

The SEC has adopted rules permitting companies to mail one proxy statement and annual report, or notice of internet availability of proxy materials, as applicable, in one envelope to all stockholders residing at the same address if certain conditions are met. This is called "householding" and can result in significant savings of paper and mailing costs. The Company has not implemented householding with respect to its stockholders of record; however, a number of brokerage firms have instituted householding that may impact certain beneficial owners of shares held in street name. If members of your household have multiple accounts through which they hold Coca-Cola Consolidated stock, you may have received a householding notification from the stockholder of record (e.g., your bank, broker or other nominee).



Please contact the stockholder of record directly if you have any questions or wish to revoke your decision to household or to receive an additional copy of this Proxy Statement, the 2022 Annual Report to Stockholders or the Notice of Internet Availability for members of your household.



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Use the internet to transmit your voting instructions and for electronic delivery of information up until 11:59 p.m., Extern Time, on May 8, 2023. Have your proxy card in hand when you access the website and then follow the instructions to obtain your records and to create an electronic cooling instruction form. During The Meeting - Go to <u>wew virtualshareholdermeeting.com/COKE2023</u>

You may attend the meeting via the internet and vote during the meeting. Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow available and than follow the instructions.

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Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting:

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#### COCA-COLA CONSOLIDATED, INC. 2023 Annual Meeting of Stockholders May 9, 2023

This proxy is solicited on behalf of Coca-Cola Consolidated's Board of Directors.

The undersigned hereby appoint(s) J. Frank Harrison, III, David M. Katz and E. Beauregarde Fisher III, and each of them, as attorneys-in-fact, each with the power to appoint his substitute, and hereby authorize(s) each of them to represent and to vote, as designated on the reverse side of this proxy card, all of the shares of Common Stock and Class B Common Stock of Coca-Cola Consolidated, Inc. that the undersigned is/are entitled to vote at the 2023 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Time, on Tuesday, May 9, 2023 via live audio webcast at www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/COKE2023, and any adjournment or postponement thereof. The proxy holders are authorized to vote on such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof, exercising their discretion as set forth in the Notice of Annual Meeting and Proxy Statement.

THIS PROXY, WHEN PROPERLY EXECUTED, WILL BE VOTED AS DIRECTED BY THE UNDERSIGNED. IF NO SUCH DIRECTIONS ARE MADE, THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED "FOR ALL" OF THE NOMINEES NAMED IN PROPOSAL 1, "FOR" PROPOSALS 2, 4 AND 5, IN FAVOR OF "3 YEARS" FOR PROPOSAL 3, AND IN THE DISCRETION OF THE PROXY HOLDERS WITH RESPECT TO SUCH OTHER BUSINESS AS MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE MEETING OR ANY ADJOURNMENT OR POSTPONEMENT THEREOF.

PLEASE MARK, SIGN AND DATE ON THE REVERSE SIDE, AND RETURN THIS PROXY CARD PROMPTLY USING THE ENCLOSED REPLY ENVELOPE, OR FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTE BY INTERNET OR PHONE.

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