# **XPOLogistics**



XPO Logistics, Inc. (NYSE: XPO) is a top ten global logistics provider of cutting-edge supply chain solutions to the most successful companies in the world. The company operates as a highly integrated network of people, technology and physical assets in 30 countries, with 1,629 locations and over 100,000 employees. XPO uses its network to help more than 50,000 customers manage their goods most efficiently throughout their supply chains. XPO's corporate headquarters is in Greenwich, Conn., USA, and its European headquarters is in Lyon, France. xpo.com







#### Forward-looking Statements

This document includes forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, including our financial targets. All statements other than statements of historical fact are, or may be deemed to be, forward-looking statements. In some cases, forward-looking statements can be identified by the use of forward-looking terms such as "anticipate," "estimate," "believe", "continue," "could," "intend," "may," "plan," "potential," "predict," "should," "will," "expect," "objective," "projection," "forecast," "goal," "guidance," "outlook," "effort," "target," "trajectory" or the negative of these terms or other comparable terms. However, the absence of these words does not mean that the statements are not forward-looking. These forward-looking statements are based on certain assumptions and analyses made by us in light of our experience and our perception of historical trends, current conditions and expected future developments, as well as other factors we believe are appropriate in the circumstances.

These forward-looking statements are subject to known and unknown risks, uncertainties and assumptions that may cause actual results, levels of activity, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Factors that might cause or contribute to a material difference include the risks discussed in our filings with the SEC and the following: economic conditions generally; the severity, magnitude, duration and aftereffects of the COVID-19 pandemic and government responses to the COVID-19 pandemic; our ability to align our investments in capital assets, including equipment, service centers and warehouses, to our customers' demands; our ability to implement our cost and revenue initiatives; our ability to successfully integrate and realize anticipated synergies, cost savings and profit improvement opportunities with respect to acquired companies; matters related to our intellectual property rights; fluctuations in currency exchange rates; fuel price and fuel surcharge changes; natural disasters, terrorist attacks or similar incidents; risks and uncertainties regarding the potential timing and expected benefits of the proposed spin-off of our logistics segment, including final approval for the proposed spin-off and the risk that the spin-off may not be completed on the terms or timeline currently contemplated, if at all; the impact of the proposed spin-off on the size and business diversity of our company; the ability of the proposed spin-off to qualify for tax-free treatment for U.S. federal income tax purposes; our ability to develop and implement suitable information technology systems and prevent failures in or breaches of such systems; our substantial indebtedness; our ability to raise debt and equity capital; fluctuations in fixed and floating interest rates; our ability to maintain positive relationships with our network of third-party transportation providers; our ability to attract and retain qualified drivers; labor matters, including our ability to manage our subcontractors, and risks associated with labor disputes at our customers and efforts by labor organizations to organize our employees; litigation, including litigation related to alleged misclassification of independent contractors and securities class actions; risks associated with our self-insured claims; risks associated with defined benefit plans for our current and former employees; and governmental regulation, including trade compliance laws, as well as changes in international trade policies and tax regimes; governmental or political actions, including the United Kingdom's exit from the European Union; and competition and pricing pressures.

All forward-looking statements set forth in this document are qualified by these cautionary statements and there can be no assurance that the actual results or developments anticipated by us will be realized or, even if substantially realized, that they will have the expected consequences to or effects on us or our business or operations. Forward-looking statements set forth in this document speak only as of the date hereof, and we do not undertake any obligation to update forward-looking statements to reflect subsequent events or circumstances, changes in expectations or the occurrence of unanticipated events, except to the extent required by law.



#### To Our Stockholders

In my letter last year, I said I was a pragmatic bear in the short-term, a bull in the mid-term and a mega-bull in the long-term. Well, the bear has left the building and the bull has arrived ahead of schedule. After a painful 12 months for pretty much everyone, 2021 and 2022 are shaping up to be big comeback years for the vast majority of our customers.

Many companies, especially those in consumer markets, are now in an accelerated V-shaped recovery. The 6% GDP growth some US economists are forecasting for this year could be conservative. Based on what our customers are telling us, I don't think 10% growth is out of the question. Freight transportation is a leading economic indicator, and our customers, for the most part, think they'll be in a much stronger position a year from now than they were before the pandemic.

The crux is whether burgeoning government spending will ultimately stimulate or stagnate the economy. Here, my mega-bullishness is cooling down a bit. When governments expand their role in allocating capital instead of letting free markets do their thing, historically that's led to higher inflation, higher interest rates and higher taxes—and, eventually, to low or no growth. That's not a certainty, but it's certainty a question mark.

One thing I'm sure of is that we have a resilient company and outstanding people. Our global team was able to keep goods flowing through supply chains in 2020 because they know our company is 100% committed to their safety. I thank every one of our 100,000 employees for showing true professionalism under circumstances that have been trying at times, but have also brought out the best in Team XPO.

#### Automation, outsourcing, e-commerce and the industrial economy

The rebound for our business began midway through 2020, driven by three massive tailwinds: e-commerce, outsourcing and customer demand for supply chain automation. By year-end, we had met or exceeded our pre-pandemic performance in all major areas of our business: logistics, less-than-truckload and truck brokerage.

E-commerce is a broad-based tailwind, with demand coming from pure-play e-tailers, omnichannel retailers and direct-to-consumer manufacturers. We provide these customers with inventory management, fulfillment and also returns management, where we have extensive expertise. The strong upward trends we saw in the back half of 2020—notably, in consumer packaged goods, technology products, food and beverage, DIY products and other consumer sectors—have remained robust in 2021. Soon, we expect to see the return of brick-and-mortar retail demand as stores reopen.

Another highlight of late-2020 was the long-awaited start of the recovery in the industrial economy. This has an outsized benefit to our less-than-truckload business, where our freight primarily moves within industrial markets. Our LTL customers tell us that demand is speeding up as manufacturers move back to full production in the upcycle.

Outsourcing, which has been a steady tailwind for some time now, is becoming a sink-or-swim strategy for an increasing number of companies that currently manage their own logistics. Supply chains are becoming more complex, making it difficult for companies to meet customer expectations in-house. The pandemic showed that outsourcing logistics operations to specialists like XPO means greater flexibility, lower risk, more innovation and better visibility into the movement of goods.

The third big tailwind—customer demand for advanced automation—is being driven by a mix of e-commerce, outsourcing and the pronounced efficiencies that automation brings to logistics. We were an early adopter of machine learning and artificial intelligence in our operations, and we developed a proprietary warehouse platform that integrates cutting-edge solutions in-house. Today, our employees work side-by-side with intelligent technologies that make their jobs easier: autonomous goods-to-person systems, collaborative robots, robotic arms and other advanced automation we tailor to each customer's requirements. We've also introduced wearable technologies to improve efficiency and employee comfort.

Our truck brokerage business came roaring back in 2020, surpassing 2019 performance by the third quarter. We've substantially outperformed our major competitors in North America, as well as broker penetration of for-hire US trucking; our revenue CAGR of 16.3% from 2013 to 2019 was nearly double the US brokerage industry CAGR overall. XPO Connect, our digital freight marketplace, is accounting for a growing number of high-margin, "touch-free" transactions between customers and carriers, with one of the fastest adoption rates of its kind in the industry.

XPO Smart is a versatile technology that we developed to optimize productivity in our logistics and less-than-truckload sites. This proprietary suite of intelligent analytics is already improving productivity by more than 5% on average, and we expect a substantial upside to margin going forward.

Our North American LTL business is a shining example of continuous improvement. That's saying a lot, given that we're obsessed with constantly improving all of our service lines. We have the LTL industry's second-best adjusted operating ratio—the measure of profitability—and the best improvement in this metric over the last five years.

Our LTL business is very much on track to deliver at least \$1 billion of adjusted EBITDA<sup>1</sup> in 2022, propelled mainly by our technology. We're realizing new efficiencies from dynamic routing of pickups and deliveries, automated load-building for higher

trailer utilization, and data-driven elasticity models that help inform pricing decisions for our larger accounts. And the best news is, we've barely begun.

#### Diversity, equity and inclusion

At XPO, we're determined to do more than just verbalize our support of DE&I—we're taking decisive actions that we believe will make a sustainable difference in our organization. In 2020, we appointed our first chief diversity officer, LaQuenta Jacobs. We also set ESG targets as part of our executive compensation program and we established three core objectives that relate to our best opportunity to make an impact: our recruitment and retention programs.

First, we're working to significantly increase the diversity of our talent pipeline by collaborating with partners, such as historically Black colleges and universities, to reach underrepresented groups. Second, we're making sure we promote women and minority employees, particularly to middle and senior management roles. And third, we're expanding our efforts to make it known that members of the Black, Hispanic, Asian, Native American and LGBTQ+ communities belong at XPO, as do women, military veterans and people with disabilities. All of these actions strengthen our cultural framework for DE&I.

#### In summary

A year ago, COVID-19 looked like a huge, insurmountable "pause button" that would stop the world in its tracks. We never paused.

Instead, we moved quickly to ensure the well-being of our employees. This was our foremost priority, and it allowed us to continue to serve our customers and help communities function. Without compromising safety one iota, we executed dramatic rebounds in our logistics and truck brokerage operations in the third quarter and delivered the best fourth quarter performance in our company's history.

We also continued to be strategic allocators of capital. In January, we completed the synergistic acquisition of 106 Kuehne+Nagel logistics operations in the UK and Ireland. Five of the blue-chip customers who came to us in the acquisition are projected to be in our top 25 European logistics customers by revenue in 2021.

Given the strong momentum we see in 2021, we have a high degree of confidence that we'll make or beat our full-year guidance for adjusted EBITDA<sup>1</sup> of \$1.725 billion to \$1.8 billion, which is a year-over-year increase of 24% to 29% companywide. Importantly, we expect to achieve this level of adjusted EBITDA growth in both segments of our business: logistics and transportation.

In December, we announced our plan to spin off our logistics business, and laid out a compelling rationale for separating the company into XPO and GXO. Each public company will have a simplified business model and its own equity currency when the separation is complete, with pure-play leadership, strategic priorities, capital structure, technology, organic growth initiatives and M&A opportunities. In addition, we're pursuing investment-grade ratings for both companies: GXO from day one, followed by XPO.

We're making excellent progress on the spin-off plan. We filed our confidential Form 10 with the SEC in March, and we've announced five world-class GXO executive appointees to date, with more to follow. Malcolm Wilson, the CEO of our European business, will lead GXO as global chief executive when the separation is complete. Malcolm has three decades of impeccable industry credentials. When we acquired Norbert Dentressangle in 2015, Malcolm had already grown the logistics division to global scale in 15 countries, and he has continued to lead it to unprecedented growth for XPO.

I'm proud that the pandemic didn't stop us from creating value for our stockholders. Our goal this decade is to beat what we did in the last decade, when we were the seventh best-performing stock of the Fortune 500. In the process, we won't forget for a minute that we work for the people and institutions who give us their precious investment dollars. You own the company. We work for you.

April 13, 2021

Brad Jacobs

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

<sup>1</sup> Adjusted EBITDA is a non-GAAP measure. Additional information on this measure can be found in Annex A to our company's Proxy Statement



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#### NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

To Be Held on May 11, 2021

#### To the Stockholders of XPO Logistics, Inc.:

Notice is hereby given that the 2021 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "Annual Meeting") of XPO Logistics, Inc. ("XPO" or the "company") will be held on Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time. The meeting will be conducted as a webcast due to the public health concerns related to COVID-19. You can access the meeting at <a href="https://www.meetingcenter.io/260352583">www.meetingcenter.io/260352583</a> with password XPO2021 and a control number that will be issued to you upon request. Please follow the instructions on page 8 of the Proxy Statement to request your control number.

The Annual Meeting shall be held for the following purposes summarized below, and more fully described in the Proxy Statement accompanying this notice:

- To elect eight (8) members of our Board of Directors for a term to expire at the 2022 Annual Meeting of Stockholders or until their successors are duly elected and qualified;
- To ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal year 2021;
- To conduct an advisory vote to approve the executive compensation of our named executive officers ("NEOs"), as disclosed
  in the Proxy Statement;
- To consider and act upon a stockholder proposal regarding additional disclosure of the company's political activities, if properly presented at the Annual Meeting;
- To consider and act upon a stockholder proposal regarding the requirement that the chairman of the board be an independent director, if properly presented at the Annual Meeting;
- To consider and act upon a stockholder proposal regarding the acceleration of executive equity awards in the case of a change in control of the company, if properly presented at the Annual Meeting; and
- To consider and transact other business as may properly come before the Annual Meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof.

Only stockholders of record of our common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, and our Series A Convertible Perpetual Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001 per share, as of the close of business on April 8, 2021 are entitled to receive notice of, and to vote at, the Annual Meeting or any adjournment or postponement of the Annual Meeting.

Your vote is important. Whether or not you plan to attend the Annual Meeting, it is important that your shares be represented. We ask that you vote your shares as soon as possible.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

Brad Jacobs

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Greenwich, Connecticut April 13, 2021

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to Be Held on May 11, 2021:

The Proxy Statement and our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the Year Ended December 31, 2020 are available at www.edocumentview.com/XPO

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## PROXY STATEMENT SUMMARY

This Proxy Statement sets forth information relating to the solicitation of proxies by the Board of Directors (the "Board of Directors" or "Board") of XPO Logistics, Inc. in connection with our 2021 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. This summary highlights information contained elsewhere in this Proxy Statement. This summary does not contain all of the information that you should consider, and you should read the entire Proxy Statement carefully before voting.

#### 2021 ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

This Proxy Statement and form of proxy are first being mailed on or about April 13, 2021, to our stockholders of record as of the close of business on April 8, 2021 (the "Record Date").

Date and Time Place Record Date



Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time



Virtual Meeting Site: www.meetingcenter.io/260352583



You can vote if you were a stockholder of record as of the close of business on April 8, 2021

Admission: You will not be able to attend the Annual Meeting in person this year. You can access the Annual Meeting at <a href="https://www.meetingcenter.io/260352583">www.meetingcenter.io/260352583</a> with password XPO2021. You will need to provide the control number on your proxy card in order to access the Annual Meeting. If the shares of common stock you hold are in an account at a broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee (i.e., in "street name"), you must register in advance to participate in the Annual Meeting, vote electronically and submit questions during the live webcast of the meeting. To register in advance, you must obtain a legal proxy from the bank, broker or other nominee that holds your shares giving you the right to vote the shares. Requests for registration should be directed to our transfer agent, Computershare Trust Company, N.A. ("Computershare"), by email at legalproxy@computershare.com no later than 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time, on Thursday, May 6, 2021. You will receive a confirmation of your registration, with a control number, by email from Computershare. At the time of the meeting, go to www.meetingcenter.io/260352583 and enter your control number and the meeting password, XPO2021.

#### **VOTING MATTERS AND BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Board is not aware of any matter that will be presented for a vote at the 2021 Annual Meeting of Stockholders other than those shown below.

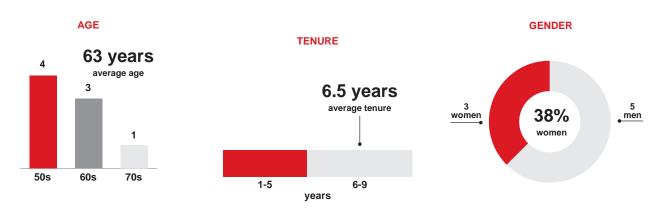
	Board Vote Recommendation	Page Reference (for more detail)
PROPOSAL 1: Election of Directors  To elect eight (8) members of our Board of Directors for a term to expire at the 2022 Annual Meeting of Stockholders or until their successors are duly elected and qualified.	FOR each Director Nominee	13-27, 66
PROPOSAL 2: Ratification of the Appointment of our Independent Public Accounting Firm To ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP as the company's independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal year 2021.	√ FOR	64-65, 67
PROPOSAL 3: Advisory Vote to Approve Executive Compensation  To conduct an advisory vote to approve the executive compensation of the company's named executive officers ("NEOs") as disclosed in this Proxy Statement.	√ FOR	68
PROPOSAL 4: Stockholder Proposal Regarding Additional Disclosure of the Company's Political Activities  To adopt a requirement that the company provide an annual disclosure of its political activities and related expenditures.	<b>≭</b> AGAINST	69-70
PROPOSAL 5: Stockholder Proposal Regarding the Requirement that the Chairman of the Board be an Independent Director To adopt a requirement that the chairman of the Board be an independent director.	<b>✗</b> AGAINST	71-73
PROPOSAL 6: Stockholder Proposal Regarding Acceleration of Executive Equity Awards in the Case of a Change in Control  To adopt a policy that, in the event of a change in control of the company, there shall be no acceleration of vesting of any equity award granted to any senior executive officer.	* AGAINST	74-75

#### **GOVERNANCE HIGHLIGHTS**

Board and Committee Independence	Seven of our eight current directors are independent. The Audit Committee, Compensation Committee and Nominating, Corporate Governance and Sustainability Committee each consist entirely of independent directors.
Independent Board Oversight and Leadership Roles	In 2016, our Board added a robust lead independent director position to its leadership structure to complement the roles of our independent committees and independent committee chairmen in providing effective Board oversight. In 2019, our Board added the position of an independent vice chairman to its leadership structure to provide support on key governance matters and shareholder engagement to our chairman, lead independent director and the Board. These independent structures work in conjunction with the dual roles served by our chairman and chief executive officer. The Board believes its leadership structure, as well as the leadership structure of the company, function cohesively and serve the best interests of our stockholders based on the company's strategy and ownership structure.
Board Refreshment	Our Board is committed to ensuring that its composition includes a range of expertise aligned with the company's business, as well as fresh perspectives on strategy. One of the ways the Board acts on this commitment is through the thoughtful refreshment of directors when appropriate. In 2015, the Board initiated a process to seek out highly qualified director candidates who would bring relevant experience to the Board in light of our company's growing scale and diversity. This resulted in the addition of three new directors—one in 2016, one in 2017 and one in 2019. All three of these directors are female, adding diversity to our Board.
Committee Rotations	As part of its annual review of committee assignments, the Board reconstituted its committees and their chairmen in May 2018, March 2019 and April 2020 to ensure effective functioning and new perspectives.
Director Elections	All directors are elected annually for one-year terms or until their successors are elected and qualified.
Majority Voting for Director Elections	Our bylaws provide for a majority voting standard in uncontested elections, and further require that a director who fails to receive a majority vote must tender his or her resignation to the Board.
Board Evaluations	Our Board reviews committee and director performance through an annual process of self-evaluation.
Risk Oversight and Financial Reporting	Our Board seeks to provide robust oversight of current and potential risks facing our company by engaging in regular deliberations and participating in management meetings. Our Audit Committee contributes to strong financial reporting oversight through regular meetings with management and dialogue with our auditors.
Active Participation	Our Board held 20 meetings during 2020. Each person currently serving as a director attended at least 93% of the Board meetings, as well as the meetings of any committee(s) on which he or she served.
Clear Oversight of Sustainability	In December 2020, the Board approved amendments to the charter of the Nominating, Corporate Governance and Sustainability Committee to support the Board in its oversight of the company's purpose-driven sustainability strategies and external disclosures; this includes engaging with management on material environmental, social and corporate governance ("ESG") matters and stakeholder perspectives.

#### 2021 BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINEES

Our Board aims to create a diverse and highly skilled team of directors who provide our global company with thoughtful board oversight. When selecting new directors, our Board considers, among other things, the nominee's breadth of experience, financial expertise, integrity, ability to make independent analytical inquiries, understanding of our business environment, skills in areas relevant to our growth drivers and willingness to devote adequate time to Board duties—all in the context of the needs of the Board at that point in time, and with the objective of ensuring a diversity of backgrounds, expertise and viewpoints. Our Board also endeavors to include highly qualified women and individuals from underrepresented minority groups in the candidate pool, and has engaged in a purposeful process of regular refreshment. This has resulted in the addition of three new directors to the Board, one in 2016, one in 2017 and one in 2019. All three of these directors are female, adding diversity to our Board. The composition of our Board at year-end 2020 was:



The following table provides summary information about each director nominee. Each director is elected annually by a majority of the votes cast.

					Memberships			
Name	Director Since	Age	Occupation	Independent	AC	CC	NCGSC	AcqC
Brad Jacobs	2011	64	Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, XPO Logistics, Inc.					
Gena Ashe	2016	59	General Counsel and Corporate Secretary, Anterix Inc.	Υ	✓			1
Marlene Colucci	2019	58	Executive Director of The Business Council	Υ		✓		✓
AnnaMaria DeSalva	2017	52	Vice Chairman, XPO Logistics, Inc.; Global Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Hill+Knowlton Strategies	Υ			С	
Michael Jesselson	2011	69	Lead Independent Director, XPO Logistics, Inc.; President and Chief Executive Officer, Jesselson Capital Corporation	Υ	✓	1	1	
Adrian Kingshott	2011	61	Chief Executive Officer, AdSon, LLC; Managing Director, Spotlight Advisors, LLC	Υ				С
Jason Papastavrou*	2011	58	Founder and Chief Investment Officer, ARIS Capital Management, LLC	Υ	✓	С	1	
Oren Shaffer*	2011	78	Former Vice Chairman and Chief Financial Officer, Qwest Communications International, Inc.	Υ	С			

AC = Audit Committee
CC = Compensation Committee

**NCGSC** = Nominating, Corporate Governance and Sustainability Committee

AcqC = Acquisition Committee

 ${f C}={\hbox{Committee Chairman}}$ 

✓= Committee Member

\* = Audit Committee Financial Expert

Committee

The following table provides a summary of the qualifications and experience of our director nominees.

SKILL		NUMBER OF DIRECTORS
**	BUSINESS OPERATIONS	8
1	CORPORATE GOVERNANCE	8
O	CUSTOMER SERVICE	4
<b>②</b>	ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY AND CORPORATE RESPONSIBILITY	5
	CAPITAL ALLOCATION	5
Q	CRITICAL ANALYSIS OF CORPORATE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND CAPITAL STRUCTURES	7
202	HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT	5
	MULTINATIONAL CORPORATE MANAGEMENT	8
<u>//</u>	SALES AND MARKETING	3
100	MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS, INTEGRATION AND OPTIMIZATION	7
<u>_</u>	TRANSPORTATION AND LOGISTICS INDUSTRY	2
	RISK MANAGEMENT	8
**	TALENT MANAGEMENT AND ENGAGEMENT	8
<del>(</del>	TECHNOLOGY AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS	3
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#### 2020 PERFORMANCE HIGHLIGHTS

XPO generated positive financial achievements in 2020, arising from a financial rebound and upward momentum in the second half of the year. Under the skilled leadership of our NEOs, in 2020 we reported:

\$16.25B

#### **REVENUE**

Revenue growth accelerated to 13% year-over-year in the fourth quarter and was 7% year-over-year for the second half of the year

### \$79M

#### **NET INCOME**

Net income attributable to common shareholders of \$93 million in the fourth quarter of 2020

### \$1.39B

#### ADJUSTED EBITDA\*

Adjusted EBITDA\* of \$449 million was the highest of any fourth quarter

Adjusted EBITDA\* growth of 2% yearover-year in the second half of 2020

### \$0.78

#### **DILUTED EPS**

Diluted EPS of \$0.91 in the fourth quarter Diluted EPS of \$0.83 in the third quarter

\$2.01

### ADJUSTED DILUTED FPS\*

Adjusted diluted EPS\* growth of 6% year-over-year in the fourth quarter, following a full year decline of 50% year-over-year from 2019

### \$885M

### CASH FLOW FROM OPERATIONS

Cash flows **increased 12%** from \$791 million in 2019

\$554 million free cash flow\*

### 50% TSR

#### \$119.20 SHARE PRICE 12/31/20

Absolute one-year total stockholder return ("TSR") of 50% outperformed comparative indices TSRs of the S&P 400 (+14%), the Dow Jones Transportation Average (+17%) and our core peer group median (+23%)

### \$3.1B

#### LIQUIDITY IN CASH AND DEBT CAPACITY

\$2.1 billion in cash and cash equivalents \$1.0 billion available debt capacity

### 4 YEARS

#### A WORLD'S MOST ADMIRED COMPANY

Named by Fortune magazine in 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021

#### **RESPONSE TO COVID-19**

Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, we have prioritized the health, safety and well-being of our employees and the communities in which we operate, taking these and other measures in 2020:

- Created a cross-disciplinary crisis management team, inclusive of all of our executive officers, to oversee all aspects of our response to COVID-19, including health and safety, operating plan and financial strategy. The Board received frequent updates from this team at formal meetings and through informal participation with this group.
- Implemented Paid Pandemic Sick Leave, which allowed full-time and part-time employees to receive up to 80 and 48 hours of additional paid sick leave, respectively.
- Paid out \$57 million in COVID-related costs in the second and third quarters, including Frontline Appreciation Pay, which resulted in warehouse workers earning an additional \$2 per hour and salaried employees earning additional weekly sums of \$100 to \$250.
- Fully covered the cost of COVID-19 testing and made additional resources available to employees and families, including mental health counseling.
- Donated and distributed PPE and other essential supplies in the communities where we operate.

The COVID-19 pandemic also highlighted the benefits of our long-standing investment in technology, which positioned XPO to participate in Operation Warp Speed, the U.S. public-private partnership to distribute vaccine supplies. We leveraged our cold-chain logistics expertise and expedited transportation fleet to help combat the pandemic.

Additional details about XPO's commitment to safety and our strategy for COVID-related risk management can be found on our website at xpo.com/covid19.

<sup>\*</sup> See Annex A for reconciliations of non-GAAP measures

#### SUSTAINABILITY EFFORTS

We are pleased to have published our 2020 Sustainability Report highlighting our initiatives in the following areas:



**PEOPLE AND CULTURE** Our people are our greatest strength as a company and the bedrock of our organization. That's why our highest priority is to provide a rewarding workplace that's safe, welcoming and supportive of professional development. We actively look to recruit individuals who are passionate about making a difference at every level. Whether it's through improving business processes or volunteering for charitable causes, we're at our best when each of us seeks to better the lives of those around us. This communal sense of responsibility connects our team worldwide as One XPO.

**MOVING THE WORLD FORWARD** At XPO, we're providing many of the world's most prominent companies with innovative solutions that help them future-proof their supply chains. We believe that great technology in the hands of highly engaged employees is the ultimate way to differentiate our services and deliver tangible value to our customers and investors.

**SAFETY-FIRST COLLABORATION** At XPO, our strong safety culture is rooted in how we think about our company and our personal responsibilities at work. We're a team that looks out for each other, our communities and our environment. Safety is our number one priority – it touches every aspect of our business, every XPO stakeholder and every member of the XPO family.

**GOVERNANCE AND COMPLIANCE** The best way to guarantee our success and the success of our stakeholders is to perform to the highest standards of business conduct – not just with large projects, but in the small ways we interact daily. We're proud that Fortune magazine named XPO one of the World's Most Admired Companies again in 2020. It reflects how others see us and shows that we're earning trust.

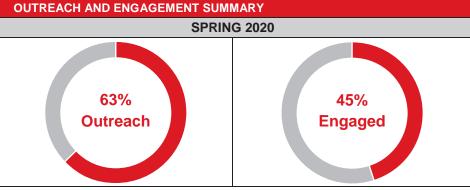
#### 2020 STOCKHOLDER ENGAGEMENT AND RESPONSIVENESS

XPO's Board and management team are committed to engaging with stockholders to ensure our practices continue to align with the long-term interests of our stockholders. The feedback received during these conversations helped inform the company's compensation, sustainability and human capital management.

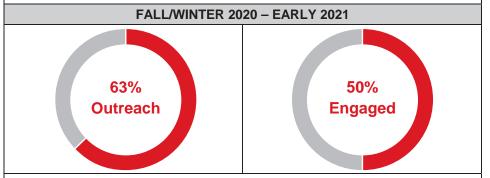
In 2020, XPO engaged with stockholders to discuss our governance, compensation, sustainability and business practices in two separate periods—in the weeks leading up to our 2020 Annual Meeting as well as in the latter months of the year, continuing through early 2021.

#### **Key Engagement Topics**

- Business Strategy, Including Planned Logistics Spin-Off
- Executive Compensation
- Corporate Governance Practices
- Board Composition and Refreshment
- Diversity, Equity and Inclusion
- Sustainability
- Safety and Human Capital Management



In the spring of 2020, we proactively reached out to 24 of our larger institutional investors representing approximately 63% of our common stock, ultimately engaging with stockholders representing 45% of our common stock. The objective of this outreach was to gather feedback on proxy proposals for our 2020 Annual Meeting, as well as our executive compensation program and other governance and corporate sustainability practices.



After making significant enhancements to our executive compensation program as a result of discussions with stockholders in the spring of 2020, we further engaged with stockholders in the fall and winter. We proactively reached out to institutional investors representing approximately 63% of our common stock, ultimately engaging with stockholders representing 50% of our common stock. XPO's independent directors led meetings with eight large stockholders representing approximately 40% of outstanding shares.

Further details about Compensation Committee decisions resulting from stockholder engagement are described in the "Stockholder Outreach and Engagement" section of the Compensation Discussion and Analysis.

#### 2020 COMPENSATION HIGHLIGHTS

The Compensation Committee's pay-for-performance philosophy is focused on rewarding our executives for performance that creates substantial, long-term value for our stockholders. As a result, long-term incentive compensation is tied to ambitious goals for key operational indicators which incentivize our executives to drive long-term stockholder value creation. Over time, our financial and operational results have demonstrated the merits of this philosophy for our stockholders and our granting practices have proven successful in aligning pay outcomes with performance.

During 2020, NEOs acted decisively to navigate through the pandemic by prioritizing the safety of our employees, while ensuring continuity of service for our customers. The leadership of our NEOs and the resilience of our business model preserved value for our stockholders and positioned the company for a dramatic rebound in the second half of the year. As the economy continues to recover, our strengths are aligned with major industry tailwinds that emerged in 2020: logistics automation, the ongoing growth in e-commerce and supply chain outsourcing. Due in large part to the exemplary leadership of our NEOs in 2020, XPO is well-positioned to capitalize on these strategic opportunities. Accordingly, the Compensation Committee took into account the company's strong financial positioning and recovery at 2020 year-end when determining annual short-term incentive compensation.

In connection with the execution of new, four-year employment agreements, in July 2020, long-term incentive awards were granted to Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Cooper and Mr. Harik. The structure of the award incorporates stockholder feedback received prior to our 2020 Annual Meeting. The awards are fully performance-based and include four tranches vesting through January 2026. Each tranche may be earned at a level ranging from zero to 200% of target value, depending on the degree of achievement of goals tied to both absolute and relative adjusted cash flow per share and ESG performance. If a goal for a given tranche is not achieved, the portion of the award associated with that goal will be forfeited. Awards are based on rigorous performance targets, with no payouts for below-target performance.

Further details about executive compensation decisions are described in the "Executive Compensation Elements and Outcomes for 2020" section of the Compensation Discussion and Analysis.

# QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT OUR ANNUAL MEETING

This Proxy Statement sets forth information relating to the solicitation of proxies by the Board of Directors (our "Board of Directors" or our "Board") of XPO Logistics, Inc. ("XPO" or our "company") in connection with our 2021 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "Annual Meeting") or any adjournment or postponement thereof. This Proxy Statement is being furnished by our Board for use at the Annual Meeting to be held on May 11, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time as a webcast due to the public health concerns related to COVID-19. You can access the meeting at <a href="www.meetingcenter.io/260352583">www.meetingcenter.io/260352583</a> with password XPO2021. You will also be required to have a control number to access the Annual Meeting. Please follow the instructions below to receive your control number.

This Proxy Statement and form of proxy are first being mailed on or about April 13, 2021, to our stockholders of record as of the close of business on April 8, 2021 (the "Record Date").

The following answers address some questions you may have regarding our Annual Meeting. These questions and answers may not include all of the information that may be important to you as a stockholder of our company. Please refer to the more detailed information contained elsewhere in this Proxy Statement.

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

We expect that the business put forth for a vote at the Annual Meeting will be as follows:

- To elect eight (8) members of our Board of Directors for a term to expire at the 2022 Annual Meeting of Stockholders or until their successors are duly elected and qualified (Proposal 1);
- To ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP ("KPMG") as our independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal year 2021 (Proposal 2);
- To conduct an advisory vote to approve the executive compensation of our named executive officers ("NEOs") as disclosed in this Proxy Statement (Proposal 3);
- To consider and act upon a stockholder proposal regarding additional disclosure of the company's political activities, if properly presented at the Annual Meeting (Proposal 4);
- To consider and act upon a stockholder proposal regarding the appointment of an independent chairman of the board, if properly presented at the Annual Meeting (Proposal 5);
- To consider and act upon a stockholder proposal regarding the acceleration of executive equity awards in the case of a change in control of the company, if properly presented at the Annual Meeting (Proposal 6); and
- To consider and transact other business as may properly come before the Annual Meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof.

Senior management of XPO and representatives of our outside auditor, KPMG, will be available to respond to appropriate questions.

#### Who can attend and vote at the Annual Meeting?

You are entitled to receive notice of, attend and vote at the Annual Meeting, or any adjournment or postponement thereof, if, as of the close of business on April 8, 2021, the Record Date, you were a holder of record of our common stock or Series A Convertible Perpetual Preferred Stock (the "Series A Preferred Stock").

You will not be able to attend the Annual Meeting in person this year due to COVID-19 safety precautions. You can access the Annual Meeting at <a href="www.meetingcenter.io/260352583">www.meetingcenter.io/260352583</a> with password XPO2021. You will be required to provide the control number on your proxy card to access the Annual Meeting. If the shares of common stock you hold are in an account at a broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee (i.e., in "street name"), you must register in advance to participate in the Annual Meeting, vote electronically and submit questions during the live webcast of the meeting. To register, you must obtain a legal proxy from the bank, broker or other nominee that holds your shares giving you the right to vote the shares. Requests for registration should be directed to Computershare by email at legalproxy@computershare.com no later than 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time, on Thursday, May 6, 2021. You will receive a confirmation of your registration, with a control number, by email from Computershare. At the time of the meeting, go to <a href="www.meetingcenter.io/260352583">www.meetingcenter.io/260352583</a> and enter your control number and the meeting password, XPO2021.

#### Can I ask questions during the Annual Meeting?

Stockholders (or their proxy holders) may submit questions for the Annual Meeting's question and answer session in advance by logging on to the meeting site at <a href="www.meetingcenter.io/260352583">www.meetingcenter.io/260352583</a> with password XPO2021. You will need the control number on your proxy card or confirmation email from Computershare in order to submit a question. Click on the "message" icon at the top of the screen and submit your question. Please provide your name, address (city and state) and organization, and, if applicable, the specific proposal to which your question relates. Questions can be submitted in advance of the Annual Meeting beginning at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Time, on May 10, 2021. Questions may also be submitted during the Annual Meeting through the meeting website. We will answer as many questions during the meeting as time will allow and will group questions together where appropriate.

### How many shares of XPO common stock or Series A Preferred Stock must be present to conduct business at the Annual Meeting?

As of the Record Date, there were 111,676,088 shares of common stock issued and outstanding, with each share entitled to one vote on each matter to come before the Annual Meeting. In addition, each share of Series A Preferred Stock is entitled to vote on each matter to come before the Annual Meeting as if the shares of Series A Preferred Stock were converted into shares of common stock as of the Record Date, meaning that each share of Series A Preferred Stock is entitled to approximately 143 votes on each matter to come before the Annual Meeting. As of the Record Date, there were 40 shares of Series A Preferred Stock issued and outstanding, representing 5,714 votes. In total, 111,681,802 votes are eligible to be cast at the Annual Meeting based on the number of outstanding shares of our common stock and Series A Preferred Stock, voting together as a single class.

A quorum is necessary to hold a valid meeting of stockholders. Pursuant to the company's bylaws, the presence, in person or by proxy, of the holders of a majority of the shares issued and outstanding is necessary for each of the proposals to be presented at the Annual Meeting. Accordingly, holders of shares of our common stock or Series A Preferred Stock outstanding on the Record Date representing 55,840,902 votes must be present at the Annual Meeting. If you vote by internet, telephone or proxy card, the shares you vote will be counted toward the quorum for the Annual Meeting. Abstentions and broker non-votes are counted as present for the purpose of determining a quorum.

#### What are my voting choices?

With respect to the election of directors, you may vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" each of the director nominees, or you may "ABSTAIN" from voting for one or more of such nominees. With respect to the other proposals to be considered at the Annual Meeting, you may vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" or you may "ABSTAIN" from voting on any proposal. If you sign your proxy without giving specific instructions, your shares will be voted in accordance with the recommendations of our Board of Directors with respect to the specific proposals described in this Proxy Statement and at the discretion of the proxy holders on any other matters that properly come before the Annual Meeting.

#### What vote is required to approve the proposals being considered at the Annual Meeting?

■ Proposal 1: Election of eight (8) directors. The election of each of the eight (8) director nominees named in this Proxy Statement requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast (meaning the number of shares voted "for" a nominee must exceed the number of shares voted "against" such nominee) by holders of shares of our common stock (including those shares that would be issued if all of our outstanding Series A Preferred Stock had converted into shares of our common stock as of the Record Date) at the Annual Meeting at which a quorum is present. If any incumbent director standing for re-election receives a greater number of votes "against" his or her election than votes "for" such election, our bylaws require that such person must promptly tender his or her resignation to our Board of Directors. You may not accumulate your votes for the election of directors.

Brokers may not use discretionary authority to vote shares of our common stock on the election of directors if they have not received specific instructions from their clients. If you are a beneficial owner of shares of our common stock, in order for your vote to be counted in the election of directors, you will need to communicate your voting decisions to your bank, broker or other nominee before the date of the Annual Meeting in accordance with their specific instructions. Abstentions and broker non-votes are not considered votes cast for purposes of tabulation and will have no effect on the election of director nominees.

■ Proposal 2: Ratification of the appointment of KPMG LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal year 2021. Ratification of the appointment of KPMG as our independent registered public accounting firm for the year ending December 31, 2021 requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast (meaning the number of shares voted "for" such proposal must exceed the number of shares voted "against" such proposal) by holders of shares of our common stock (including those shares that would be issued if all our outstanding Series A Preferred Stock had converted into shares of our common stock as of the Record Date) at the Annual Meeting at which a quorum is present. Abstentions are not considered votes cast for purposes of tabulation and will have no effect on the proposed ratification of KPMG. We do not expect any broker non-votes, as brokers have discretionary authority to vote on this proposal.

■ Proposal 3: Advisory vote to approve executive compensation. Advisory approval of the resolution on executive compensation of our NEOs as disclosed in this Proxy Statement requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast (meaning the number of shares voted "for" such proposal must exceed the number of shares voted "against" such proposal) by holders of shares of our common stock (including those shares that would be issued if all our outstanding Series A Preferred Stock had converted into shares of our common stock as of the Record Date) at the Annual Meeting at which a quorum is present. This resolution, commonly referred to as a "say-on-pay" resolution, is not binding on our Board of Directors. Although non-binding, our Board and the Compensation Committee will consider the voting results when making future decisions regarding our executive compensation program.

Brokers may not use discretionary authority to vote shares of our common stock on the advisory vote to approve executive compensation if they have not received specific instructions from their clients. If you are a beneficial owner of shares of our common stock, in order for your vote to be counted in the advisory vote to approve executive compensation, you will need to communicate your voting decisions to your bank, broker or other nominee before the date of the Annual Meeting in accordance with their specific instructions. Abstentions and broker non-votes are not considered votes cast for purposes of tabulation and will have no effect on the advisory vote to approve executive compensation.

■ Proposal 4: Stockholder proposal regarding additional disclosure of the company's political activities. Approval of a requirement that the company issue an annual report disclosing the company's political activities and related expenditures requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast (meaning the number of shares voted "for" such proposal must exceed the number of shares voted "against" such proposal) by holders of shares of our common stock (including those shares that would be issued if all our outstanding Series A Preferred Stock had converted into shares of our common stock as of the Record Date) at the Annual Meeting at which a quorum is present.

Brokers may not use discretionary authority to vote shares of our common stock on this stockholder proposal if they have not received specific instructions from their clients. If you are a beneficial owner of shares of our common stock, for your vote to be counted for or against the stockholder proposal, you will need to communicate your voting decision to your bank, broker or other nominee before the date of the Annual Meeting in accordance with their specific instructions. Abstentions and broker non-votes are not considered votes cast for purposes of tabulation and will have no effect on the vote on this stockholder proposal.

■ Proposal 5: Stockholder proposal regarding the requirement that the chairman of the board be an independent director. Approval of a policy requiring that the chairman of the board of directors be appointed from among independent directors requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast (meaning the number of shares voted "for" such proposal must exceed the number of shares voted "against" such proposal) by holders of shares of our common stock (including those shares that would be issued if all our outstanding Series A Preferred Stock had converted into shares of our common stock as of the Record Date) at the Annual Meeting at which a guorum is present.

Brokers may not use discretionary authority to vote shares of our common stock on this stockholder proposal if they have not received specific instructions from their clients. If you are a beneficial owner of shares of our common stock, for your vote to be counted for or against the stockholder proposal, you will need to communicate your voting decision to your bank, broker or other nominee before the date of the Annual Meeting in accordance with their specific instructions. Abstentions and broker non-votes are not considered votes cast for purposes of tabulation and will have no effect on the vote on this stockholder proposal.

■ Proposal 6: Stockholder proposal regarding acceleration of executive equity awards in the case of a change in control. Approval of a policy requiring that there shall be no acceleration of vesting of senior executive officers' equity awards in the event of a change in control of the company requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast (meaning the number of shares voted "for" such proposal must exceed the number of shares voted "against" such proposal) by holders of shares of our common stock (including those shares that would be issued if all our outstanding Series A Preferred Stock had converted into shares of our common stock as of the Record Date) at the Annual Meeting at which a quorum is present.

Brokers may not use discretionary authority to vote shares of our common stock on this stockholder proposal if they have not received specific instructions from their clients. If you are a beneficial owner of shares of our common stock, for your vote to be counted for or against the stockholder proposal, you will need to communicate your voting decision to your bank, broker or other nominee before the date of the Annual Meeting in accordance with their specific instructions. Abstentions and broker non-votes are not considered votes cast for purposes of tabulation and will have no effect on the vote on this stockholder proposal.

In general, other business properly brought before the Annual Meeting at which a quorum is present requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast (meaning the number of shares voted "for" such proposal must exceed the number of shares voted "against" such proposal) by holders of shares of our common stock (including those shares that would be issued if all our outstanding Series A Preferred Stock had converted into shares of our common stock as of the Record Date).

#### How does the Board of Directors recommend that I vote?

Our Board of Directors, after careful consideration, recommends that our stockholders vote "FOR" the election of each director nominee named in this Proxy Statement, "FOR" ratification of KPMG as our independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal year 2021, "FOR" the advisory approval of the resolution to approve executive compensation, "AGAINST" the approval of the stockholder proposal regarding additional disclosure of the company's political activities, if such proposal is properly presented at the meeting; "AGAINST" the approval of the stockholder proposal regarding the requirement that the chairman of the board be an independent director, if such proposal is properly presented at the meeting; and "AGAINST" the approval of the stockholder proposal regarding acceleration of executive equity awards in the case of a change in control, if such proposal is properly presented at the meeting.

#### What do I need to do now?

We urge you to read this Proxy Statement carefully, then vote via internet or by telephone by following the instructions on the proxy card, or mail your completed, dated and signed proxy card in the enclosed return envelope as soon as possible, so that your shares of our common stock can be voted at the Annual Meeting.

#### How do I cast my vote?

**Registered Stockholders.** If you are a registered stockholder (i.e., you hold your shares in your own name through our transfer agent, Computershare Trust Company, N.A., and not through a broker, bank or other nominee that holds shares for your account in "street name"), you may vote by proxy via internet or by telephone by following the instructions provided on the proxy card, or mail your completed, dated and signed proxy card in the enclosed return envelope. Proxies submitted via internet or by telephone must be received by 1:00 a.m. Eastern Time on May 11, 2021. Please see the proxy card provided to you for instructions on how to submit your proxy via internet or by telephone. Stockholders of record who attend the Annual Meeting may vote directly at the Annual Meeting by following the instructions provided during the Annual Meeting.

**Beneficial Owners.** If you are a beneficial owner of shares (i.e., your shares are held in the name of a brokerage firm, bank or a trustee), you may vote by proxy by following the instructions provided in the voting instruction form or other materials provided to you by the brokerage firm, bank or other nominee that holds your shares. To vote directly at the Annual Meeting, you must obtain a legal proxy from the brokerage firm, bank or other nominee that holds your shares. Follow the instructions provided above to obtain a control number and the voting instructions provided during the Annual Meeting.

#### What is the deadline to vote?

If you hold shares as the stockholder of record, your vote by proxy must be received before the polls close at the Annual Meeting. As indicated on the proxy card provided to you, proxies submitted via internet or by telephone must be received by 1:00 a.m. Eastern Time on May 11, 2021.

If you are the beneficial owner of shares of our common stock, please follow the voting instructions provided by your broker, trustee or other nominee.

### What happens if I do not respond, or if I respond and fail to indicate my voting preference, or if I abstain from voting?

If you fail to vote via internet or by telephone as indicated on your proxy card, or fail to properly sign, date and return your proxy card, your shares will not be counted towards establishing a quorum for the Annual Meeting, which requires holders representing a majority of the outstanding shares of our common stock (including those that would be issued if all of our outstanding Series A Preferred Stock had converted into shares of our common stock as of the Record Date) to be present in person or by proxy.

Failure to vote, assuming the presence of a quorum, will have no effect on the tabulation of the votes on the proposals. If you are a stockholder of record and you properly sign, date and return your proxy card, but do not indicate your voting preference, we will count your proxy as a vote "FOR" the election of the eight nominees for director named in "Proposal 1—Election of Directors," "FOR" ratification of KPMG as our independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal year 2021, "FOR" advisory approval of the resolution to approve executive compensation, "AGAINST" the approval of the stockholder proposal regarding additional disclosure of the company's political activities, if such proposal is properly presented at the meeting; "AGAINST" the approval of the stockholder proposal regarding the requirement that the chairman of the board be an independent director, if such proposal is properly presented at the meeting; and "AGAINST" the approval of the stockholder proposal regarding acceleration of executive equity awards in the case of a change in control, if such proposal is properly presented at the meeting.

### If my shares are held in "street name" by my broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee, will my broker or other nominee vote my shares for me?

You should instruct your broker or other nominee on how to vote your shares of our common stock using the instructions they provide to you. Brokers or other nominees who hold shares of our common stock in "street name" for customers are prevented by the rules set forth in the Listed Company Manual (the "NYSE Rules") of the New York Stock Exchange (the "NYSE") from exercising voting discretion with respect to non-routine or contested matters (i.e., they must receive specific voting instructions from a stockholder in order to vote that stockholder's shares on non-routine or contested matters). Shares not voted by a broker or other nominee, because they did not receive specific voting instructions from the stockholder on one or more proposals, are referred to as "broker non-votes."

We expect that when the NYSE determines whether each of the six proposals to be voted on at our Annual Meeting is a routine or non-routine matter, only "Proposal 2—Ratification of the Appointment of KPMG LLP as Our Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for Fiscal Year 2021" will be determined to be routine. It is important that you instruct your broker or other nominee on how to vote your shares of our common stock held in "street name" by following the instructions provided to you by your broker or other nominee.

#### What if I want to change my vote?

Whether you attend the Annual Meeting or not, you may revoke a proxy at any time before your proxy is voted at the Annual Meeting. You may do so by properly delivering a later-dated proxy either via internet, by telephone, by mail, or by attending the Annual Meeting virtually and voting. Please note, however, that your attendance at the Annual Meeting will not automatically revoke any prior proxy, unless you vote again at the Annual Meeting or specifically request in writing that your prior proxy be revoked. You also may revoke your proxy by delivering a notice of revocation to our company (Attention: Secretary, XPO Logistics, Inc., Five American Lane, Greenwich, Connecticut 06831) prior to the vote at the Annual Meeting. If you hold your shares through a broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee, you should follow the instructions of your broker or other nominee regarding revocation of proxies.

#### How will the persons named as proxies vote?

If you are a registered stockholder (i.e., you hold your shares of our common stock in your own name through our transfer agent, Computershare Trust Company, N.A., and not through a broker, bank or other nominee that holds shares for your account in "street name") and you complete and submit a proxy, the persons named as proxies will follow your instructions. If you submit a proxy but do not provide voting instructions, or if your instructions are unclear, the persons named as proxies will vote as recommended by our Board of Directors or, if no recommendation is given, by using their own discretion.

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

We intend to announce preliminary voting results at the Annual Meeting and will publish final results on a Current Report on Form 8-K to be filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") within four (4) business days after the Annual Meeting. The Current Report on Form 8-K will also be available on the internet at our website, www.xpo.com.

#### Who will pay for the cost of soliciting proxies?

The company will pay for the cost of soliciting proxies. We have engaged Innisfree M&A Incorporated to assist us in soliciting proxies in connection with the Annual Meeting and have agreed to pay them approximately \$15,000 plus their expenses for providing such services. Our directors, officers and other employees, without additional compensation, may solicit proxies personally, in writing, by telephone, by e-mail or otherwise. As is customary, we will reimburse brokerage firms, fiduciaries, voting trustees and other nominees for forwarding our proxy materials to each beneficial owner of shares of our common stock or Series A Preferred Stock held of the Record Date through them.

#### What is "householding" and how does it affect me?

In cases where multiple company stockholders share the same address, and the shares are held through a bank, broker or other holder of record ("street-name stockholders"), only one copy of our proxy materials will be delivered to that address unless a stockholder at that address requests otherwise. This practice, known as "householding," is intended to reduce our printing and postage costs. However, any such street-name stockholders residing at the same address who wish to receive a separate copy of our proxy materials may request a copy by contacting their bank, broker or other holder of record, or by sending a written request to: Investor Relations, XPO Logistics, Inc., Five American Lane, Greenwich, Connecticut 06831, or by contacting Investor Relations by telephone at 1-855-976-6951. The voting instruction form sent to a street-name stockholder should provide information on how to request a separate copy of future materials for each company stockholder at that address, if that is your preference.

#### Can I obtain an electronic copy of the company's proxy materials?

Yes, this Proxy Statement and our 2020 Annual Report are available on the internet at www.edocumentview.com/XPO.

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

### AN OVERVIEW OF OUR MISSION AND HOW OUR BOARD COMPOSITION IS ALIGNED WITH OUR STRATEGY

Our mission is to be the leading provider of cutting-edge supply chain solutions to the most successful companies in the world and help our customers manage their goods most efficiently throughout their supply chains. We run our business on a global basis, with more than 50,000 customers served by over 100,000 employees and 1,629 locations in 30 countries, primarily in North America and Europe.

Our business has two segments, transportation and logistics—each has robust service offerings, leadership positions and growth prospects. Our transportation segment primarily provides less-than-truckload (LTL) and truck brokerage services in North America and Europe. We are a top three provider of LTL services in North America, and we have one of the largest LTL networks in Western Europe. In addition, we are the second largest truck brokerage provider globally. Our logistics segment provides order fulfillment and other distribution services differentiated by our ability to deliver technology-enabled, customized solutions. We are the second largest logistics company in the world, with one of the largest outsourced e-commerce fulfilment platforms. Our logistics customers include many preeminent companies that benefit from our scale, automation and range of vertical expertise. Our blueprint for transforming supply chain management is rooted in innovation and revolves around our people. We care deeply about keeping our employees and customers happy, and we view safety, sustainability, strong governance and a purpose-driven culture as essential components of value creation. In addition, our company is a leading proponent of supply chain technology, with a global team of technologists and data scientists who concentrate their efforts in four areas of innovation: automation and intelligent machines; visibility and customer service; our proprietary digital transportation platform; and dynamic data science.

Our Board of Directors consists of a highly skilled group of leaders who share our values and reflect our culture. Many of our directors have served as executive officers or board members of major companies and have an extensive understanding of the principles of corporate governance. In addition, our directors have a strong owner orientation—as of the Record Date, approximately 17.5% of the voting power of our capital stock is held by our directors or by entities or persons related to our directors. As described on page 19, our Board as a whole has extensive expertise in the following skill sets, all of which are relevant to our company, business, industry and strategy:

- Business operations;
- Corporate governance;
- Customer service:
- Environmental sustainability and corporate responsibility;
- Effective capital allocation;
- Critical analysis of corporate financial statements and capital structures;
- Human resource management;
- Multinational corporate management;
- Sales and marketing;
- Mergers and acquisitions, integration and optimization;
- The transportation and logistics industry;
- Risk management;
- Talent management and engagement; and
- Technology and information systems.

#### **DIRECTORS**

Our Board of Directors currently consists of eight (8) members as set forth in the table below. The current term of each of our directors will expire at the 2021 Annual Meeting. Our Board has nominated all of the current directors to stand for election at the Annual Meeting, as set forth in Proposal 1 on page 66 of this Proxy Statement.

Name	Occupation
Brad Jacobs	Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, XPO Logistics, Inc.
Gena Ashe	General Counsel and Corporate Secretary, Anterix Inc.
Marlene Colucci	Executive Director, The Business Council
AnnaMaria DeSalva	Vice Chairman, XPO Logistics, Inc.; Global Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Hill+Knowlton Strategies
Michael Jesselson	Lead Independent Director, XPO Logistics, Inc.; President and Chief Executive Officer, Jesselson Capital Corporation
Adrian Kingshott	Chief Executive Officer, AdSon, LLC; Managing Director, Spotlight Advisors, LLC
Jason Papastavrou	Founder and Chief Investment Officer, ARIS Capital Management, LLC
Oren Shaffer	Former Vice Chairman and Chief Financial Officer, Qwest Communications International, Inc.

Under the terms of an Investment Agreement, dated June 13, 2011 (the "Investment Agreement"), by and among Jacobs Private Equity, LLC ("JPE"), the other investors party thereto (collectively with JPE, the "Investors"), and our company, JPE has the right to designate certain percentages of the nominees for our Board of Directors so long as JPE owns securities representing specified percentages of the total voting power of our capital stock on a fully-diluted basis. JPE does not currently own securities representing the required voting power to qualify for the right to designate nominees for our Board of Directors. The foregoing rights of JPE under the Investment Agreement are in addition to, and not in limitation of, JPE's voting rights as a holder of capital stock of our company. JPE is controlled by Brad Jacobs, our chairman and chief executive officer. The Investment Agreement and the terms contemplated therein were approved by our stockholders at a special meeting on September 1, 2011.

None of the foregoing will prevent our Board of Directors from acting in accordance with its fiduciary duties or applicable law or stock exchange requirements or from acting in good faith in accordance with our governing documents, while giving due consideration to the intent of the Investment Agreement.

Set forth below is information regarding each of our director nominees, including the experience, qualifications, attributes or skills that led our Board to conclude that each such nominee should serve as a director.

#### **Brad Jacobs**

Chairman and Director since 2011

**Age:** 64

Mr. Jacobs has served as our chief executive officer and chairman of our Board of Directors since September 2, 2011. Mr. Jacobs is also the managing member of JPE, which is our largest stockholder. Prior to XPO, Mr. Jacobs led two public companies: United Rentals, Inc. (NYSE: URI), which he founded in 1997, and United Waste Systems, Inc., which he founded in 1989. Mr. Jacobs served as chairman and chief executive officer of United Rentals for that company's first six years, and as its executive chairman for an additional four years. He served eight years as chairman and chief executive officer of United Waste Systems.

**Board Committees: None** 

Other Public Company Boards: None

#### Mr. Jacobs brings to the Board:

- In-depth knowledge of the company's business resulting from his years of service with the company as its chief executive officer;
- Leadership experience as the company's chairman and chief executive officer, and a successful track record of leading companies that execute strategies similar to ours; and
- Extensive past experience as the chairman of the board of directors of several public companies.

Age: 59

Ms. Ashe has served as a director of the company since March 21, 2016. She has served as the general counsel and corporate secretary of Anterix Inc. since July 2019, and as the president and chief executive officer of GLA Legal Advisory Group, LLC since February 2018. She was senior vice president, chief legal officer and corporate secretary of Adtalem Global Education Inc. (NYSE: ATGE) from May 2017 to February 2018, and executive vice president, chief legal officer, and corporate secretary of BrightView Landscapes, LLC (formerly The Brickman Group, Ltd. LLC) from December 2012 to June 2016. Ms. Ashe has served as vice-chairman of the Supervisory Board of XPO Logistics Europe S.A., our majority-owned subsidiary, since February 2017. In addition, she has served as a director of the Executive Leadership Council since February 2020 and American Landscape Partners, LLC since January 2021. Ms. Ashe holds a juris doctorate degree from Georgetown University Law Center, where she serves on the Georgetown Law Advisory Board, a master's degree in electrical engineering from Georgia Institute of Technology and a bachelor's degree in mathematics from Spelman College, where she sits on the Board of Trustees. She has completed the executive development program at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania and holds a certificate in international management from Oxford University in England.

#### **Board Committees:**

- Member of Audit Committee
- Member of Acquisition Committee

#### Other Public Company Boards: None

#### Ms. Ashe brings to the Board:

- More than two decades of valuable legal experience with public and private companies, enabling her to provide guidance to the Board and management on legal matters, compliance and risk assessment and corporate governance best practices; and
- An in-depth understanding of the dynamics of three of our most important customer verticals: e-commerce, technology and food and beverage.

#### Marlene Colucci

Independent Director since 2019

**Age:** 58

Ms. Colucci has served as a director of the company since February 7, 2019. She has served as the executive director of The Business Council in Washington, D.C. since July 2013. Previously, from September 2005 to June 2013, she was executive vice president of public policy for the American Hotel & Lodging Association. From September 2003 to June 2005, she served in the White House as special assistant to President George W. Bush in the Office of Domestic Policy. In this role, she developed labor, transportation and postal reform policies and advised the president and his staff on related matters. Earlier, Ms. Colucci served as deputy assistant secretary with the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs. Her law career includes more than 12 years with the firm of Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP, where she served as senior counsel. She holds a juris doctorate degree from the Georgetown University Law Center.

#### **Board Committees:**

- Member of Compensation Committee
- Member of Acquisition Committee

#### Other Public Company Boards: None

#### Ms. Colucci brings to the Board:

- Significant experience with public policy development, including labor and transportation policy, from over two decades
  of relevant government and private sector experience; and
- Meaningful perspectives on matters of corporate governance and business operations from her tenure leading the premier association of chief executive officers of the world's most important business enterprises.

#### AnnaMaria DeSalva

Independent Director since 2017

Age: 52 Vice Chairman since 2019

Ms. DeSalva has served as a director of the company since September 19, 2017 and vice chairman of the Board since February 7, 2019. She has served as global chairman and chief executive officer of Hill+Knowlton Strategies since June 2019. Prior to that, Ms. DeSalva served as chief communications officer of E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. (DuPont) from March 2014 to January 2018, then as senior advisor to the CEO of DowDuPont until February 2019. Previously, she served as vice president of corporate affairs for biopharmaceutical innovation at Pfizer; was an advisor to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration; and led the global healthcare practice of Hill & Knowlton. For Bristol-Myers Squibb, she led global public affairs for the oncology business and served as the director of the Bristol-Myers Squibb Foundation. Ms. DeSalva serves on the board of governors of Argonne National Laboratory of the U.S. Department of Energy and is a member of its compensation and nominating committees. She is a member of The Economic Club of New York, The Partnership for New York City, and the Paley International Council, and a Trustee of the Committee for Economic Development of The Conference Board. Ms. DeSalva also serves on the boards of directors of the non-profit Project Sunshine and the William & Mary Alumni Association. She is a graduate of The College of William & Mary in Williamsburg, Virginia, where she serves as executive in residence at the Raymond A. Mason School of Business. Ms. DeSalva has completed the Harvard School of Public Health's executive education program in risk communication. and the Advanced Health Leadership Program jointly offered by the University of California at Berkeley and Pompeu University in Barcelona, Spain.

#### **Board Committees:**

■ Chairman of Nominating, Corporate Governance and Sustainability Committee

Other Public Company Boards: None

#### Ms. DeSalva brings to the Board:

- Global perspective as the chief executive officer of a multinational organization serving clients across almost every sector of the world economy; and
- Significant experience in corporate affairs, regulatory affairs and corporate social responsibility, having previously served in senior leadership roles at several public companies.

#### Michael Jesselson

Independent Director since 2011

**Age:** 69

Lead Independent Director since 2016

Mr. Jesselson has served as a director of the company since September 2, 2011 and as lead independent director since March 20, 2016. He has been president and chief executive officer of Jesselson Capital Corporation since 1994, and became a director of Ascendant Digital Acquisition Corp. (NYSE: ACND) in July 2020. Mr. Jesselson served as a director of American Eagle Outfitters, Inc. (NYSE: AEO) from November 1997 to May 2017, most recently as its lead independent director. Earlier, he worked at Philipp Brothers, a division of Engelhard Industries from 1972 to 1981, then at Salomon Brothers Inc. in the financial trading sector. He is a director of C-III Capital Partners LLC, Clarity Capital and other private companies, as well as numerous philanthropic organizations. Mr. Jesselson also serves as the chairman of Bar Ilan University in Israel. He attended New York University School of Engineering.

#### **Board Committees:**

- Member of Audit Committee
- Member of Compensation Committee
- Member of Nominating, Corporate Governance and Sustainability Committee

Other Public Company Boards: Ascendant Digital Acquisition Corp. (NYSE: ACND)

#### Mr. Jesselson brings to the Board:

- Significant experience with public company governance through prior service on the board of directors of American Eagle Outfitters, including as its lead independent director; and
- Extensive investment expertise.

#### **Adrian Kingshott**

Independent Director since 2011

**Age:** 61

Mr. Kingshott has served as a director of the company since September 2, 2011. He has served as the chief executive officer of AdSon, LLC since October 2005, managing director of Spotlight Advisors, LLC since September 2015 and a member of the board of directors of Centre Lane Investment Corp. since May 2011. Mr. Kingshott was a senior advisor to Headwaters Merchant Bank from 2013 until June 2018. Previously, with Goldman Sachs, he was co-head of the firm's Global Leveraged Finance business and held other positions over a 17-year tenure. More recently, Mr. Kingshott was a managing director and portfolio manager at Amaranth Advisors, LLC. He is an adjunct professor of Global Capital Markets and Investments at Fordham University's Gabelli School of Business. He holds a master's degree in business administration from Harvard Business School and a master of jurisprudence degree from Oxford University.

#### **Board Committees:**

■ Chairman of Acquisition Committee

#### Other Public Company Boards: None

#### Mr. Kingshott brings to the Board:

- More than 25 years of experience in the investment banking and investment management industries; and
- Expertise with respect to corporate governance, acquisition transactions, debt and equity financing and corporate financial management issues.

#### Jason Papastavrou, Ph.D.

Independent Director since 2011

Age: 58

Dr. Papastavrou has served as a director of the company since September 2, 2011. He founded ARIS Capital Management, LLC in 2004 and serves as its chief investment officer. Previously, Dr. Papastavrou was the founder and managing director of the Fund of Hedge Funds Strategies Group of Banc of America Capital Management (BACAP), president of BACAP Alternative Advisors, and a senior portfolio manager with Deutsche Asset Management. He was a tenured professor at Purdue University School of Industrial Engineering and holds a doctorate in electrical engineering and computer science from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Dr. Papastavrou served on the board of directors of United Rentals, Inc. (NYSE: URI) from April 2005 to May 2020.

#### **Board Committees:**

- Chairman of Compensation Committee
- Member of Audit Committee
- Member of Nominating, Corporate Governance and Sustainability Committee

#### Other Public Company Boards: None

#### Dr. Papastavrou brings to the Board:

- Financial expertise related to his qualifications as an "audit committee financial expert" under SEC regulations; and
- Extensive experience with finance and risk-related matters, from holding senior positions at investment management firms.

#### **Oren Shaffer**

Independent Director since 2011

**Age:** 78

Mr. Shaffer has served as a director of the company since September 2, 2011. From 2002 to 2007, Mr. Shaffer was vice chairman and chief financial officer of Qwest Communications International, Inc. (now CenturyLink, Inc.). Previously, Mr. Shaffer was president and chief operating officer of Sorrento Networks, Inc., executive vice president and chief financial officer of Ameritech Corporation, and held senior executive positions with The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company, where he also served on the board of directors. Additionally, Mr. Shaffer served as a director on the board of Terex Corporation from 2007 until May 2019. He holds a master's degree in management from the Sloan School of Management, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and a degree in finance and business administration from the University of California, Berkeley.

#### **Board Committees:**

■ Chairman of Audit Committee

Other Public Company Boards: None

#### Mr. Shaffer brings to the Board:

- Senior financial, operational and strategic experience with various large companies;
- Corporate governance expertise from serving as director of various public companies; and
- Financial expertise related to his gualifications as an "audit committee financial expert" under SEC regulations.

#### SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE OF DIRECTOR NOMINEES

	Brad Jacobs	Gena Ashe	Marlene Colucci	AnnaMaria DeSalva	Michael Jesselson	Adrian Kingshott	Jason Papastavrou, Ph.D.	Oren Shaffer
BUSINESS OPERATIONS experience provides a practical understanding of developing, implementing and assessing our operating plan and business strategy.	✓	✓	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓	✓
CORPORATE GOVERNANCE experience bolsters Board and management accountability, transparency and a focus on stockholder interests.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	<b>√</b>	✓	✓
CUSTOMER SERVICE experience brings an important perspective to our Board given the importance of customer retention to our business model.	✓	✓		✓	✓			
ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY AND CORPORATE RESPONSIBILITY experience allows our Board's oversight to guide our long-term value creation for stockholders in a way that is sustainable.	✓	✓	✓	<b>√</b>	✓			
<b>EFFECTIVE CAPITAL ALLOCATION</b> experience is crucial to our Board's evaluation of our financial statements and capital structure.	$\checkmark$				✓	✓	✓	<b>√</b>
CRITICAL ANALYSIS OF CORPORATE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND CAPITAL STRUCTURES experience assists our directors in overseeing our financial reporting and internal controls.	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	<b>√</b>
HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT experience allows our Board to further our goals of making XPO an inclusive workplace and aligning human resources objectives with our strategic and operational priorities.	✓	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>	✓			
MULTINATIONAL CORPORATE MANAGEMENT experience informs the Board's strategic thinking, given the global nature of our business.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	<b>√</b>	✓	✓
SALES AND MARKETING experience helps our Board assist with our business strategy and with developing new services and operations.	✓	✓		✓				
MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS, INTEGRATION AND OPTIMIZATION experience helps our company identify the optimal strategic opportunities for profitable growth and realize synergies.	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
TRANSPORTATION AND LOGISTICS INDUSTRY experience is important in understanding our competitive environment and market positioning.	✓						✓	
RISK MANAGEMENT experience is critical to our Board's role in overseeing the risks facing our company, including mitigation measures.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
TALENT MANAGEMENT AND ENGAGEMENT experience helps our company attract, motivate and retain top candidates for leadership roles and innovation teams.	✓	✓	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	✓
<b>TECHNOLOGY AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS</b> experience provides valuable insights as we continually seek to enhance customer outcomes and internal operations.	✓	✓		✓				

#### ROLE OF THE BOARD AND BOARD LEADERSHIP STRUCTURE

Our business and affairs are managed under the direction of our Board of Directors, which is our company's ultimate decision-making body, except with respect to those matters reserved to our stockholders. Our Board's primary responsibility is to seek to maximize long-term stockholder value. Our Board establishes our overall corporate policies, selects and evaluates our senior management team, which is charged with the conduct of our business, monitors the performance of our company and management, and provides advice and counsel to management. In fulfilling the Board's responsibilities, our directors have full access to our management, internal and external auditors and outside advisors.

Furthermore, our Board of Directors is committed to independent Board oversight. Our current Board leadership structure includes an executive chairman as well as a lead independent director and an independent vice chairman. The positions of chairman of the Board and chief executive officer are both currently held by Mr. Jacobs. Our Board believes that this combination of roles is appropriate because the structure enables decisive leadership and ensures clear accountability in the context of strong Board practices and a Board culture that facilitates independent oversight. On December 2, 2020, Mr. Jacobs underscored his commitment to maximizing shareholder value when XPO announced that the Board had authorized company management to pursue a plan to spin off XPO's logistics business into an independent, publicly-traded company. The planned spinoff demonstrates Mr. Jacobs' ability to focus on creating value for stockholders and also remain intensely committed to the satisfaction of our customers and employees. Our Board believes the dual roles function well for our company based on our current strategy, governance and ownership structure.

To further strengthen its independent decision-making, our Board has approved a set of Corporate Governance Guidelines (the "Guidelines"), which provide that the independent directors may appoint a lead independent director who presides over executive sessions of the independent directors, and who shall serve a term of at least one year. The position of lead independent director has been structured to serve as an effective balance to the dual roles served by Mr. Jacobs, and to include, among other duties: (i) presiding at all meetings of the Board of Directors at which the chairman is not present; (ii) presiding at all executive sessions of the independent directors, which must take place at least once a year without members of management present; and (iii) calling additional meetings of the independent directors as necessary. In practice, in 2020, our independent directors met in executive sessions much more frequently. The lead independent director also serves as a liaison between the chairman and the independent directors. Together with the chairman, the lead independent director approves Board meeting agendas, meeting schedules and meeting materials to be distributed to our Board of Directors in order to ensure sufficient time for informed discussion of issues. The lead independent director is also available to meet with significant stockholders as required. On March 20, 2016, the independent directors appointed Mr. Jesselson to serve as lead independent director.

In addition, on February 7, 2019, the Board established an independent vice chairman position as part of its ongoing commitment to strong corporate governance. The position of vice chairman is defined as an independent director with authorities and duties that include, among others: (i) presiding at meetings of the Board where the chairman and lead independent director are not present; (ii) assisting the chairman, when appropriate, in carrying out his or her duties; (iii) assisting the lead independent director, when appropriate, in carrying out his or her duties; and (iv) such other duties, responsibilities and assistance as the Board or the chairman may determine. Ms. DeSalva was appointed to serve as vice chairman on February 7, 2019, to provide support on key governance matters and stockholder engagement to the chairman, lead independent director and the Board.

Further information regarding the positions of lead independent director and vice chairman is set forth in the Guidelines. The Guidelines are available on the company's corporate website at www.xpo.com under the Investors tab.

Our Board of Directors held 20 meetings during 2020. Each person currently serving as a director attended at least 93% of the Board meetings, as well as the meetings of any committee(s) on which he or she served. In addition, during 2020, our Board of Directors acted twice via unanimous written consent.

Our directors are expected to attend our annual meetings. Any director who is unable to attend is expected to notify the chairman of the Board in advance of the meeting date. All of our directors serving and standing for re-election attended the 2020 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

#### **BOARD RISK OVERSIGHT**

Our Board of Directors provides overall risk oversight, with a focus on the most significant risks facing our company. In addition, the Board is responsible for ensuring that appropriate crisis management and business continuity plans are in place. The management of risks to our business, and the execution of contingency plans, are primarily the responsibility of our senior management team.

Our Board and senior management team regularly discuss the company's business strategy, operations, policies, controls, prospects, and current and potential risks. These discussions include approaches for assessing, monitoring, mitigating and controlling risk exposure. The Board has delegated responsibility for the oversight of specific risks special committees as follows:

- Audit Committee. The Audit Committee oversees the policies that govern the process by which our exposure to risk is assessed and managed by management. In that role, the Audit Committee discusses major financial risk exposures with our management and discusses the steps that management has taken to monitor and control these exposures. Additionally, the Audit Committee is responsible for reviewing risks arising from related party transactions involving our company, and for overseeing our companywide Code of Business Ethics and overall compliance with legal and regulatory requirements.
- Compensation Committee. The Compensation Committee monitors the risks associated with our compensation philosophy and programs. The Committee ensures that the company's compensation structure strikes an appropriate balance in motivating our senior executives to deliver long-term results for the company's stockholders, while simultaneously holding our senior leadership team accountable.
- Nominating, Corporate Governance and Sustainability Committee. The Nominating, Corporate Governance and Sustainability Committee oversees risks related to our governance structure and processes, as well as risks associated with the company's corporate sustainability practices and reporting.
- Acquisition Committee. The Acquisition Committee oversees risks related to the execution of our acquisition strategy.

To navigate the evolving COVID-19 pandemic, we assembled a cross-disciplinary crisis management team that includes all of our executive officers. This team oversees the management of COVID-19 risks to employee health and safety, which is paramount, and to our business operations and financial condition. Board members receive frequent updates from the crisis management team at formal Board meetings and through informal direct participation in crisis management team meetings. Among other topics, these updates cover the measures we are taking to address the risk of transmission of COVID-19 among our employees and the wider communities in which we operate, as well as our COVID-related communications with employees, customers and other company stakeholders.

In addition, the Board periodically holds special sessions to evaluate topical trends identified as significant risks or items of strategic interest, such as human resources management, information technology and cyber security. The Board is committed to ensuring that our company has the resources and infrastructure necessary to appropriately address all significant risks.

#### COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Our Board of Directors has established four separately designated, standing committees to assist the Board in discharging its responsibilities: the Audit Committee, the Compensation Committee, the Nominating, Corporate Governance and Sustainability Committee, and the Acquisition Committee. Each of these committees has a written charter that complies with applicable SEC rules and with the NYSE Listed Company Manual. These charters are available at <a href="www.xpo.com">www.xpo.com</a>. You may obtain a printed copy of any of these charters, without charge, by sending a request to: Secretary, XPO Logistics, Inc., Five American Lane, Greenwich, Connecticut 06831.

The Audit Committee, the Compensation Committee and the Nominating, Corporate Governance and Sustainability Committee are each composed entirely of independent directors within all applicable standards, as discussed below. Our Board's general policy is to review and approve committee assignments annually. After consulting with our Board chairman and considering member qualifications, the Nominating, Corporate Governance and Sustainability Committee is responsible for recommending to our Board all committee assignments, including the roles of committee chairmen. Each committee is authorized to retain, in its sole authority, its own outside counsel and other advisors at the company's expense as it desires. Also, each committee may form and delegate authority to subcommittees when appropriate. Our Board may eliminate or create additional committees as it deems appropriate.

The following table sets forth the membership of each of our Board committees as of the Record Date. Mr. Jacobs does not serve on any Board committees.

Name	Audit Committee	Compensation Committee	Nominating, Corporate Governance and Sustainability Committee	Acquisition Committee
Gena Ashe	✓			✓
Marlene Colucci		✓		✓
AnnaMaria DeSalva			С	
Michael Jesselson	✓	/	✓	
Adrian Kingshott				С
Jason Papastavrou*	✓	С	✓	
Oren Shaffer*	С			

 $\mathbf{C} = \text{Committee chairman}$   $\mathbf{V} = \text{Committee member}$ 

\* = Audit Committee Financial Expert

A brief summary of the committees' responsibilities follows:

**Audit Committee.** Our Audit Committee has been established in accordance with Section 3(a)(58)(A) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), to assist our Board of Directors in fulfilling its responsibilities in a number of areas, including, without limitation, oversight of: (i) our accounting and financial reporting processes, including our systems of internal controls and disclosure controls, (ii) the integrity of our financial statements, (iii) our compliance with legal and regulatory requirements, (iv) the qualifications and independence of our independent registered public accounting firm, (v) the performance of our independent registered public accounting firm and internal audit function and (vi) related party transactions. Each member of the Audit Committee satisfies all applicable independence standards, has not participated in the preparation of our financial statements at any time during the past three years, and is able to read and understand fundamental financial statements. During 2020, the Audit Committee was comprised of the following four directors: Mr. Shaffer (chairman), Ms. Ashe, Mr. Jesselson and Dr. Papastavrou. During 2020, the Audit Committee met seven times and acted three times via unanimous written consent. Our Board has determined that Mr. Shaffer and Dr. Papastavrou each qualify as an "audit committee financial expert" as defined under Item 407(d)(5) of Regulation S-K under the Exchange Act.

Compensation Committee. The primary responsibilities of the Compensation Committee are, among other things: (i) to oversee the administration of our compensation programs, (ii) to review and approve the compensation of our executive management, (iii) to review company contributions to qualified and non-qualified plans, (iv) to prepare any report on executive compensation required by SEC rules and regulations, and (v) to retain independent compensation consultants and oversee the work of such consultants. During 2020, the Compensation Committee met 11 times and, in addition, acted four times via unanimous written consent to deliberate on a range of matters relating to compensation, including:

- Certification of goal attainment for performance-based stock unit awards ("PSUs")
- Director and executive compensation benchmarking, compared to market levels of pay
- Trends in executive pay practices and relevant developments within the regulatory landscape
- Executive compensation decision frameworks and strategies for cash and long-term incentive compensation
- Thresholds, targets and/or maximum values related to cash compensation
- Risk assessment of incentive compensation plans
- NEO performance evaluations with respect to financial and non-financial goals and expectations
- Approval of compensation decisions for directors and executive officers
- Evaluation of share utilization (i.e., burn rate and dilution) in our employee equity plan
- Compliance with executive stock ownership guidelines
- Material changes in benefit plans across the company
- Cash bonus accruals for employees in our company's annual incentive plan, based on financial performance of each business
- Participation in XPO's employee stock purchase program
- Review and certification of compensation advisor independence
- Inclusion of the compensation, discussion and analysis disclosure in the company's annual proxy statement

From January 1, 2020 to April 17, 2020, the Compensation Committee was comprised of the following four directors: Mr. Kingshott (chairman), Ms. Colucci, Mr. Jesselson and Dr. Papastavrou. On April 17, 2020, Mr. Kingshott stepped down from the Compensation Committee and Dr. Papastavrou was appointed chairman of the committee.

Nominating, Corporate Governance and Sustainability Committee. The primary responsibilities of the Nominating, Corporate Governance and Sustainability Committee are, among other things: (i) to identify individuals qualified to become Board members and recommend that our Board select such individuals to be presented for stockholder consideration at the annual meeting or to be appointed by the Board to fill a vacancy, (ii) to make recommendations to the Board concerning committee appointments, (iii) to develop, recommend to the Board and annually review the Guidelines and oversee corporate governance matters, (iv) to support the Board in its oversight of our company's purpose-driven sustainability strategies, performance and external disclosures, including ESG matters and related stakeholder engagement, and (v) to oversee an annual evaluation of our Board and its committees. During 2020, the Nominating, Corporate Governance and Sustainability Committee was comprised of the following three directors: Ms. DeSalva (chairman), Mr. Jesselson and Dr. Papastavrou. The Nominating, Corporate Governance and Sustainability Committee met three times during 2020. In December 2020, the Board approved amendments to the charter of the Nominating, Corporate Governance and Sustainability Committee to support the Board in its oversight of our company's purpose-driven sustainability strategies, performance and external disclosures, including material ESG matters and related stakeholder engagement.

**Acquisition Committee.** The Acquisition Committee is responsible for approving acquisition, divestiture and related transactions proposed by our management in which the total consideration to be paid or received by us, for any particular transaction, does not exceed the limits that may be established by our Board of Directors from time to time. From January 1, 2020 to April 17, 2020, the Acquisition Committee was comprised of the following four directors: Dr. Papastavrou (chairman), Ms. Ashe, Ms. Colucci and Mr. Kingshott. On April 17, 2020, Dr. Papastavrou stepped down from the Acquisition Committee and Mr. Kingshott was appointed as chairman of the committee. The Acquisition Committee did not meet during 2020.

#### **DIRECTOR COMPENSATION**

The following table sets forth information concerning the compensation of each person who served as a non-employee director of our company during 2020.

#### 2020 Director Compensation Table<sup>(1)</sup>

Name	Fees Earned in Cash <sup>(2)</sup>	Stock Awards <sup>(3)</sup>	Total
Gena Ashe <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 80,000	\$190,000	\$270,000
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Marlene Colucci <sup>(5)</sup>	\$ 80,000	\$190,000	\$270,000
AnnaMaria DeSalva <sup>(6)</sup>	\$125,000	\$190,000	\$315,000
Michael Jesselson <sup>(7)</sup>	\$105,000	\$190,000	\$295,000
Aris Kekedjian <sup>(8)</sup>	\$ 29,451	\$190,000	\$ 29,451
Adrian Kingshott <sup>(9)</sup>	\$ 96,470	\$190,000	\$286,470
Jason Papastavrou <sup>(10)</sup>	\$ 98,530	\$190,000	\$288,530
Oren Shaffer <sup>(11)</sup>	\$105,000	\$190,000	\$295,000

<sup>(1)</sup> Compensation information for Brad Jacobs, who is a NEO of our company, is disclosed in this Proxy Statement under the heading "Executive Compensation—Compensation Tables." Mr. Jacobs did not receive additional compensation for his service as a director.

<sup>(2)</sup> The amounts reflected in this column represent the fees earned by the directors for their service during 2020. Because the fees are paid in arrears and fourth quarter payments are received during the following calendar year, fees earned more accurately represent the compensation received by our directors.

The amounts reflected in this column represent the grant date fair value of the awards made in 2020, as computed in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification 718 "Compensation—Stock Compensation" ("ASC 718"). For further discussion of the assumptions used in the calculation of the grant date fair value, please see "Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements—Note 15. Stock-Based Compensation" of our company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2020. The values reported in this column represent 2,392 restricted stock units ("RSUs") granted to each of the directors serving on January 2, 2020. These awards vested on January 4, 2021. Mr. Kekedjian ceased to be a director on May 14, 2020 and the RSU award granted to him forfeited as a result. Each director serving on January 4, 2021 received an award of 1,604 RSUs on such date for service as a director in 2021; these awards will vest on January 3, 2022 and are not reflected in the table above.

<sup>(4)</sup> As of December 31, 2020, Ms. Ashe held 14,398 RSUs. The above table does not include €39,000 of fees paid to Ms. Ashe for her service as vice-chairman of the Supervisory Board of XPO Logistics Europe S.A., our majority-owned subsidiary.

<sup>(5)</sup> As of December 31, 2020, Ms. Colucci held 2,392 RSUs. As of the Record Date, Ms. Colucci beneficially owns a total of 2,637 shares of our common stock as disclosed in this Proxy Statement under the heading "Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management."

<sup>(6)</sup> As of December 31, 2020, Ms. DeSalva held 5,641 RSUs. As of the Record Date, Ms. DeSalva beneficially owns a total of 2,881 shares of our common stock as disclosed in this Proxy Statement under the heading "Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management."

- (7) As of December 31, 2020, Mr. Jesselson held 8,433 RSUs. As of the Record Date, Mr. Jesselson beneficially owns a total of 289,380 shares of our common stock as disclosed in this Proxy Statement under the heading "Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management."
- (8) Mr. Kekedjian ceased to be a director on May 14, 2020 and received a prorated cash payment of \$9,451 for his service during the second quarter of 2020.
- (9) As of December 31, 2020, Mr. Kingshott held 22,440 RSUs. As of the Record Date, Mr. Kingshott beneficially owns a total of 73,742 shares of our common stock as disclosed in this Proxy Statement under the heading "Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management."
- (10) As of December 31, 2020, Dr. Papastavrou held 21,691 RSUs. As of the Record Date, Dr. Papastavrou beneficially owns a total of 180,208 shares of our common stock as disclosed in this Proxy Statement under the heading "Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management."
- (12) As of December 31, 2020, Mr. Shaffer held 27,440 RSUs. As of the Record Date, Mr. Shaffer beneficially owns a total of 31,136 shares of our common stock as disclosed in this Proxy Statement under the heading "Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management."

The compensation of our directors is subject to approval of our Board, which is based, in part, on the recommendation of the Compensation Committee. Directors who are employees of our company do not receive additional compensation for service as members of either our Board of Directors or its committees.

For service during calendar year 2020, our non-employee directors received an annual cash retainer of \$80,000, payable quarterly in arrears, and time-based RSUs ("Time-Based RSUs") worth \$190,000. The annual grant of such Time-Based RSUs was made on the first business day of 2020 (the "RSU Grant Date") and the number of units was determined by dividing \$190,000 by the average of the closing prices of the company's common stock on the ten trading days immediately preceding the RSU Grant Date. The grant vested on the first business day of 2021. The vice chairman of the Board received an additional \$25,000 annual cash retainer, payable quarterly in arrears. The lead independent director also received an additional \$25,000 annual cash retainer, payable quarterly in arrears. The chairmen of our Audit Committee, our Compensation Committee, our Nominating, Corporate Governance and Sustainability Committee and our Acquisition Committee each received an additional cash retainer of \$25,000, \$20,000, \$20,000 and \$15,000, respectively, payable quarterly in arrears.

No other fees are paid to our directors for their attendance at or participation in meetings of our Board or its committees. We reimburse our directors for expenses incurred in the performance of their duties, including reimbursement for air travel and hotel expenses.

In 2016, our Board adopted a stock ownership policy establishing guidelines and stock retention requirements that apply to our non-employee directors and executive officers. Non-employee directors are subject to a stock ownership guideline of six (6) times the annual cash retainer. To determine compliance with these guidelines, generally, common shares held directly or indirectly, and unvested restricted stock units subject solely to time-based vesting, count towards meeting the stock ownership guidelines. Stock options, whether vested or unvested, and equity-based awards subject to performance-based vesting conditions, are not counted toward meeting stock ownership guidelines until they have settled or been exercised, as applicable. Until the guidelines are met, 70% of shares received upon settlement of equity-based awards are required to be retained by the director. Under the policy, a newly-appointed director is required to reach the required ownership level no later than three years from the date of his or her appointment. As of the Record Date, all of our non-employee directors were in compliance with our stock ownership policy.

#### COMPENSATION COMMITTEE INTERLOCKS AND INSIDER PARTICIPATION

From January 1, 2020 to April 17, 2020, the Compensation Committee was comprised of the following four directors: Mr. Kingshott (chairman), Ms. Colucci, Mr. Jesselson and Dr. Papastavrou. On April 17, 2020, Mr. Kingshott stepped down and Dr. Papastavrou replaced him as chairman of the Compensation Committee. None of the members of our Compensation Committee have been an officer or employee of our company. During 2020, there were no material transactions between the company and the members of the Compensation Committee, other than described in the "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions" section on page 28, and none of our executive officers served on any compensation committee or board of directors of any entity that has one or more executive officers serving on our Compensation Committee or on our Board of Directors.

#### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE GUIDELINES AND CODE OF BUSINESS ETHICS

Our Board of Directors is committed to sound corporate governance principles and practices. Our Board adopted Corporate Governance Guidelines on January 16, 2012, and most recently adopted amendments to the Guidelines on February 7, 2019, to establish the position of vice chairman of the Board. The vice chairman provides support on key governance matters and stockholder engagement to the chairman, lead independent director and the Board.

The Guidelines serve as a framework within which our Board conducts its operations. Among other things, the Guidelines include criteria for determining the qualifications and independence of the members of our Board, requirements for the standing committees of our Board and responsibilities for members of our Board, and conducts an annual evaluation of the effectiveness of our Board and its committees. The Nominating, Corporate Governance and Sustainability Committee is responsible for reviewing the Guidelines annually, or more frequently as appropriate, and recommending appropriate changes to our Board in light of applicable laws and regulations, the governance standards identified by leading governance authorities, and our company's evolving needs.

We have a Code of Business Ethics (the "Code") that applies to our directors and executive officers. This Code is designed to deter wrongdoing, promote the honest and ethical conduct of all employees and promote compliance with applicable governmental laws, rules and regulations, as well as provide clear channels for reporting concerns. The Code constitutes a "code of ethics" as defined in Item 406(b) of Regulation S-K. We intend to satisfy the disclosure requirements under applicable SEC rules relating to amendments to the Code or waivers of any provision of the Code as applicable to our principal executive officer, our principal financial officer and our principal accounting officer, by posting such disclosures on our website pursuant to SEC rules.

The Guidelines and our Code of Business Ethics are available on our website at <a href="www.xpo.com">www.xpo.com</a>. In addition, you may obtain a printed copy of these documents, without charge, by sending a request to: Secretary, XPO Logistics, Inc., Five American Lane, Greenwich. Connecticut 06831.

#### **DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE**

Under the Guidelines, our Board of Directors is responsible for making independence determinations annually with the assistance of the Nominating, Corporate Governance and Sustainability Governance Committee. Such independence determinations are made by reference to the independence standard under the Guidelines and the definition of "independent director" under Section 303A.02 of the NYSE Listed Company Manual. Our Board has affirmatively determined that each person who served as a director during any part of 2020, except for Mr. Jacobs, our chairman of the Board and chief executive officer, satisfies the independence standards under the Guidelines and the NYSE Listed Company Manual.

In addition to the independence standards provided in the Guidelines, our Board has determined that each director who serves on our Audit Committee satisfies standards for independence of Audit Committee members established by the SEC, that is, the director may not: (i) accept directly or indirectly any consulting, advisory or other compensatory fee from our company other than their director compensation, or (ii) be an affiliated person of our company or any of its subsidiaries. Our Board has also determined that each member of the Compensation Committee satisfies the NYSE standards for independence of Compensation Committee members, which became effective on July 1, 2013. Additionally, our Board has determined that each member of the Nominating, Corporate Governance and Sustainability Committee satisfies the NYSE standards for independence. In making the independence determinations for each director, our Board and the Nominating, Corporate Governance and Sustainability Committee analyzed certain relationships of the directors that were not required to be disclosed pursuant to Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K. For Ms. Colucci, those relationships included ordinary course commercial transactions between our company and the entity for which Ms. Colucci serves as an executive. For Mr. Jesselson serves as an executive. For Dr. Papastavrou, those relationships included ordinary course commercial transactions between our company and an entity for which Dr. Papastavrou served as a director until May 2020.

#### **DIRECTOR SELECTION PROCESS**

The Nominating, Corporate Governance and Sustainability Committee is responsible for recommending to our Board of Directors all nominees for election to the Board, including nominees for re-election to the Board, in each case, after consultation with the chairman of the Board and in accordance with our company's contractual obligations. Pursuant to the Investment Agreement, JPE has had and may in the future have the contractual right, based on its securities ownership as described above under "Directors," to designate for nomination by our Board a certain percentage of the members of our Board. Subject to the foregoing, in considering new nominees for election to our Board, the Nominating, Corporate Governance and Sustainability Committee considers, among other things, breadth of experience, financial expertise, wisdom, integrity, an ability to make independent analytical inquiries, an understanding of our company's business environment, knowledge and experience in areas such as technology and marketing, and other disciplines relevant to our company's businesses, the nominee's ownership interest in our company, and a willingness and ability to devote adequate time to Board duties, all in the context of the needs of the Board at that point in time and with the objective of ensuring diversity in the background, experience and viewpoints of Board members. When searching for new directors, our Board endeavors to actively seek out highly qualified women and individuals from underrepresented minorities to include in the candidate pool. Our Board aims to create a team of diverse and highly skilled directors who provide our global company with thoughtful board oversight. The Nominating, Corporate Governance and Sustainability Committee assesses the effectiveness of its diversity efforts through periodic evaluations of the Board's composition.

Subject to the contractual rights granted to JPE pursuant to the Investment Agreement, the Nominating, Corporate Governance and Sustainability Committee may identify potential nominees for election to our Board from a variety of sources, including recommendations from current directors or management, recommendations from our stockholders or any other source the committee deems appropriate, including engaging a third-party consulting firm to assist in identifying independent director candidates.

Our Board will consider nominees submitted by our stockholders, subject to the same factors that are brought to bear when it considers nominees referred by other sources. Our stockholders can nominate candidates for election as directors by following the procedures set forth in our bylaws, which are summarized below. We did not receive any director nominees from our stockholders for the 2021 Annual Meeting.

Our bylaws require that a stockholder who wishes to nominate an individual for election as a director at our annual meeting must give us advance written notice. The notice must be delivered to or mailed and received by the secretary of our company not less than 90 days, and not more than 180 days, prior to the earlier of the date of the annual meeting and the first anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting. As more specifically provided in our bylaws, any nomination must include: (i) the nominator's name and address and the number of shares of each class of our capital stock that the nominator owns, (ii) the name and address of any person with whom the nominator is acting in concert and the number of shares of each class of our capital stock that any such person owns, (iii) the information with respect to each such proposed director nominee that would be required to be provided in a proxy statement prepared in accordance with applicable SEC rules, and (iv) the consent of the proposed candidate to serve as a member of our Board.

Any stockholder who wishes to nominate a potential director candidate must follow the specific requirements set forth in our bylaws, a copy of which may be obtained by sending a request to: Secretary, XPO Logistics, Inc., Five American Lane, Greenwich, Connecticut 06831.

#### BOARD OVERSIGHT OF HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Our culture at XPO is about being safe, respectful, entrepreneurial, innovative and inclusive.

XPO management and our Board of Directors are committed to maintaining XPO's rewarding work environment. Our success relies in large part on our strong governance structure and Code of Business Ethics, our good corporate citizenship and, importantly, engaged employees who embrace our values. Our management team and Board work together in a transparent manner, allowing for open communication, including with respect to human resources-related matters. Our directors have access to information about our human resources operations and plans, and our chief human resources officer is invited to attend and speak regularly at meetings of our Board. At the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, the full Board was directly involved in our pandemic response through frequent meetings, access to management calls and access to our crisis management team. The Board met nine times between March and May to discuss, in depth, the impact of COVID-19 and the company's response. The Compensation Committee met 11 times during 2020 to discuss executive compensation and other items related to human resources management. Our directors also have opportunities to attend and participate in quarterly operating review meetings with business unit management.

As a customer-centric company with a strong service culture, we constantly work to maintain our position as an employer of choice. This requires an unwavering commitment to workplace inclusion and safety, as well as competitive total compensation that meets the needs of our employees and their families. Throughout 2020, we made ongoing significant investments in the safety, well-being and satisfaction of our employees in the following areas, among others:

- Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DE&I): As part of our ongoing commitment to improve our Environmental, Social and Governance footprint, we promoted an internal candidate to the newly-created position of chief diversity officer, and we linked ESG performance targets, including DE&I initiatives, to 25% of our top executives' long-term incentive compensation, to further strengthen this aspect of our culture.
- Health and Safety: Amid the onset of COVID-19, we employed a combination of measures to protect our employees, including 100% paid pandemic sick leave for eligible employees, frontline employee appreciation pay for approximately 40,000 workers in the U.S. and Canada, personal protective equipment for employees in all workplaces, a contactless delivery policy, and expanded access to mental health counseling services. Our response to COVID-19 reflected our long-standing commitment to a culture of safety built on shared responsibility and continuous improvement. A major pillar of our safety performance is our Road to Zero program, which aims to achieve zero occupational injuries and illnesses, while also supporting the emotional security of all XPO colleagues in our workplaces. In 2020, our logistics operations in the U.S. maintained an Occupational Safety and Health Administration ("OSHA") total recordable incident rate ("TRIR") that was less than half the published rate for the Warehousing and Storage sector, based on the "Industry Injury and Illness Data" of the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.
- Talent Development and Engagement: We ask our employees for feedback through engagement surveys, virtual roundtables and town halls. We use these periodic engagements to gauge our progress, ask for constructive suggestions and create action plans to execute improvements. We emphasize professional development and the identification of top industry talent in all aspects of our talent development process. Our professional development initiatives include Grow at XPO, RISE and an XPO Graduate program.
- Expansive Total Rewards: We offer a total compensation package that is both competitive and progressive to help attract and retain outstanding talent. In 2020, we provided annual merit increases to hourly employees, maintaining our strong market competitiveness. We also offered health plan options, a comprehensive pregnancy care policy, family bonding policy, tuition reimbursement, company contributions to 401(k) retirement accounts and additional benefits, such as diabetes management, supplemental insurance and short-term loans.

Our 2020 Sustainability Report and 2020 Form 10-K disclosures provide additional details of our global progress in these key areas.

#### **BOARD OVERSIGHT OF SUSTAINABILITY MATTERS**

Our approach to sustainability is one of purpose-driven progress rooted in innovation. We work to promote environmental, social and organizational sustainability through the decisions we make and our interactions with colleagues, customers, suppliers and other stakeholders. Sustainability features prominently in deliberations among our directors and informs their overall approach to risk oversight. In December 2020, the Board approved amendments to the charter of the Nominating, Corporate Governance and Sustainability Committee to support the Board in its oversight of, and engagement with, management regarding the company's purpose-driven sustainability strategies, performance and external disclosures, including material ESG matters, and related stakeholder engagement.

We believe that sustainability is essential to our company's long-term viability. It fosters an equitable workplace for our employees, both now and in the future. In addition, ESG matters are important to many of our stakeholders who want to do business with partners that share their goals; for example, the transition to a low-carbon economy.

We are pleased to have published our 2020 Sustainability Report detailing our progress in the areas of environmental sustainability, social initiatives and governance performance. Our 2020 Sustainability Report is available at sustainability.xpo.com. Members of our Board reviewed the contents of the report and provided feedback to the company.

#### BOARD OVERSIGHT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND CYBERSECURITY RISK MANAGEMENT

Our Board maintains direct oversight over information technology and cybersecurity risk. The Board both receives and provides feedback on regular updates from management regarding information technology and cybersecurity governance processes, the status of projects to strengthen internal cybersecurity and the results of security breach simulations. The Board also discusses relevant incidents in the industry and the emerging threat landscape.

We have a robust IT security team, managed by our chief information security officer; this team continuously reviews relevant legislative, regulatory and technical developments and enhances our information security capabilities in order to protect against potential threats. We are continually improving our detection and recovery processes and have rolled out an IT security training program that all employees are required to complete at regular intervals. We also obtained an information security risk insurance policy.

#### STOCKHOLDER COMMUNICATION WITH THE BOARD

Stockholders and other parties interested in communicating with our Board of Directors, any Board committee, any individual director, including our lead independent director, or any group of directors (such as our independent directors) should send written correspondence to: Board of Directors c/o Secretary, XPO Logistics, Inc., Five American Lane, Greenwich, Connecticut 06831. Please note that we will not forward communications to the Board that qualify as spam, junk mail, mass mailings, resumes or other forms of job inquiries, surveys, business solicitations or advertisements.

#### STOCKHOLDER PROPOSALS FOR NEXT YEAR'S ANNUAL MEETING

Stockholder proposals intended to be presented at our 2022 Annual Meeting of Stockholders must be received by our Secretary no later than December 14, 2021, in order to be considered for inclusion in our proxy materials, pursuant to Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act.

As more specifically provided for in our bylaws, no business may be brought before an annual meeting of our stockholders unless it is specified in the notice of the annual meeting or is otherwise brought before the annual meeting by or at the direction of our Board of Directors or by a stockholder entitled to vote and who has delivered proper notice to us not less than 90 days, and not more than 180 days, prior to the earlier of the date of the annual meeting and the first anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting. For example, assuming that our 2022 Annual Meeting is held on or after May 11, 2022, any stockholder proposal to be considered at the 2022 Annual Meeting, including nominations of persons for election to our Board, must be properly submitted to us not earlier than November 12, 2021, nor later than February 10, 2022.

Detailed information for submitting stockholder proposals or nominations of director candidates will be provided upon written request sent to: Secretary, XPO Logistics, Inc., Five American Lane, Greenwich, Connecticut 06831.

# CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Under its written charter, the Audit Committee of our Board of Directors is responsible for reviewing and approving or ratifying any transaction between our company and a related person (as defined in Item 404 of Regulation S-K) that is required to be disclosed under the rules and regulations of the SEC. Our management is responsible for bringing any such transaction to the attention of the Audit Committee. In approving or rejecting any such transaction, the Audit Committee considers the relevant facts and circumstances, including the material terms of the transaction, risks, benefits, costs, availability of other comparable services or products and, if applicable, the impact on a director's independence.

Following approvals by an independent disinterested special committee of our Board and the Audit Committee to the extent required by our policy on related party transactions, in December 2020 and January 2021, the company entered into separate exchange agreements with certain holders of our preferred stock and warrants, including the following of our directors and officers: Jacobs Private Equity, LLC, of which Mr. Brad Jacobs is the Managing Member; three trusts of which Mr. Michael Jesselson is a trustee; Springer Wealth Management, LLC, of which Dr. Jason Papastavrou is the Managing Member; Mr. Adrian Kingshott; Mr. Oren Shaffer; and Mr. Troy Cooper (the "Exchanging Directors and Officers"). Pursuant to the exchange agreements, the Exchanging Directors and Officers (i) exchanged their preferred stock for a combination of (x) our common stock, based on the number of shares of common stock into which our preferred stock was then convertible; and (v) a lump-sum cash payment that represented an approximation of the net present value of the future dividends required by the terms of our preferred stock to be paid by us; and/or (ii) exchanged their warrants for the number of shares of our common stock that was equal to the number of shares of common stock that such holder would be entitled to receive upon an exercise of the warrants less the number of shares of our common stock that had an approximate value equal to the exercise price of the warrants, based on the formula set forth in the exchange agreements. All of the holders of our preferred stock and warrants have signed an exchange agreement, and we expect all holders of preferred stock and warrants to exchange their securities for shares of our common stock pursuant to the terms of the exchange agreement. All of the exchange transactions, whether with our directors and officers or with the other holders of our preferred stock and warrants, occurred on substantially the same terms.

We issued an aggregate of 9,882,141 unregistered shares of our common stock to the Exchanging Directors and Officers in connection with the preferred stock exchanges; and an aggregate of 9,333,733 unregistered shares of our common stock to the Exchanging Directors and Officers in connection with the warrant exchanges. We paid an aggregate of approximately \$22.4 million to the Exchanging Directors and Officers as part of the lump-sum cash payments in connection with the preferred stock exchanges.

The exchange transactions were made to simplify our equity capital structure, including in contemplation of our previously announced plan to pursue a spin-off of our logistics business.

# SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT

The following table sets forth information concerning the beneficial ownership of our voting securities as of the Record Date by: (i) each person who is known by us, based solely on a review of public filings, to be the beneficial owner of more than 5% of any class of our outstanding voting securities, (ii) each director, (iii) each NEO, and (iv) all executive officers and directors as a group. None of the foregoing persons beneficially owned any shares of equity securities of our subsidiaries as of the Record Date.

Under applicable SEC rules, a person is deemed to be the "beneficial owner" of a voting security if such person has (or shares) either investment power or voting power over such security or has (or shares) the right to acquire such security within 60 days by any of a number of means, including upon the exercise of options or warrants or the conversion of convertible securities. A beneficial owner's percentage ownership is determined by assuming that options, warrants and convertible securities that are held solely by the beneficial owner, and which are exercisable or convertible within 60 days, have been exercised or converted. Unless otherwise indicated, we believe that all persons named in the table below have sole voting and investment power with respect to all voting securities shown as being owned by them. Unless otherwise indicated, the address of each beneficial owner in the table below is care of XPO Logistics, Inc., Five American Lane, Greenwich, Connecticut 06831.

Name of Beneficial Owner	Shares of Common Stock Beneficially Owned	Percentage of Common Stock Outstanding <sup>(1)</sup>
Beneficial Ownership of 5% or more:		
Jacobs Private Equity, LLC	18,518,926 <sup>(2)</sup>	16.6 %
Orbis Investment Management Limited <sup>(3)</sup>		
Orbis House, 25 Front Street		
Hamilton Bermuda HM11	13,980,053	12.5 %
BlackRock, Inc. <sup>(4)</sup>		
55 East 52nd street		
New York, NY 10055	8,327,934	7.5 %
The Vanguard Group <sup>(5)</sup>		
100 Vanguard Blvd.,	0 DOE 201	7.0.0/
Malvern, PA 19355	8,095,381	7.2 %
Directors: Gena Ashe	14 200 (6)	*
Marlene Colucci	14,398 (6)	*
	5,029 (7)	*
AnnaMaria DeSalva	8,522 (8)	*
Michael Jesselson	289,380 (9)	*
Adrian Kingshott	96,182 (10)	*
Jason Papastavrou	201,899 (11)	*
Oren Shaffer	58,576 <sup>(12)</sup>	
NEOs:	10,000,040 (13)	1000/
Brad Jacobs+	18,906,342 (13)	16.9 %
Troy Cooper	139,315	*
Mario Harik	123,548	*
David Wyshner	6,193 <sup>(14)</sup>	*
Sarah Glickman	3,602 (15)	*
Kurt Rogers	3,853 (16)	
Current Directors and Executive Officers as a Group: (11 People)	19,849,384 (17)	17.8 %

- Less than 1%
- + Director and Executive Officer
- (1) For purposes of this column, the number of shares of the class outstanding for each person reflects the sum of: (i) 111,676,088 shares of our common stock that were outstanding as of the Record Date, and (ii) the number of RSUs held, if any, that are or will become vested within 60 days of the Record Date.
- (2) Mr. Jacobs has indirect beneficial ownership of the shares of our common stock beneficially owned by JPE as a result of being its managing member. In addition, Mr. Jacobs directly owns 387,416 shares of our common stock following the vesting of equity incentive awards and exercise of stock options. See footnote<sup>(13)</sup> below.

- Based on Amendment No. 8 to the Schedule 13G filed on January 11, 2021 by Orbis Investment Management Limited ("OIML"), Orbis Investment Management (U.S.), L.P. ("OIMUS") and Allan Gray Australia Pty Ltd ("AGAPL"), which reported that, as of December 31, 2020, OIML beneficially owned 13,853,375 shares of our common stock, OIMUS beneficially owned 119,113 shares of our common stock, and AGAPL beneficially owned 7,565 shares of our common stock. The group has sole voting and sole dispositive power over such shares of our common stock.
- (4) Based on Amendment No. 2 to the Schedule 13G filed on February 1, 2021 by BlackRock, Inc., which reported that, as of December 31, 2020, BlackRock, Inc. beneficially owned 8,327,934 shares of our common stock, with sole voting power over 7,764,109 shares of our common stock and sole dispositive power over 8.327,934 shares of our common stock.
- (5) Based on Amendment No. 6 to the Schedule 13G filed on February 10, 2021 by The Vanguard Group, which reported that, as of December 31, 2020, The Vanguard Group beneficially owned 8,095,381 shares of our common stock with shared voting power over 83,351 shares of our common stock, sole dispositive power over 7,889,423 shares of our common stock and shared dispositive power over 205,958 shares of our common stock.
- (6) Consists of 14,398 RSUs that are or will become vested within 60 days of the Record Date.
- (7) Includes 2,392 RSUs that are or will become vested within 60 days of the Record Date.
- (8) Includes 5,641 RSUs that are or will become vested within 60 days of the Record Date.
- (9) Includes: (i) 5,000 shares of our common stock held in an individual retirement account of Mr. Jesselson, (ii) 6,000 shares of our common stock owned by Mr. Jesselson's spouse, (iii) 201,001 shares of our common stock beneficially owned by the Michael G. Jesselson 12/18/80 Trust and the Michael G. Jesselson 4/8/71 Trust, of which trusts Mr. Jesselson is the beneficiary, (iv) 8,000 shares of our common stock beneficially owned by the JJJ Irrevocable Trust, of which Mr. Jesselson is a trustee, (v) 8,000 shares of our common stock beneficially owned by the RAJ Irrevocable Trust, of which Mr. Jesselson is a trustee, (vi) 8,000 shares of our common stock beneficially owned by the SJJ Irrevocable Trust, of which Mr. Jesselson is a trustee, (vii) 21,057 shares of our common stock beneficially owned by Michael G. Jesselson and Linda Jesselson, Trustees UID 6/30/93 FBO Maya Ariel Ruth Jesselson, and (viii) 6,041 RSUs that are or will become vested within 60 days of the Record Date.
- (10) Includes 22,440 RSUs that are or will become vested within 60 days of the Record Date.
- (11) Consists of (i) 180,208 shares of our common stock beneficially owned by Springer Wealth Management LLC, of which Dr. Papastavrou is the owner of 100% of the equity securities, and (ii) 21,691 RSUs that are or will become vested within 60 days of the Record Date.
- (12) Includes 27,440 RSUs that are or will become vested within 60 days of the Record Date.
- (13) Mr. Jacobs has indirect beneficial ownership of the shares of our common stock beneficially owned by JPE as a result of being its managing member. See footnote<sup>(2)</sup>. Also includes 387,416 shares of our common stock held directly by Mr. Jacobs following the vesting of equity incentive awards and exercise of stock options.
- (14) Mr. Wyshner became chief financial officer of the company on March 2, 2020.
- (15) Ms. Glickman stepped down from her position as acting chief financial officer of the company on March 2, 2020 and left the company on April 13, 2020. Her beneficial ownership information is based on the company's records as of the Record Date.
- (16) Mr. Rogers became chief legal officer of the company on February 3, 2020 and stepped down on March 11, 2020. His beneficial ownership information is based on the company's records as of the Record Date.
- (17) Includes 100,043 RSUs that are or will become vested within 60 days of the Record Date.

# EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

#### LETTER FROM THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE

Dear Fellow Stockholder.

Throughout this past year, our entire company, from the Board of Directors and senior management to our frontline employees, worked together to ensure that critical supplies of food, consumables, medical gear and other goods reached the people who needed them. Our management team not only led XPO through the pandemic; they kept our organization focused on implementing technology and other profit improvement initiatives that have the ability to drive sustainable share gains.

While 2020 brought a novel set of challenges, as a Compensation Committee, we remained committed to our strategic philosophy of setting ambitious targets for executives, incentivizing them to drive long-term value creation, and aligning these awards with long-term performance.

# Stockholder Engagement on 2020 Compensation and Say-on-Pay Vote

Each spring, members of our Board and management team engage with many of our top stockholders to discuss matters that will be voted on at our annual meeting. These conversations have been instructive in helping the Compensation Committee make informed decisions regarding aspects of our executive compensation program. While our say-on-pay vote received majority support in 2020, we continually strive for improvement, and we value the opportunity to hold ongoing discussions with stockholders throughout the year.

This past winter, AnnaMaria DeSalva, vice chairman, Dr. Jason Papastavrou, chairman of the Compensation Committee, and members of senior management conducted an additional round of outreach to stockholders to discuss our 2020 say-on-pay vote and compensation changes that had been made following the 2020 Annual Meeting. By soliciting feedback on these changes, we also gained insights into how the program can be more responsive to concerns moving forward.

For each of spring and winter engagement, we reached out to stockholders representing greater than 60% of outstanding shares. We ultimately met with stockholders representing 45% (spring) and 50% (winter) of outstanding shares, with XPO directors leading over half of the meetings (winter). The conversations covered our compensation practices, pay-for-performance alignment, disclosure enhancements, plan design and incorporation of environmental, social and corporate governance ("ESG") factors into company compensation strategy and feedback was shared with the Compensation Committee.

# **Enhancements Made in Response to Stockholder Feedback**

The company made a number of responsive changes to the executive compensation program over the past year. This Proxy Statement describes the Compensation Committee's decision-making process in greater detail and provides enhanced disclosure about those changes, including information on the impact of COVID-19 and the evolution of the executive compensation program.

Stockholder feedback gained during the past year helped to inform the design of a new long-term cash incentive award (the "2020 LTI"), which was granted in July 2020 in connection with new employment agreements entered into with Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Cooper and Mr. Harik.

Notably, we believe the 2020 LTI takes into account four key elements of stockholder feedback:

- Stockholders asked for more insight into our award timing, given that XPO does not employ an annual grant cycle for the long-term incentive program. In response, the Compensation Committee has committed to not grant additional awards to Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Cooper or Mr. Harik while the 2020 LTI remains outstanding, barring unforeseen circumstances, and excluding any potential modifications to existing awards in connection with the company's plan to spin off our global logistics business.
- Stockholders have expressed concern that awards based on all-or-nothing goals have the potential to incentivize risk-taking. In response, the 2020 LTI has a sliding scale payout, as well as three separately weighted metrics.
- Several stockholders expressed a preference for inclusion of metrics relative to peers. In response, 25% of the 2020 LTI is based on growth in adjusted cash flow per share relative to peers.
- Many stockholders highlighted the importance of integrating ESG into company strategy and incorporating ESG metrics into our executive compensation program. In response to this feedback, which aligns with our long-term strategy, an ESG scorecard has been introduced, worth 25% of the 2020 LTI. The scorecard encompasses goals tied to performance on employee safety, sustainability, information security, diversity and human capital management, among other areas of ESG.

### **XPO's Continued Evolution**

In 2021, the Board and senior management remain focused on ensuring a safe and satisfying employment experience for our people, helping our customers operate greener supply chains, operating as a good corporate citizen and creating long-term value for our stockholders. We believe that the spin-off planned for later this year has the potential to advance all of these objectives.

The planning for the spin-off requires an evaluation of all company practices, including compensation plan design. We can commit to stockholders that we will remain faithful to our philosophy of aligning executives' interests with the interests of stockholders and maintaining a pay-for-performance culture based on achieving ambitious goals. Our Board looks forward to continuing to engage with stockholders in 2021 to discuss the current executive compensation program and the plans for our future.

Sincerely,

Jason Papastavrou Ph.D. (Committee Chairman) Marlene Colucci Michael Jesselson

# **COMPENSATION DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**

This Compensation Discussion and Analysis describes XPO's executive compensation program for 2020. The Compensation Committee of our Board of Directors (the "Committee") oversees our executive compensation program and practices. In this section, we explain the Committee's 2020 compensation decisions for the following named executive officers ("NEOs").

NEO	2020 ROLE
Brad Jacobs	Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
Troy Cooper	President
Mario Harik	Chief Information Officer
David Wyshner	Chief Financial Officer
Sarah Glickman	Acting Chief Financial Officer (served as Acting Chief Financial Officer until March 2, 2020)
Kurt Rogers	Chief Legal Officer (served as Chief Legal Officer until March 11, 2020)

#### 2020 COMPANY PERFORMANCE HIGHLIGHTS

# Overview

In 2020, our NEOs navigated our company through the pandemic by prioritizing the safety of our employees while ensuring continuity of service for our customers. The leadership of our NEOs and the resilience of our business model preserved value for our stockholders—the company generated positive earnings for the full year, as well as significant revenue, adjusted EBITDA and free cash flow. In the fourth quarter, we reported record results in several key financial metrics, as described below.

Highlights of our full-year 2020 performance include:

- \$16.25 billion of revenue;
- \$79 million of net income attributable to common shareholders;
- \$0.78 of diluted EPS, and \$2.01 of adjusted diluted EPS\*;
- \$1.39 billion of adjusted EBITDA\*;
- \$885 million of cash flow from operations;
- \$554 million of free cash flow\*;
- \$2.1 billion of cash and cash equivalents, and \$1.0 billion of available borrowing capacity, as of December 31, 2020;
- For the fourth quarter: the highest adjusted EBITDA of any fourth quarter in the company's history, and the highest revenue of any quarter; and
- An absolute one-year total stockholder return ("TSR") of 50% as of December 31, 2020—more than triple the average of the corresponding TSRs for the S&P 400 MidCap (14%) and Dow Jones Transportation Average (17%)—extending the company's track record of TSR outperformance.
- \* See Annex A for reconciliations of non-GAAP measures

In addition to these results, three highlights of our 2020 performance demonstrate our NEOs' outstanding ability to balance risks and opportunities:

First, our NEOs acted decisively to protect our employees from COVID-19, with rigorous safety protocols and personal protective equipment. Supply chain operations are critically important to the economy and to quality of life, particularly when consumer access to goods is disrupted. In 2020, our frontline workers had the strong support of management in providing essential services throughout the pandemic, including the delivery of healthcare supplies. Our company invested over \$70 million in the safety of workers, including the purchase of 8.75 million facemasks, 5.5 million pairs of gloves and 105,000 gallons of hand sanitizer.

Second, by ensuring that the business operated safely, our NEOs helped the company strengthen ties with key customers and expand those relationships. This was true across a range of verticals in 2020—not only with e-commerce and omnichannel, where customers sought our help to manage growth, but also with supply chains challenged by disruptions in demand. We enhanced our position as a strategic partner by providing these customers with viable solutions that showcase our strengths.

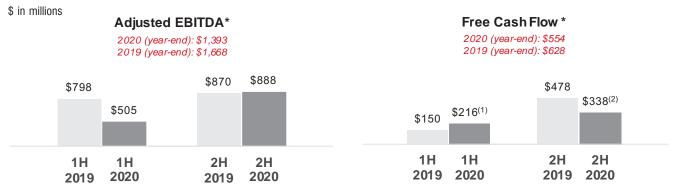
And third, the complementary strengths of our NEOs led to the most compelling aspect of our performance in 2020—our company's dramatic rebound in the second half of the year. By mid-year, we had begun to nimbly recover from the April trough of the COVID-19 impact. By the third quarter, one of our key businesses, truck brokerage, was on a strong upward trajectory and two others, less-than-truckload and logistics, had started to follow suit. By the fourth quarter, we saw robust momentum in all three areas of the business, buoyed by consumer demand and signs of an industrial recovery.

# Strong Focus on Stability and Liquidity

As operating conditions deteriorated in the early part of 2020, our NEOs demonstrated prudent capital management by reducing capital expenditures, while continuing to invest in key growth initiatives. This balanced approach led to \$3.1 billion of total liquidity at year-end, including a \$554 million contribution to liquidity from free cash flow\*. Importantly, we maintained our near-term service capacity and long-term competitive positioning for profitable growth.

As the economy continues to recover, our strengths are aligned with major industry tailwinds that emerged in 2020: logistics automation, the ongoing growth in e-commerce and supply chain outsourcing. Increasingly, customers want the efficiencies of automation and data-driven visibility to reduce risk. In the consumer sectors, customers need partners with the technological capability to manage high-volumes of e-commerce orders and consumer packaged goods. Due in large part to the exemplary leadership of our NEOs in 2020, XPO is well-positioned to capitalize on all these opportunities for the benefit of our stockholders.

Our full year 2020 performance was impacted by macroeconomic volatility, resulting in a year-over-year decline in adjusted EBITDA. Notably, the skilled leadership of our NEOs led to a financial rebound for the company in the second half of the year and created momentum leading into 2021.

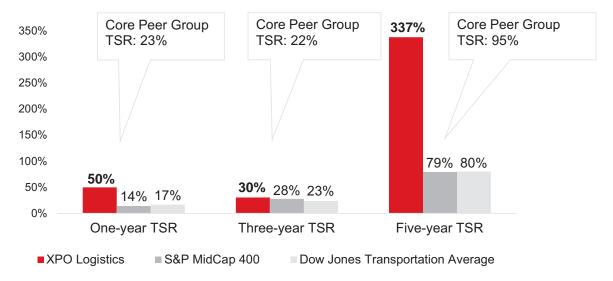


- (1) Free cash flow performance improved year-over-year in the first half of 2020, as a result of disciplined working capital management and the conservation of capital expenditures during the peak of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- (2) Free cash flow performance declined year-over-year in the second half of 2020, as the company used cash for working capital when revenue rebounded and capital expenditures increased.
- \* See Annex A for reconciliations of non-GAAP measures

### **Delivering Significant Total Stockholder Return**

The primary focus of our company's leadership team is to deliver meaningful value to our stockholders and other stakeholders through the execution of our strategy. Our steadfast commitment to long-term value creation, operational excellence and disciplined capital allocation has resulted in the continued outperformance of our total stockholder return (TSR) relative to comparative indices, as illustrated below. In 2020, despite the macroeconomic impacts of COVID-19, our one-year TSR of 50% and three-year TSR of 30% both exceeded the returns generated by relevant indices. In addition to the comparative indices

below, we outperformed our core peer group median for one-year TSR, three-year TSR and five-year TSR of 23%, 22% and 95%, respectively.



#### Notes:

Our core peer group is described in more detail under the heading "Key Factors Considered in Determining Executive Compensation."
TSR calculations reflect the trading price of XPO common stock and that of the relevant indices/companies as of the last trading day of calendar years 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016 and 2015, as supplied by Research Data Group. The graph above is not the annual performance graph required by Item 201(e) of Regulation S-K; the required graph can be found in Part II, Item 5 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2020, which was filed with the SEC on February 12, 2021.

# OUR COMPENSATION PHILOSOPHY AND EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

XPO's executive compensation philosophy is founded on the following core objectives:

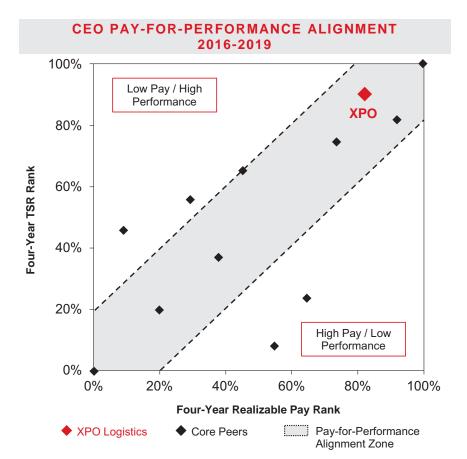
- Attract high-impact, results-oriented executives in a competitive job market who will contribute to XPO's goal of maximizing stockholder value.
- Ensure that each executive receives total compensation that encourages his or her long-term retention through business and individual performance assessments, coupled with market benchmarking.
- Maintain executive focus on the company's top priorities of profitable growth, innovation, operational excellence and customer satisfaction, as well as increased focus on ESG matters including employee safety and engagement.
- Set ambitious targets that incentivize our executives to drive long-term stockholder value creation without unnecessary risk.
- Align the interests of our executives with those of our stockholders by emphasizing high growth and high returns in our long-term, performance-based incentives.
- Incorporate stockholder feedback into the Committee's decision-making process.

# Our Commitment to Stockholder Value Creation and Alignment with Pay-for-Performance

The Committee regularly analyzes pay-for-performance alignment to ensure that our compensation plan is achieving its intended outcomes.

In 2020, the Committee reviewed the pay-for-performance alignment of our compensation program on a realizable basis, using a four-year period to correspond with XPO's performance periods for prior awards. A realizable pay analysis allows the Committee to assess whether the value of the compensation received by our CEO and other executive officers is rightsized relative to stockholder return on investment in the company over time.

As shown below, the Committee's most recent analysis demonstrated that CEO pay has been strongly aligned with performance over the past four years. From 2016 to 2019, XPO's realizable pay was at the 82<sup>nd</sup> percentile versus core peers, while TSR performance was at the 91<sup>st</sup> percentile. By taking a strategic approach to the timing of grants, which are not made on a typical annual cycle but are heavily performance-based, the Committee has been able to tie awards closely to the company's progress on long-term results. Our method of award design also allows for continuous incorporation of stockholder feedback into the design of subsequent awards. This approach to granting awards has successfully aligned pay outcomes with performance and sustainable value creation.



#### Note:

Realizable pay reflects the impact of performance on target pay and is calculated as the sum of (i) salary paid; (ii) bonus paid; (iii) the value of equity compensation that vested, calculated using the closing stock price on 12/31/2019; (iv) the value of cash-settled performance awards at the settlement value; and (v) the annualized realizable target value of outstanding equity awards using the closing stock price on 12/31/2019.

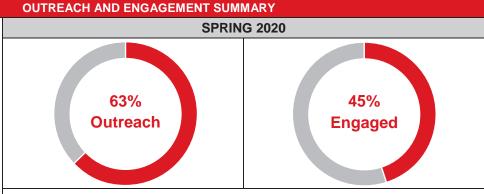
# STOCKHOLDER OUTREACH AND ENGAGEMENT

We believe that regular stockholder engagement is key to strong corporate governance, and we recognize the value of engaging in constructive dialogue with stockholders on numerous topics, including business strategy, governance, executive compensation, corporate sustainability reporting and other important matters. We strive to continually improve in these areas, and we value the opportunity to hold ongoing engagement discussions with stockholders throughout the year. We have traditionally met with stockholders in the spring prior to our annual meeting to discuss proxy proposals, as well as ESG topics. In addition, throughout the year, our investor relations team and chief strategy officer engage extensively with our stockholders, often together with our CEO. This engagement includes dialogue immediately following our quarterly earnings calls, participation at investor conferences and other channels of communication.

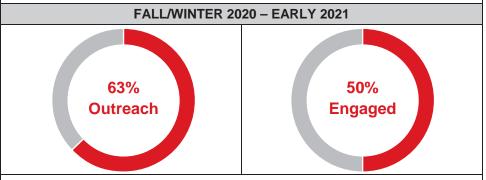
In 2020, XPO engaged with stockholders to discuss these matters in two separate periods—in the weeks leading up to our 2020 Annual Meeting and in the latter months of the year, continuing into early 2021. While the meetings during spring 2020 were primarily focused on items on the ballot at the annual meeting, the discussions provided significant insights on a range of topics and on executive compensation in particular. Collectively, our outreach and engagement activities allow us to better understand the views of our stockholders by soliciting their feedback and sharing our perspectives through dialogue.



- Business Strategy, Including Planned Logistics Spin-Off
- Executive Compensation
- Corporate Governance Practices
- Board Composition and Refreshment
- Diversity, Equity and Inclusion
- Sustainability
- Safety and Human Capital Management



In the spring of 2020, we proactively reached out to 24 of our larger institutional investors representing approximately 63% of our common stock, ultimately engaging with stockholders representing 45% of our common stock. The objective of this outreach was to gather feedback on proxy proposals for our 2020 Annual Meeting, as well as our executive compensation program and other governance and corporate sustainability practices.



After making significant enhancements to our executive compensation program as a result of discussions with stockholders in the spring of 2020, we further engaged with stockholders in the fall and winter. We proactively reached out to institutional investors representing approximately 63% of our common stock, ultimately engaging with stockholders representing 50% of our common stock. XPO's independent directors led meetings with eight large stockholders representing approximately 40% of outstanding shares.

Following the 2020 Annual Meeting, at which 67% of stockholders voted for the Say-On-Pay proposal, stockholder feedback was shared with the Committee. The Committee met again in late spring 2020 to discuss the feedback and the potential design of long-term awards in connection with new employment agreements for Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Cooper and Mr. Harik. These awards were granted in July, consistent with our typical cadence for years in which long-term awards are granted. The following chart demonstrates the ways in which the Committee sought to address stockholder feedback through the design, metrics and cadence of these awards.

Topic	Stockholder Feedback	Our Response
Goal Achievement and Metrics	<ul> <li>Stockholders raised retention questions around the "hit or miss" construct of prior long-term awards, particularly when used with high-growth, long-term goals that are challenging to realize</li> <li>Stockholders expressed a preference for a sliding scale as a retentive and risk-reducing measure</li> <li>Stockholders expressed a preference for inclusion of a metric relative to peers in the long-term plan</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The Committee introduced a graduated sliding scale, providing opportunity for executives to earn a payout only if performance is at or above target; no award amounts will be earned for below-target performance</li> <li>Maximum goals were set to reflect stretch goals while target goals were set to represent ambitious but reasonably attainable growth</li> <li>The award is balanced among three weighted performance conditions, providing more stability in the award structure, versus being "hit or miss" on attainment of all goals</li> <li>The Committee added a relative adjusted cash flow growth metric to ensure balance between absolute and relative performance</li> </ul>

Topic	Stockholder Feedback	Our Response
ESG Alignment and Metrics	Stockholders discussed the company's potential incorporation of ESG metrics in its executive compensation plan to better align corporate goals with long-term strategy for corporate sustainability and societal impact	<ul> <li>The Committee added an ESG scorecard to the long-term incentive awards, weighted at 25%, with measurable targets set for workforce safety, environmental sustainability, information security, diversity and human capital management, among other categories</li> <li>Approximately 80% of the ESG initiatives in the scorecard are quantitative; non-quantitative measures require achievement of pre-determined hurdles or binary milestones in order to be certified</li> </ul>
Pay-for-Performance Alignment	■ Stockholders inquired about XPO's benchmarking review process, including the pay positioning the company seeks to achieve against peer performance	<ul> <li>The Committee commissioned studies by both its independent advisor and a management consultant to evaluate realizable pay and performance on total stockholder return; both studies found top pay-for-performance alignment</li> <li>The Committee's view is that sustained performance on stockholder returns at the top quartile warrants pay at</li> </ul>
Outstanding Awards and Cadence	<ul> <li>Stockholders requested clarity around the timing and frequency of executive grants and stated a preference for regularity and predictability in award-granting practices</li> <li>Stockholders inquired why the August 2018 award had not been cancelled when granting the new June 2019 award and how the awards interact with each other</li> </ul>	the top quartile  The Committee has committed to not grant additional long-term awards to Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Cooper or Mr. Harik while the 2020 LTI remains outstanding, barring unforeseen circumstances, and excluding any potential modifications to existing awards in connection with the company's plan to spin off our global logistics business  The Committee determined to leave the previously granted PSU awards in place given that, if achieved and earned, the target metric values would generate extraordinary stockholder value creation

This winter, we undertook a comprehensive effort to engage with stockholders to: (i) better understand the sources of concern regarding our executive compensation program; (ii) address areas of stockholder interest; (iii) update stockholders on our current business strategy, including our plan to spin off our global logistics business, and (iv) discuss the 2020 LTI structure. These discussions included independent directors of our Board, including our Compensation Committee Chair, Dr. Jason Papastavrou, and Board Vice Chairman, AnnaMaria DeSalva, as well as senior members of our management team. We sought feedback from stockholders who voted in favor of our executive compensation program, as well as from those who opposed it.

In these meetings, we also discussed XPO's ongoing areas of focus as we seek to operate as a safe, innovative and inclusive company. Key topics included:

- Our business strategy, performance and profit goals, including our plan to spin off our global logistics business, anticipated to occur later this year
- The impact of COVID-19 across the business and our strong commitment to employee health, safety and well-being
- Our 2020 say-on-pay vote; our 2020 LTI award structure; our overall executive compensation program, including our approach of incentivizing outperformance against financial and strategic goals; and our historical alignment of pay-for-performance and plan design, as linked to strategy
- Our emphasis on maintaining a diverse workforce, with proactive human capital management initiatives to advance diversity, equity and inclusion
- Our leveraging of technology to drive better outcomes for our customers, employees, operations, stockholders and the planet, as documented through corporate sustainability reporting
- Our thoughtful approach to Board composition, including our commitment to enhancing Board diversity, refreshment and
  risk oversight, such as the formal addition of ESG oversight by the Nominating, Corporate Governance and Sustainability
  Committee

In these conversations, we discussed several compensation-specific topics, including the structure of the 2020 LTI, our historical granting practices, disclosure enhancements and overall compensation plan design.

Topic	Summary of Discussion
2020 LTI Award	Directors and management discussed the 2020 LTI at length. As previously disclosed, the awards are denominated in cash, which was chosen in part because of the significant equity holdings of our executives as well as the macroeconomic uncertainty and stock volatility at the time of the grant.
	<ul> <li>Discussions focused on the form of the award, the structure of the performance periods, vesting terms, ESG metrics and potential disclosure of ESG targets.</li> </ul>
Historical Granting Practices	Stockholders expressed that while they understood the Committee's rationale for prior long-term awards and appreciated the strong link between pay and performance, they had concerns regarding the predictability and unique structure of these grants.
	Based on these and prior discussions, the Committee has committed to not grant additional long-term awards to Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Cooper or Mr. Harik while the 2020 LTI remains outstanding, barring unforeseen circumstances and excluding any potential modifications to existing awards in connection with the company's plan to spin off our global logistics business.
Disclosure Enhancements and Overall Plan Design	<ul> <li>Stockholders indicated that, given the non-standard form of the company's executive compensation program, additional disclosure would be useful in providing insight into how each element of compensation aligns pay and performance and ties to company strategy.</li> </ul>
	Based on these and prior discussions, the Committee has taken steps to provide greater disclosure throughout this 2021 Proxy Statement, including more detail on the Committee's process and rationale for compensation decisions, enhanced disclosure of our stockholder engagement efforts and the role of stockholder input into plan design.
	■ The Committee has reaffirmed its commitment to conducting rigorous analysis of the link between pay and performance across the compensation program, and to continue to be flexible in plan design, so that the program continues to reflect ambitious long-range goals and evolve to address the needs of all stakeholders, including executives, employees and stockholders.

# **COMPENSATION GOVERNANCE HIGHLIGHTS**

The company has adopted a compensation governance framework that includes the components described below, each of which the Committee believes reinforces the company's executive compensation philosophy.

# WHAT WE DO WHAT WE DON'T DO

Significant emphasis on variable compensation. Our executive compensation program is heavily weighted toward variable compensation, including long-term incentives that are primarily performance-based, and annual short-term cash incentives. This allows the Committee to closely align total compensation values with both company and individual performance on an annual and long-term basis.

No exceptional perquisites. Our NEOs have no guaranteed bonuses, relocation benefits or supplemental pension or retirement savings beyond what is provided broadly to all XPO employees. In addition, our NEOs have no perquisites such as personal use of company aircraft, executive health services, club memberships, stipends or financial planning services.

#### WHAT WE DO

Substantial portion of compensation subject to creation of stockholder value. Performance-based awards are, and have been, subject to meaningful stock price and/or earnings-related performance goals measured over service-based vesting periods. The Committee also continually reviews the full portfolio of XPO stockholdings for each NEO to ensure there is a sufficient amount of compensation at risk and aligned with stockholder returns and value creation, while sustaining the NEO's focus on the company's strategic objectives.

Stock ownership policies. The Board has established stock ownership guidelines and stock retention requirements that encourage the strong ownership mindset that exists among our executives.

Clawback policy. Our NEOs are subject to clawback restrictions with respect to long-term and annual short-term incentive compensation.

Restrictive covenants. Our NEOs are subject to comprehensive non-competition and other restrictive covenants.

Engage with stockholders. Our Board values stockholder feedback and carefully considers investor perspectives for incorporation into its decision-making process around governance, compensation and sustainability practices.

#### WHAT WE DON'T DO

No pledging or hedging of company stock, without preclearance. Under our insider trading policy, our company's directors and executive officers, including the NEOs, are prohibited from pledging or holding company securities in a margin account without preclearance. In addition, they are prohibited from engaging in hedging transactions without preclearance, such as prepaid variable forwards, equity swaps, collars and exchange funds or any other transactions that are designed to or have the effect of hedging or offsetting any decrease in the market value of company equity securities.

No guaranteed annual salary increases or bonuses. Salary increases are not guaranteed annually and are benchmarked against market data. We do not guarantee bonus payouts.

No stock option repricing or discounted exercise price. Our company's equity incentive plan does not permit either stock option repricing without stockholder approval or stock option awards with an exercise price below fair market value.

No golden parachute excise tax gross-ups. XPO does not provide golden parachute excise tax gross-ups.

No consultant conflicts. The Committee retains an independent compensation consultant who performs services only for the Committee, as described in more detail below under the heading "Role of the Committee's Independent Compensation Consultant."

### THE COMMITTEE'S COMPENSATION DECISION-MAKING PROCESS

The Committee met 11 times during 2020 to discuss executive compensation and other items pursuant to its charter. In addition to the regular responsibilities of the Committee, all members of the Board were invited to attend internal quarterly operating review meetings with business unit management; these meetings included in-depth reviews of the company's financial results, as well as discussions about COVID-19, operational execution, sales, customer service, technology initiatives, process innovation, human capital management, safety, the market landscape and business growth trajectories. The meetings also included a review of key performance indicators that track the company's achievement of financial and non-financial objectives for each business line. Multiple Committee members attended these three-day sessions throughout the year in order to remain well-informed of the company's financial and operational performance. In addition, the Board met nine times between March and May to discuss the impact of COVID-19 and the company's response in depth.

The Committee believes that its holistic approach to evaluating individual and company performance results in greater alignment with stockholder interests than do overly formulaic programs, which may skew incentives. The decision-making process incorporates an element of discretion, allowing the Committee to utilize a balanced, multi-dimensional approach to NEO compensation that includes a review of performance against goals set at the beginning of the year, as described below.

# **NEO Compensation-Setting Process**

The Committee resets the stage for executive compensation determinations at the start of each year, using a decision-making framework that includes the five key factors described below.

### KEY FACTORS CONSIDERED IN DETERMINING EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

# The company's financial results relative to publicly disclosed targets for 2020

- As part of the company's regular forecasting process for 2020, our senior executives established goals for adjusted EBITDA and free cash flow. These goals were reviewed with the Board periodically throughout the year, particularly in light of the impact of COVID-19. Performance against these goals was considered by the Committee when determining annual incentives.
- External guidance targets for adjusted EBITDA and free cash flow were suspended in April due to the pandemic and reinstated with updated guidance in the third quarter of 2020.
- The Committee considers TSR performance, both in absolute and relative terms, to supplement its consideration of operational key performance indicators.

# The current value of realized and future realizable payouts of previously awarded stock compensation

Stock-based compensation represents a significant portion of total realizable pay and, as a result, the Committee evaluated the current value of XPO stockholdings to determine the appropriate balance between short-term and long-term incentives, and to assess whether there is sufficient compensation at risk of forfeiture and value fluctuation, tied to the company's performance.

#### 3 Analysis of total reward levels relative to our core peer group, general industry and high-performing peer group

- The Committee, with input from management and its independent advisor, established the core peer group used in benchmarking executive compensation levels to ensure that the peer companies reflect characteristics comparable to XPO.
- The companies comprising the core peer group for 2020 remains unchanged from 2019 and represents most of our US-based, publicly traded competitors in the transportation and logistics industry, as listed below.

PEER	TICKER	2020 FULL-YEAR REVENUE \$ in millions
United Parcel Service, Inc.	UPS	\$84,628
FedEx Corp.	FDX	\$69,217
Union Pacific Corp.	UNP	\$19,533
C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc.	CHRW	\$16,207
CSX Corp.	CSX	\$10,583
Expeditors International of Washington, Inc.	EXPD	\$10,117
Norfolk Southern Corp.	NSC	\$9,789
J.B. Hunt Transport Services, Inc.	JBHT	\$9,637
Ryder Systems, Inc.	R	\$8,420
Knight-Swift Transportation	KNX	\$4,674
Yellow Corp. <sup>(1)</sup>	YELL	\$4,514
XPO Logistics, Inc.	ХРО	\$16,252
Percent Rank	AFO	70%
(1) Yellow Corp. (YELL) was formerly YRC Worldwide (YRCW).		

- In determining the target value of the 2020 LTI, the Committee referenced the upper quartile of pay relative to the core peer group to provide a balanced view of XPO's pay-for-performance, since most peers in the group have less revenue and a lower growth trajectory than XPO. Our TSR performance for 2016 to 2019 was at the 91st percentile of the peer group, as described in more detail under the heading "Our Commitment to Stockholder Value Creation and Alignment with Pay-for-Performance." The Committee believes in paying executives above-median relative to peer companies if XPO's TSR performance over a sustained period reflects top-quartile achievement.
- Additionally, the Committee reviews general industry market data for companies with revenue between \$10 billion and \$20 billion as a secondary reference. Given the significant number of senior executives hired from outside the transportation and logistics industry, general industry market data contributes to a comprehensive view of the market landscape.

- As an additional consideration in evaluating the 2020 LTI, the Committee referenced a high-performing peer group\*. Members of this peer group included Russell 3000 companies in the industrial, technology and consumer sectors, with revenue ranging from \$2 billion to \$126 billion, with above-median performance on TSR and six key financial measures over a five-year period: revenue growth, EPS growth, EBITDA growth, free cash flow growth, average return on equity and average return on capital. Of note, the pay-versus-performance analysis conducted against this group also showed strong alignment, with XPO's performance well above the 50th percentile for absolute five-year TSR.
- The combined consideration of the core peer group, general industry data and high-performing peer group ensures a balanced view of operating characteristics and performance comparability to XPO.
- \* The high-performing peer group was composed of the following companies: Adobe Inc., AMETEK, Inc., Amphenol Corporation, Applied Materials, Arista Networks, Automatic Data Processing, Broadridge Financial Solutions, Burlington Stores, Cadence Design Systems, CDW Corporation, Church & Dwight Company, Cintas Corporation, Comfort Systems USA, Inc., EPAM Systems, Inc., Fortinet, Inc., Fortune Brands Home & Security, Generac Holdings, Inc., HEICO Corporation, KLA Corporation, Lam Research, Lockheed Martin Corporation, Lululemon Athletica Inc., Mastercard Inc., McCormick & Company, Inc., Microsoft Corporation, Monster Beverage, NVIDIA Corporation, Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc., Patrick Industries, Inc., Paychex, Inc., Pool Corporation, Sirius XM Holdings, Tractor Supply Company, Ulta Beauty, United Rentals, Inc., Vail Resorts, Inc., Visa Inc. and Winnebago Industries, Inc.

# The annual incentive plan funding percentage relative to target for corporate, bonus-eligible employees

- To ensure alignment between executive and non-executive pay outcomes, the Committee considers the bonus pool funding under the annual incentive plan, relative to target, for the approximately 4,800 corporate bonus-eligible employees.
- The annual incentive plan calculates the bonus pool for corporate bonus-eligible employees using a formula tied to adjusted EBITDA. Although NEOs are not included in the annual incentive plan, the outcome of the bonus pool funding is an important consideration for the Committee when determining annual incentive outcomes for NEOs.
- Given the uncertainty that arose from COVID-19 in 2020, adjusted EBITDA targets used in determining the bonus pool were set on a quarter-by-quarter basis, starting in the second quarter. This resulted in aggregate 2020 bonus pool funding above target for the annual incentive plan, reflecting outperformance in the second half of the year, despite macroeconomic pressures.

# Individual performance and contributions to the company throughout 2020

- The Committee, with respect to the CEO, and the CEO, with respect to the other NEOs, evaluates the individual accomplishments and contributions of each continuing NEO, as described in the detailed assessments provided below.
- In assessing individual performance, the Committee's goal is to conduct a balanced assessment of the accomplishments and challenges faced by each NEO, in addition to considering the size and scope of the NEO's role and degree of involvement in driving operational and financial outcomes for certain business units and/or for the company as a whole.

# Pay Elements

Our executive compensation program consists of three primary elements: base salary, annual short-term incentive awards and long-term incentive awards. These elements are described in more detail below.

ELEMENT	PURPOSE	PAY-FOR-PERFORMANCE DESIGN
BASE SALARY	■ To attract and retain high-performing executives	<ul> <li>Fixed cash compensation corresponds to experience and job scope, and is aligned with market levels</li> </ul>
SHORT-TERM INCENTIVE	■ To reward annual performance and individual contributions that support strategy and results	<ul> <li>Executives become eligible for a bonus if adjusted EBITDA is at least 90% of the full-year forecast level</li> <li>Payouts are determined based on an evaluation of performance across key financial metrics, including adjusted EBITDA, free cash flow, TSR and individual performance, with awards ranging from zero to a cap of 200% of target</li> </ul>
LONG-TERM INCENTIVES	■ To focus executives on the execution of our strategy and long-term value creation, and to align their compensation with outcomes for our stockholders	<ul> <li>Since 2014, awards for our chief executive officer, president, and chief information officer, have been 100% performance-based and subject to the achievement of ambitious goals</li> <li>The Committee designs long-term incentive awards to motivate executives to achieve goals over an extended period of time; the Committee takes a strategic approach to the timing of grants in order to align awards with the company's strategy and stockholder returns</li> </ul>

# **EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION ELEMENTS AND OUTCOMES FOR 2020**

## **Annual Base Salary**

Annual base salary provides a fixed incentive that corresponds to an executive's experience and job scope. The Committee reviews base salaries each year. In order to bring base salaries in line with current market levels, the last increase was in 2019, after remaining unchanged since 2016 for each of Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Cooper and Mr. Harik.

#### **Annual Short-term Incentive**

Each NEO is eligible for a target short-term incentive ("STI") amount. Target STI amounts were not increased in 2020, consistent with the decision to not increase NEO base salaries. The table below reflects the 2020 annual target STI opportunities.

Executive Officer	Base Salary	Target Bonus Opportunity as a percentage of annual base salary	Target Bonus Opportunity	Maximum Bonus Opportunity
Brad Jacobs	\$1,000,000	200%	\$2,000,000	2x target
Troy Cooper	\$650,000	200%	\$1,300,000	2x target
Mario Harik	\$500,000	125%	\$625,000	2x target
David Wyshner	\$635,000	150%	\$952,500	2x target

Note:

Ms. Glickman and Mr. Rogers were not eligible for a STI payment for 2020, given that they were not employed for the full year.

### Gating Threshold to Establish Eligibility for Short-Term Incentive Payout

For the 2020 performance year, the Committee determined that the company's adjusted EBITDA must equal or exceed 90% of the 2020 full-year revised guidance in order for each NEO to become eligible for a short-term incentive award, assuming they remained employed on the payment date. This is the same gating threshold used for 2019.

# **Maximum Amount of Bonus**

The evaluation of short-term incentive payouts is based on a review of key performance measures that are of preeminent importance to the company and our stockholders, as well as on the respective contributions of each NEO. Based on the Committee's 2020 decision-making framework, cash bonuses are subject to a payout range of 0% to a cap of 200% of target.

# Financial Results Relative to Publicly Disclosed Targets for 2020

As part of the company's forecasting process for 2020, senior executives established goals for two key performance indicators, which were reviewed with the Board: adjusted EBITDA and free cash flow, shown below. Performance against these financial measures, together with annual TSR, was considered by the Committee when determining the 2020 annual incentive amounts for our NEOs.

PRIMARY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS UNDERSCORING COMMITTEE ASSESSMENT				
Key Measures	2020 Targets (1)	2020 Achievements		
Adjusted EBITDA*	\$1.35 billion	√ \$1.39 billion		
Free Cash Flow*	\$500 million	✓ \$554 million		
Annual TSR	Expectation of alignment with relevant indices	XPO: 50%  ✓ Dow Jones US Transportation Average: 17%  S&P 400 MidCap: 14%		

<sup>(1)</sup> Pre-pandemic guidance for 2020 adjusted EBITDA of \$1.785 billion to \$1.835 billion and free cash flow of \$600 million to \$700 million was provided on February 10, 2020, suspended in April due to the pandemic and reissued with new targets in the third quarter; 2020 targets above reflect the updated guidance provided in the third quarter.

Our full year 2020 performance was impacted by macroeconomic volatility, resulting in a year-over-year decline in adjusted EBITDA. Despite this macroeconomic disruption, our performance surpassed that of many of our core industry competitors based on multiple operational and financial measures, and we exceeded our ultimate adjusted EBITDA target for 2020. Notably, the skilled leadership of our NEOs led to a financial rebound for the company in the second half of the year and created momentum leading into 2021.

<sup>\*</sup> See Annex A for reconciliations of non-GAAP measures

# Assessment of Performance and Contributions In 2020

In considering the NEOs' annual short-term incentive awards for 2020, the Committee also evaluated the company's performance against its strategic objectives, the importance of each NEO's role in relation to the holistic operation of the company, and the CEO's assessment of each NEO's performance and contributions to the company. The chart below summarizes key 2020 achievements of each of our continuing NEOs. Ms. Glickman and Mr. Rogers are excluded, due to their departures from the company during 2020.

		HIGHLIGHTED ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE CEO
1	POST-COVID REBOUND	Mr. Jacobs led the company to strong market positioning and financial recovery in 2020, after pandemic-related macroeconomic volatility:
		<ul> <li>Adjusted EBITDA* growth of 2% year-over-year in the second half of 2020, following a COVID-related decline of 37% year-over-year in the first half</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Revenue growth of 7% year-over-year in the second half of 2020, following a COVID-related decline of 12% year-over-year in the first half</li> </ul>
		■ Robust, full-year free cash flow* generation of \$554 million
		<ul> <li>One-year, three-year and five-year TSRs of 50%, 30% and 337%, respectively</li> </ul>
		* See Annex A for reconciliations of non-GAAP measures
2	STRATEGIC VISION	Mr. Jacobs led several strategic initiatives to maximize stockholder value in 2020:
		<ul> <li>In January, XPO announced a plan to explore a sale or spin-off of one or more of the company's business units to further enhance stockholder value</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>In December, XPO announced a plan to spin off the company's global logistics business to more fully realize the potential of the business for all stakeholders and unlock the value not reflected in the company's conglomerate model</li> </ul>
3	LEADERSHIP OF THE COMPANY	Under Mr. Jacobs' leadership, we continued to build a strong, purpose-driven culture across all lines of business:
		Prioritized employee safety above all else to protect frontline workers during the pandemic
		<ul> <li>Adapted the business to stakeholder needs by adding a COVID-19 dashboard to our proprietary XPO         Connect™ digital transportation platform, providing carriers and customers with a single access point for         COVID-19 operating alerts in North America and Europe</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>XPO was No. 196 on the Fortune 500 List in 2020, and ranked No. 1 in the Fortune 500 category of transportation and logistics</li> </ul>
		Fortune Magazine named XPO one of the "World's Most Admired Companies" again in 2020
		<ul> <li>Gartner named XPO a Magic Quadrant Leader for third-party logistics providers for the fourth consecutive year</li> </ul>
4	EMPLOYEE ENGAGEMENT	Mr. Jacobs conducted quarterly employee engagement surveys, which are sent to approximately 50,000 employees across our global wired workforce to solicit feedback on employee satisfaction and encourage ideas for improvement; the percentage of satisfied employees remained high (exceeding 7 out of 10) throughout the year
		<ul> <li>Mr. Jacobs conducted numerous virtual roundtables with employees around the world in 2020 to discuss business priorities and answer questions</li> </ul>
		Mr. Jacobs continued to lead our company in several important charitable endeavors, including establishing XPO as the official transportation partner for the Susan G. Komen Foundation's 3-Day fundraising walks to fight breast cancer, as well as a companywide initiative to support Soles4Souls by donating shoes and financial support for those in need
5	BOARD ENGAGEMENT	<ul> <li>Throughout 2020, Mr. Jacobs continued to engage Board members in internal business reviews and COVID-19 updates, enabling real-time discussion</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Directors were deeply involved in defining the plan to spin off XPO's global logistics business, announced in December 2020</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Directors were invited to attend quarterly operating reviews and hear firsthand accounts of the progress of each major line of business and function against quarterly and annual goals (largely conducted virtually in 2020)</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Directors engaged in discussions with management on strategy, as well as on more immediate issues that had the potential to impact the business</li> </ul>

# HIGHLIGHTED ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE OTHER NEOS TROY COOPER Continued to focus operators on 10 companywide cost and revenue initiatives that represent a total pool of \$700 million to \$1 billion of profit growth opportunity by 2023, largely independent of macroeconomic President Put the company's less-than-truckload (LTL) business on a path to at least \$1 billion in EBITDA in 2022, with strong oversight leading to greater efficiency in LTL linehaul and pickup-and-delivery spend Led the LTL business to a record fourth guarter adjusted operating ratio\* of 84.5%, excluding real estate Led the North American transportation business to a second half year-over-year revenue increase of 6%, to \$5.6 billion Maintained XPO's competitive strengths in key service offerings, including our positions as the largest outsourced e-commerce fulfillment provider in Europe and the largest last mile provider for heavy goods in Supported operational efforts related to our plan to spin off our global logistics business, expected to be completed in the second half of 2021 \* See Annex A for reconciliations of non-GAAP measures MARIO HARIK Oversaw a team of more than 1,400 technology professionals and one of the largest technology budgets Chief Information Officer Made strategic capital allocations that helped XPO generate \$554 million of free cash flow\* in 2020 Led the further expansion of XPO Connect™, our proprietary digital freight management platform with fully automated capabilities for transportation transactions. Highlights of the expansion included the rapid adoption of XPO Connect™ in our European transportation and North American last mile businesses, and over 300,000 truck driver downloads of the platform's mobile app by year-end 2020, more than tripling the downloads at year-end 2019 Oversaw our proprietary XPO Smart™ productivity analytics platform, which is used in all of our North American LTL terminals and the majority of our global logistics sites, with further roll-outs underway Continued to oversee our robust cyber security program, which successfully blocked approximately 590 million threats to our operations during 2020 \* See Annex A for reconciliations of non-GAAP measures DAVID WYSHNER Kept XPO on target to generate free cash flow\* of \$554 million in 2020, exceeding the ultimate target of Chief Financial Officer Issued over \$1 billion of unsecured debt and took other important measures to significantly bolster liquidity during the pandemic Enhanced the company's financial planning and forecasting activities, including extensive efforts to estimate the effects of the pandemic under various scenarios Improved working capital performance and significantly reduced past-due receivables Actively managed the company's real estate portfolio Led the company's procurement efforts, resulting in incremental savings Continued to optimize the company's financial operations by enhancing infrastructure and further expanding XPO's finance shared-services model

### 2020 Short-Term Incentive (STI) Payout

Our short-term incentives are designed to reward annual performance and individual contributions that support strategy and results. Each NEO is eligible for a bonus if adjusted EBITDA is at least 90% of the full-year forecast. The maximum annual short-term incentive payout opportunity is capped at 200% of target. In making annual short-term incentive decisions, the Committee considers key financial measures that are important to the company and our stockholders, as well as individual performance and the overall funding for the corporate bonus pool. Award amounts are not based on a formulaic approach, as the Committee believes it is important to maintain flexibility, including the ability to adjust downward, in determining short-term incentive payouts.

\* See Annex A for reconciliations of non-GAAP measures

In making annual short-term incentive decisions for NEOs, the Committee first established that the company's adjusted EBITDA exceeded the 90% threshold required for a STI payout. For the 2020 performance year, the company's adjusted EBITDA\* was \$1.39 billion, reflecting the strong performance of the company in a challenging year and exceeding the external guidance for \$1.35 billion of adjusted EBITDA, provided during the second half of 2020. The company had temporarily suspended guidance in April and issued new guidance in the third quarter, reflecting the expected impact of COVID-19 on 2020 financial results.

The Committee believes that STI decisions for NEOs should be aligned with the payout for bonus-eligible employees, which was based on the achievement of adjusted EBITDA targets in 2020. Quarterly adjusted EBITDA performance resulted in an aggregate bonus funding of 165% of target for corporate bonus-eligible employees, reflecting significantly higher achievement against goals throughout 2020, including outperformance in the second half of the year, despite continued macroeconomic pressures.

<sup>\*</sup> See Annex A for reconciliations of non-GAAP measures

In consideration of the above factors, Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Cooper and Mr. Harik each received a short-term incentive payout of 165% of target, in line with the average payout for bonus eligible employees in the corporate function. Mr. Wyshner who began his service in March 2020, received a payout of 129% of target. The short-term incentive awards for our NEOs reflect their exemplary work in effectively leading XPO through the pandemic to a dramatic recovery, with the best fourth quarter performance in our history and a strong trajectory into 2021.

Below is a summary of our NEOs' total annual STI compensation at target, and with respect to 2020 final outcomes.

	STI FOR PERFORMANCE YEAR 2020					
			Target		Ac	ctual
Executive Officer	Annual Base Salary	Annual Bonus Opportunity as a percentage of annual base salary	Annual Bonus Opportunity	Total Annual STI	Bonus	Total Actual STI
Brad Jacobs	\$1,000,000	200%	\$2,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$3,300,000	\$4,300,000
Troy Cooper	\$650,000	200%	\$1,300,000	\$1,950,000	\$2,145,000	\$2,795,000
Mario Harik	\$500,000	125%	\$625,000	\$1,125,000	\$1,031,250	\$1,531,250
David Wyshner	\$635,000	150%	\$952,500	\$1,587,500	\$1,225,000	\$1,750,096 <sup>(1)</sup>

<sup>(1)</sup> For Mr. Wyshner, total includes actual salary earned of \$525,096 since hire (March 2, 2020 hire date)

### **LONG-TERM INCENTIVES**

XPO's incentive compensation is weighted toward long-term incentives that are tied to ambitious goals for key operational indicators. The Committee's pay-for-performance philosophy is focused on rewarding our NEOs for performance that creates substantial, long-term value for our stockholders; long-term incentive awards for our chief executive officer, president and chief information officer have been fully performance-based since 2014. Additionally, the Committee has taken a strategic approach to the timing of grants, which are not made on a typical annual cycle but are tied closely to the company's long-term results and awarded on a strategic cadence. Outstanding long-term incentive awards do not have overlapping payouts.

# Recently Completed and Currently Outstanding Long-Term Awards

XPO's fully-performance-based long-term incentive program is designed to align NEO performance with the interests of our stockholders and incentivize outperformance through achievement of long-term goals. The Committee takes the view that long-term awards should incorporate ambitious strategic goals, with payouts tied to meeting rigorous measures that are tailored to the drivers of future outperformance. The Committee's long-term award structure incentivizes our NEOs to achieve sustainable value creation.

# 2016 PHANTOM STOCK AWARD 2016 – 2019

- Final tranche was earned in 2019 based on achievement of challenging \$6.39 adjusted cash flow per share goal
- 192% cumulative TSR over 2016-2019 performance period demonstrates success in driving outperformance

# JUNE 2019 PSU AWARD 2019 – 2024

- Dual-conditioned performance goals require achievement of <u>both</u> relative TSR (34% outperformance) and \$9.08 adjusted EPS by year-end 2024 to earn any payout<sup>(1)</sup>
- Six-year performance period
- (1) XPO TSR must exceed that of S&P Transportation Select Industry Index by 34% (CAGR of 500 bps). Adjusted earnings per share of \$9.08 would represent a CAGR of 19% relative to 2018 adjusted EPS.

# AUGUST 2018 PSU AWARD 2019 – 2022

- Dual-conditioned performance goals require achievement of <u>both</u> \$225 stock price and \$14.00 adjusted cash flow per share by year-end 2022 to earn any payout
- If earned, would represent extraordinary stockholder value creation

# JULY 2020 PERFORMANCE LTI AWARD 2020 – 2026

- Three weighted performance goals for achievement including an absolute and relative metric, as well as the introduction of a new ESG scorecard
- Sliding scale achievement between 100% and 200% with no payout below target
- Four successive performance periods
- Four tranches vesting through 2026 (if earned), designed to avoid overlapping payouts with other outstanding awards

#### Note:

Outstanding awards do not have overlapping settlements; the settlements for the August 2018 and June 2019 PSU awards, if earned, would occur within the first quarter in the years 2023 and 2025, respectively, with no settlements scheduled in these years for the 2020 LTI grant. Also, all references to adjusted EPS refer to adjusted diluted EPS, unless otherwise noted.

#### July 2020 Long-Term Incentive Cash Compensation

The 2020 LTI was granted to each of Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Cooper and Mr. Harik in connection with the execution of new, four-year employment agreements, as their previous employment agreements expired in February 2020. Mr. Wyshner was granted performance-based restricted stock units upon his hire on March 2, 2020, and did not receive the 2020 LTI. The performance-based restricted stock unit award for Mr. Wyshner has a six-year performance period ending on December 31, 2024 and is earned if both goals are met: (i) exceed the S&P Transportation Select Industry Index TSR by at least 34% and (ii) adjusted EPS of \$9.08.

The structure of the 2020 LTI incorporates stockholder feedback received prior to our 2020 Annual Meeting. The target value for each tranche is \$10 million, \$3.35 million and \$2.25 million for Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Cooper and Mr. Harik, respectively. The Committee decided to denominate the 2020 LTI in cash, in part because of the significant equity holdings of our executives as well as the macroeconomic uncertainty and stock volatility at the time of the grant.

These awards are fully performance-based and include four tranches vesting through January 2026. To earn the award, the executives must attain and maintain performance levels that have already been set for the end of 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023, with additional vesting periods (if the award is earned) of up to two years following the end of each performance period. Each tranche may be earned at a level ranging from zero to 200% of target value, depending on the degree of achievement of goals tied to both absolute and relative adjusted cash flow per share and ESG performance. If a goal for a given tranche is not achieved, the portion of the award associated with that goal will be forfeited (that is, the forfeited portion cannot be carried forward and earned in a future year). Awards are based on rigorous performance targets, with no payouts for below-target performance.

The award structure contains three multi-year performance metrics: absolute adjusted cash flow per share, relative growth in adjusted cash flow per share (as compared to a defined peer group in the transportation industry), and ESG scorecard deliverables.

# 2020 LTI Structure

Below are details of the three performance metrics underlying the 2020 LTI, chosen by the Committee for their alignment with value creation over time.

	2020 LTI	PERFORMANCE METRICS
METRIC / WEIGHT	HIGHLIGHTS	RATIONALE FOR METRIC
ABSOLUTE ADJUSTED CASH FLOW PER SHARE 50% WEIGHTING	<ul> <li>Target payout requires absolute adjusted cash flow per share of at least \$7.63 by 2023, while maximum payout requires achievement of at least \$9.16 per share by 2023</li> <li>Consistent with market practice of incorporating an operational</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>This metric measures the company's effectiveness in using prudent capital allocation to drive growth; it is intended to represent organic EBITDA growth over an extended period of time</li> <li>The calculation subtracts capital expenditures from adjusted EBITDA to mitigate the possibility of artificially or temporarily inflating adjusted EBITDA by increasing capital investments</li> </ul>
	goal Intended to incentivize compounded growth over the three annual periods following 2020 Performance Period Targets 2020 2021 2022 2023	■ This metric is also responsive to acquisitions and divestitures: an acquisition would be expected to increase adjusted EBITDA, and increase either interest expense or share count or both, thereby mitigating the benefit of inorganic growth; a divestiture would be expected to reduce adjusted EBITDA, with the proceeds enabling any or all of debt pay down, reduction of interest expense or share buy back, thereby mitigating the impact of the reduction in adjusted EBITDA
	\$3.04 \$6.03 \$6.93 \$7.63  Note: 2020 based on second half results; 2021-2023 based on full year results	<ul> <li>In a stock buyback scenario, share count would decrease but interest expense would likely rise, thereby lowering adjusted cash flow and creating some offset</li> </ul>
GROWTH IN ADJUSTED CASH FLOW PER SHARE RELATIVE TO PEERS 25% WEIGHTING	<ul> <li>Target payouts require above- median performance (at least the 55th percentile), while maximum payouts require performance in at least the 75th percentile</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>This metric measures the company's success in growing cash flow per share faster than peers by comparing XPO's performance to an industry peer group (private companies were excluded due to limited data availability); there is zero payout for any ranking below eight in any of the four years within the performance period</li> <li>The peer group is comprised of the following 16 publicly traded companies that have a similar profile to XPO based on analysis by business lines, geographic footprint and asset composition</li> </ul>
		ArcBest Corporation Hub Group, Inc. Ryder System, Inc.
		C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. J.B. Hunt Transport Saia, Inc. Services, Inc.
		DSV Panalpina A/S  Kuehne & Nagel International AG  Werner Enterprises, Inc.
		Echo Global Logistics, Inc. Landstar System, United Parcel Service, Inc.
		Expeditors International of Washington, Inc.  Old Dominion Yellow Corporation (formerly YRC Worldwide)
		FedEx Corporation
		<ul> <li>This metric is responsive to stockholder requests for measures that compare performance relative to a peer group</li> </ul>
ESG SCORECARD ACHIEVEMENTS 25% WEIGHTING	On average, each tranche has 40 annual and multi-year goals aligned to categories in our materiality matrix  A COLOR OF THE TOO.	■ The new ESG scorecard measures company success in achieving goals across six categories: workforce and talent; employee and community safety; diversity, equity and inclusion; information security; environment and sustainability; and governance
	<ul> <li>Approximately 80% of the ESG initiatives in the scorecard are quantitative, and the non-quantitative measures must meet pre-determined hurdles or binary milestones</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>This metric is responsive to stockholder requests that ESG goals factor into executive compensation to demonstrate our company's commitment to ESG as part of long-term strategy</li> </ul>

### **ESG Scorecard Overview**

Our ESG scorecard is designed to provide a progressive means of evaluating the management of ESG initiatives and incentivizing long-term, successive ESG achievements. The company commissioned a management consultant to conduct a gap analysis relative to our core peer group, so that we could better understand the optimal ESG tracking methods and disclosures. Using these insights, management identified the most relevant initiatives as the basis for measurable ESG improvements over four years, taking into account lead time requirements, category weighting and target variances. The Committee agreed with the inputs from management and incorporated these recommendations into the scorecard.

The resulting scorecard initiatives encompass a range of material issues at the corporate and business unit levels in our Sustainability Report materiality matrix. The ESG scorecard metrics are a combination of annual and multi-year goals that span the total performance cycle of the award, with many building to full achievement at the end of the four-year period. The Committee uses the scorecard to objectively assess performance, and the company uses it to monitor ESG progress.

Our ESG scorecard is organized into six categories, with an average of approximately 40 initiatives per year, and with each initiative weighted equally within the year.

	Performance Period				
ESG Category	2020	2021	2022	2023	
	Weighting of ESG Category within Each Performance Period <sup>(1)</sup>				
Workforce and Talent	18.6%	22.2%	25.0%	26.3%	
Employee and Community Safety	34.9%	26.7%	27.5%	15.8%	
Diversity, Equity and Inclusion	11.6%	20.0%	15.0%	21.1%	
Information Security	11.6%	11.1%	12.5%	13.2%	
Environment and Sustainability	18.6%	15.6%	15.0%	15.8%	
Governance	4.7%	4.4%	5.0%	7.9%	
(A) Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	
(B) Total # of Initiatives	43	45	40	38	
# of Points Awarded Per Initiative (A/B)(1)	2.3	2.2	2.5	2.6	

<sup>(1)</sup> May reflect rounded values

# **ESG Scorecard Structure and Content Summary**

The following tables use examples to provide a summary of our ESG scorecard methodology. The targets do not reflect the full set of goals for each performance period.

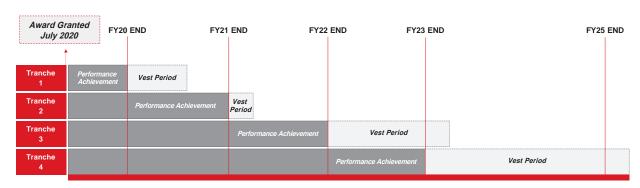
ESG SCORECARD SUMMARY					
ACHIEVEMENT METHODOLOGY	PRINCIPLES				
<ul> <li>Achievement is certified by the Committee annually using a scale of 1 – 100, with each target worth a predefined number of points</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Targets are rigorous and include a combination of annual and multi-year goals that span the total performance cycle of the award, with many targets building to full achievement at the end of the four-year period</li> </ul>				
<ul> <li>Category weighting is dependent upon the total number of targets in the category and varies by performance period, as some goals require a baseline or implementation time for achievement (i.e., expanding the hiring of women or underrepresented racial/ethnic groups)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Initiatives represent an overarching roadmap of deliverables for the company as a whole that align with the categories identified in the materiality matrix available in our Sustainability Report</li> <li>The ESG scorecard is at the forefront of the growing trend to include ESG components in long-term incentive design</li> </ul>				
<ul> <li>Achievement against targets is measured using a strict, predetermined calculation for each target and incorporates industry-specific measurement standards, as well as the Sustainability Accounting Standards Board (SASB) and Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) standards</li> </ul>	Supplies and an angle sum and a subject				

CATEGORY / WEIGHT %	STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES	SAMPLE INITIATIVES AND TARGETS					
Workforce and Talent 2020: 19% 2021: 22% 2022: 25%	<ul><li>Maintain employee job satisfaction</li><li>Maintain a rewarding, high- performance culture</li></ul>	Maintain a high average job satisfaction score of at least 7 (out of 10) in companywide and hourly engagement surveys for each performance period					
2023: 26%  Employee and Community	- Provide employee health	<ul> <li>Maintain an annualized voluntary turnover rate of ≤ 10% for LTL drivers (excluding retirees) for each performance period</li> </ul>					
Safety 2020: 35%	<ul> <li>Provide employee health, safety and financial protection during COVID-19</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Improve DOT-recordable preventable accident frequency in both Manage Transportation (MT) and LTL</li> <li>2020 2021 2022 2023</li> </ul>					
<ul><li>Encourage accident and injury prevention</li></ul>	0.65 (MT) / 0.68 (LTL) DOT- reportable preventable accidents per 1 million miles	3% (MT) / 2% (LTL) improvement over prior year	3% (MT) / 2% (LTL) improvement over prior year				
		Improve rate of	lost workdays as a	proportion of hours v	vorked in LTL		
		2020	2021	2022	2023		
		99 lost workdays for every 200,000 hours worked	2% improvement over prior year	2% improvement over prior year			
Diversity, Equity and Inclusion 2020: 12%	<ul> <li>Attract, retain and develop a diverse and inclusive workforce</li> </ul>			nderrepresented racia with separate targets 2022			
<b>2021</b> : 20% <b>2022</b> : 15% <b>2023</b> : 21%	<ul> <li>Build sustained diversity, equity and inclusion functions, with impactful programs and measurable</li> </ul>		Growth of ≥ 5% from 2020	Cumulative growth of ≥ 10% from 2020	Cumulative growth of ≥ 15% from 2020		
	actions  Maintain diverse supplier spend	<ul> <li>Maintain an annualized percentage of diverse hires (US employees) at ≥ 50% (2021 and 2022 performance periods) and ≥ 55% (2023 performance period)</li> </ul>					
		<ul> <li>Increase percentage of purchases allocated to diverse suppliers in the North American logistics business by a minimum of 10% for each performance period</li> </ul>					
Information Security 2020: 12% 2021: 11%	<ul> <li>Safeguard confidential customer and employee information; protect against</li> </ul>	◆ Target a mean time to resolve (MTTR) below industry average of 1.73 days (2020 performance period)					
<b>2022:</b> 13% <b>2023:</b> 13%	external threats	<ul> <li>Perform an annual, independent third-party information security health check and assess against benchmarks, maintaining rigorous information security at a level in the two top quartiles of the industry average for each performance period</li> </ul>					
Environment and Sustainability	Reduce fossil fuel dependency	◆ Improvement in	n fuel efficiency in M	lanaged Transportati	on		
<b>2020</b> : 19%	<ul> <li>Reduce carbon emissions</li> </ul>	2020	2021	2022	2023		
<b>2021</b> : 16% <b>2022</b> : 15% <b>2023</b> : 16%	and carbon footprint  Reduce nitrogen oxide emissions	Average of at least 7 mpg by year end	Average at least 7.5 mpg by year end	Average 7.5 mpg or higher by year end	Average 7.5 mpg or higher by year end		
	Reduce waste	LTL over prior	year (2020 performa	. ,			
		<ul> <li>Reduce carbon emissions by 10% or more in North American logistics distribution centers by 2023</li> <li>Establish a European Sustainability Steering Committee (2020)</li> </ul>					
		performance pe	eriod)*	, ,			
		* The mandate of the European Sustainability Steering Committee includes carbon reduction targets to reduce overall greenhouse gas emissions by 25% and reduce vehicular emissions per tonne.km by 10% by 2030 using a 2019 baseline					
Governance 2020: 5% 2021: 4% 2022: 5% 2023: 8%	Maintain compliance with federal, state and local laws			r all mandatory and a ach performance peri			

# Performance and Vesting Schedule

The graphic below depicts the performance and vesting schedules of the 2020 LTI, demonstrating that multi-year performance goals reward cumulative growth in steps over the defined time period, with the full vesting of the award not completed until January 2026.

# 2020 LTI – ILLUSTRATIVE PERFORMANCE AND VESTING SCHEDULE(1)



<sup>(1)</sup> The award is earned in four installments and vests on the first anniversary of grant (July 31, 2021) and each of January 15, 2022, 2024 and 2026.

# **Sliding Scale Payout**

The 2020 LTI features a sliding scale payout structure in place of the "hit or miss" construct used in prior long-term awards. This change was made in response to stockholder feedback that overly rigorous goals may pose a retention risk or encourage excessive risk-taking. The payout scales are formulated as shown below.

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Target Below Target

Absolute Adjusted Cash Flow Per Share <sup>(1)</sup>			
Attainment as % of target goal	Value Earned as % of target goal		
120%	200%		
110%	150%		
100%	100%		
< 100%	0%		

Relative Growth in Adjusted Cash Flow Per Share <sup>(1)</sup>				
Attainment Percentile rank vs. peers	Value Earned as % of target goal			
≥ 75th	200%			
65th	150%			
55th	100%			
< 55th	0%			

ESG Scorecard				
ESG Scorecard Points out of 100 total points	Value Earned as % of target goal			
90-100	200%			
85-89	150%			
80-84	100%			
< 80	0%			

# 2020 LTI Outcomes—First Performance Period

The first performance period of the 2020 LTI was completed on December 31, 2020 and resulted in a blended outcome of 175% payout earned for the 2020 performance period. The 2020 consolidated outcome from the three weighted performance goals was as follows: absolute adjusted cash flow per share (200% earned at 50% weighting); relative growth in adjusted cash flow per share (100% earned at 25% weighting); and the ESG scorecard (200% earned at 25% weighting). The Committee certified performance achievement in March 2021 with an expected vest date in July 2021.

The following tables detail the first performance period achievement for our NEOs, each of the performance metrics and the associated payout scales.

2020 LTI ACHIEVEMENT FOR PERFORMANCE YEAR 2020					
NEO	Target Value at 100%	Actual Value Earned at 175%			
Brad Jacobs	\$10,000,000	\$17,500,000			
Troy Cooper	Froy Cooper \$3,350,000 \$5,862,500				
Mario Harik	\$2,250,000	\$3,937,500			

<sup>(1)</sup> Linear interpolation shall be applied between each threshold

# 2020 LTI Outcome by Metric—First Performance Period

Absolute Adjusted Cash Flow Per Share

50% weighting Linear interpolation Second half of 2020 measurement period

- Calculated as adjusted EBITDA (determined in accordance with the company's monthly operating reports and for external reporting purposes, and adjusted for the impact of stock and long-term cash-based compensation) less gross capital expenditures and net interest; divided by diluted shares outstanding, provided that the Committee may, in its discretion, adjust the number of diluted shares outstanding to neutralize the impact of changes in capital structure (including stock splits, reverse stock splits or stock dividends)
- Actual achievement in adjusted cash flow per share for the second half of 2020 was significantly above the target of \$3.04, resulting in earned payout at 200%

	Absolute A Cash Flow P		
	2H 2020 Target	Value Earned	2H 2020 Outcome
\$3.65 (120%)		200%	Achieved
Upside	\$3.34 (110%)	150%	
Target	\$3.04 (Target)	100%	
Below Target	Below \$3.04	0%	

Relative Growth in Adjusted Cash Flow Per Share

25% weighting Linear interpolation Second half of 2020 measurement period

- Calculated as the percentile rank of the company's growth in adjusted cash flow per share relative to the growth in adjusted cash flow per share of the companies in the peer group for the first performance period
- Growth, with respect to the 2020 performance period, refers to the percent change between the adjusted cash flow per share for the second half of 2020 and the second half of 2019 for XPO, and for each company in the peer group
- Actual achievement relative to the peer group was at the 55th percentile rank for the second half of 2020, resulting in earned payout at 100%

	Relative Growth in Ac Per Sh		
	Percentile Rank	Value Earned	
Upside	≥ 75th	200%	
Opside	65th	150%	2H 2020 Outcom
Target	55th	100%	Achieved
Below Target	< 55th	0%	

**ESG Scorecard** 

25% weighting Full year 2020 measurement period

- Calculated as the aggregate outcome of 43 equally-weighted initiatives for 2020, with each initiative worth a rounded value of 2.3 points (initiatives add up to 100 points)
- Actual achievement of 90.7 out of 100 points resulted in earned payout at 200%

	ESG Scor		
	ESG Scorecard Grade	Value Earned	2020 Outcome
Uneido	90-100	200%	90.7 points
Upside	85-89	150%	
Target	80-84	100%	
Below Target	< 80	0%	

# Impact of the Announced Plan to Spin Off Our Global Logistics Business

In light of the announced plan to spin off our global logistics business, the Committee will review the 2020 LTI structure to recalibrate the targets so that they reflect the remaining company's strategy and financial metrics on a post-separation basis, including the initiatives that underlie the ESG scorecard goals. Similarly, the Committee will consider treatment of the remaining outstanding long-term incentive awards in the context of: (i) the value created for stockholders through the spin-off transaction; (ii) the appropriate incentive structure to encourage retention of the remaining executives; (iii) stockholder feedback from engagement sessions; and (iv) the ability to recreate similarly situated, high-growth goals that are aligned with the Committee's original intentions.

# **OUR EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION GOVERNANCE FRAMEWORK**

#### Stock Ownership Policies

We believe that executive equity ownership in the company mitigates a number of risks, including risks related to executive attrition and undue risk-taking.

#### **Guidelines**

Stock ownership guidelines are expressed as a multiple of each NEO's annual base salary:

- CEO: 6x annual base salary
- Other NEOs: 3x annual base salary

Compliance with our stock ownership guidelines is generally determined using the aggregate count of shares of common stock held directly or indirectly by the NEO, plus unvested restricted stock units ("RSUs") subject solely to time-based vesting. Stock options, whether vested or unvested, and equity-based awards subject to performance-based vesting conditions, are not counted toward meeting stock ownership guidelines until they have settled or been exercised, as applicable.

Until the stock ownership guidelines are met, an executive is required to retain 70% of the net shares (after tax withholding) received upon settlement of equity-based awards. A newly appointed executive is required to reach his or her stock ownership guideline no later than three years from the date of appointment.

As of the most recent record date of April 8, 2021, Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Cooper and Mr. Harik were in compliance with our stock ownership guidelines, and Mr. Jacobs exceeded the guidelines by a significant degree: his ownership as a multiple of salary was equal to 2,303. Ownership as a multiple of salary for Mr. Cooper and Mr. Harik as of the same date was 26 and 30, respectively. Mr. Wyshner is required to meet his stock ownership guidelines no later than March 2023, three years from his appointment as chief financial officer.

# **Clawback Policy**

Our NEOs are subject to clawback restrictions with respect to long-term and annual short-term incentive compensation. The Committee is focused on mitigating risk associated with the company's compensation program for NEOs and believes that clawback provisions are an important tool to achieve this.

#### Long-term incentive compensation

The NEO employment agreements include a clawback provision under which the NEO may be required, upon certain triggering events, to repay all or a portion of long-term incentive compensation that was previously paid (including proceeds from previously-exercised and vested equity-based awards) and to forfeit unvested equity-based awards during the term of the employment agreements. These clawback provisions are generally triggered if any of the following conditions apply—the NEO:

- Has engaged in fraud or other willful misconduct that contributes materially to any significant financial restatement or material loss to our company or any of our affiliates;
- Is terminated for cause, as defined in the employment agreement; or
- Breaches the restrictive covenants that are applicable under the employment agreement.

### Annual short-term incentive compensation

In addition, if a NEO has engaged in fraud or other willful misconduct that contributes materially to any financial restatement or material loss to the company or any of its affiliates, the company may: (i) require repayment by the NEO of any cash bonus or annual bonus previously paid, net of any taxes paid by the NEO on such bonus; (ii) cancel any earned but unpaid cash bonus or annual bonus; and/or (iii) adjust the NEO's future compensation in order to recover an appropriate amount with respect to the restated financial results or the material loss.

#### Additional provision

To the extent that the rules adopted by the SEC under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act are broader than the clawback provisions contained in our NEO employment agreements, and to the extent the company is required to implement a clawback policy pursuant to applicable law, the NEOs will each be subject to additional clawback provisions pursuant to such rules as described under the heading "Employment Agreements with NEOs—Clawbacks."

#### Role of the Committee

The Committee is responsible for approving our compensation practices and overseeing our executive compensation program in a manner consistent with XPO's compensation philosophy. The Committee is tasked with: (i) reviewing the annual and long-term performance goals for our NEOs; (ii) approving awards under incentive compensation and equity-based plans; and (iii) approving all other compensation and benefits for our NEOs. The Committee acts independently but works closely with the full Board and executive management in making many of its decisions. To assist it in discharging its responsibilities, the Committee has retained the services of an independent compensation consultant, as discussed further below.

# Role of Management

Executive management provides input to the Committee, including with respect to the Committee's evaluation of executive compensation practices. In particular, our chief executive officer, Mr. Jacobs, provides recommendations for proposed compensation actions with respect to our executive team, but not with respect to his own compensation. The Committee carefully and independently reviews the recommendations of management without members of management present and consults its independent advisor before making final determinations. We believe this process ensures that our executive compensation program effectively aligns with XPO's compensation philosophy and stockholder interests.

# Role of the Committee's Independent Compensation Consultant

The Committee directly retained Semler Brossy as its independent advisor until September 2020, at which time the Committee decided to retain Exequity. Among other things, the Committee's independent advisor consults on compensation and governance matters, monitors trends and evolving market practices in executive compensation and provides general advice and support to the Committee and Committee's chairman. Specifically, for 2020, Semler Brossy supported the Committee by reviewing long-term incentive awards for NEOs, and Exequity supported the Committee by providing guidance regarding the annual STI awards and by reviewing the content of this Compensation Discussion and Analysis. Neither Semler Brossy nor Exequity provide any other services to the company.

The Committee considered the independence of both Semler Brossy and Exequity in light of applicable SEC rules and NYSE listing standards. After taking into account the absence of any relationships with management and members of the Committee, as well as Semler Brossy and Exequity's internal policies and other information provided to the Committee, the Committee determined that no conflicts of interest existed that would prevent either firm from serving as an independent compensation consultant to the Committee.

### OTHER COMPENSATION-RELATED ITEMS

### **Equity Granting Policy**

All equity awards to NEOs are approved by the Committee with a grant date determined at the time of approval. The Committee does not target a specific time during the year to make equity grants, but grant dates are always on or after the date of Committee approval.

### **Benefits**

Our NEOs are provided with the same benefits as are generally offered to other eligible employees, including participation in the XPO Logistics, Inc. 401(k) Plan and insurance benefit programs. Our NEOs receive minimal perquisites, as shown in the "All Other Compensation" table following this Compensation Discussion and Analysis.

### **Employment Agreements**

We believe that it is in the best interests of our company to enter into multi-year employment agreements with our NEOs, as the agreements promote long-term retention while allowing the Committee to exercise discretion in designing incentive compensation programs. The material compensation-related terms of these agreements are described under the heading "Employment Agreements with NEOs" and the tables that follow this Compensation Discussion and Analysis.

### Severance Arrangements with Mr. Rogers and Ms. Glickman

Following the termination of Mr. Rogers from the company on March 11, 2020, and as a result of his termination without cause, Mr. Rogers received a cash severance payment of \$164,038. As a result of Mr. Rogers' subsequent re-employment at

Stericycle Inc. in April 2020, in accordance with the terms of his employment agreement, he did not receive continued medical and dental coverage.

Following Ms. Glickman's termination from the company on April 13, 2020, and as a result of her termination without cause, Ms. Glickman received: (i) a cash severance payment of \$300,769 and (ii) medical and dental coverage for six months.

### Tax Considerations

Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended (the "Code") disallows a federal income tax deduction to public companies for compensation greater than \$1 million paid in any tax year to covered executive officers. Under prior law, there was an exception to the \$1 million deduction limitation for compensation that met the requirements of "qualified performance-based compensation." However, for tax years after 2017, this exception has been eliminated, subject to limited transition relief for certain grandfathered arrangements.

As a general matter, while tax deductibility is one of several relevant factors considered by the Committee in determining compensation, we believe that the tax deduction limitation imposed by Section 162(m) should not compromise the company's access to compensation arrangements that will attract and retain a high level of executive talent. Accordingly, the Committee and our Board will take into consideration a multitude of factors in making executive compensation decisions and may approve executive compensation that is not tax deductible.

# Risk Assessment of Incentive Compensation Programs

The Committee has concluded that the company's compensation plans and programs are not reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on the company.

For the 2019 plan year, in partnership with a third-party compensation advisory group, the company performed an assessment for the Committee in order to determine whether there were material risks that could arise from our compensation plans and programs. This assessment included a review of material elements of non-executive and executive compensation plans.

For the 2020 plan year, non-executive compensation plans and programs did not materially deviate from those in place during 2019. For executive compensation plans and programs, the Committee considered the fact that executive officer long-term incentives, which were reviewed by the Committee's independent advisor, as well as a third-party compensation advisory group, continued to use metrics that undergo a rigorous goal-setting process, were linked to strategic goals and have longer-term performance periods.

### COMPENSATION COMMITTEE REPORT

The following statement made by the Committee does not constitute soliciting material and should not be deemed filed or incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except to the extent that we specifically incorporate such statement by reference.

The Committee reviewed the Compensation Discussion and Analysis with management as required by Item 402(b) of Regulation S-K, as set forth above. Based on this review and the resulting discussions with management, the Committee recommended to our Board of Directors that the Compensation Discussion and Analysis be included in this Proxy Statement and incorporated by reference into the company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020.

# **COMPENSATION COMMITTEE:**

Jason D. Papastavrou, chairman (since April 17, 2020) Marlene M. Colucci, member Michael G. Jesselson, member

# **COMPENSATION TABLES**

# **Summary Compensation Table**

The following table sets forth information concerning the total compensation awarded to, earned by, or paid to our NEOs for the year ended December 31, 2020.

Name and Principal Position	Year	Salary (\$)	Bonus <sup>(1)</sup> (\$)	Stock Awards <sup>(2)</sup> (\$)	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation <sup>(3)</sup> (\$)	All Other Compensation <sup>(4)</sup> (\$)	Total (\$)
Brad Jacobs <sup>(5)</sup> Chairman and Chief Executive Officer	2020 2019 2018	\$1,000,000 \$838,462 \$625,000	\$3,300,000 — —	\$7,007,415 <sup>(6)</sup> \$12,690,463 <sup>(7)</sup>	\$17,500,000 — —	\$12,660 \$12,460 \$12,008	\$21,812,660 \$7,858,337 \$13,327,471
<b>Troy Cooper</b> President	2020 2019 2018	\$650,000 \$601,539 \$537,500	\$2,145,000 — —	\$3,751,031 <sup>(6)</sup> \$2,460,008 <sup>(7)</sup>	\$5,862,500 — —	\$12,660 \$12,460 \$12,008	\$8,670,160 \$4,365,030 \$3,009,516
Mario Harik Chief Information Officer	2020 2019 2018	\$500,000 \$467,692 \$425,000	\$1,031,250 — \$276,300	\$1,648,799 <sup>(6)</sup> \$1,230,004 <sup>(7)</sup>	\$3,937,500 — —	\$12,660 \$12,271 \$11,857	\$5,481,410 \$2,128,762 \$1,943,161
David Wyshner Chief Financial Officer	2020	\$525,096	\$1,225,000	\$3,032,212(8)	_	\$1,050	\$4,783,358
Sarah Glickman <sup>(9)</sup> Former Acting Chief Financial Officer Kurt Rogers <sup>(10)</sup> Former Chief Legal Officer	2020 2019 2018 2020	\$124,231 \$425,000 \$246,827 \$59,231	\$207,200 —	\$3,389 \$537,660 <sup>(6)</sup> \$3,528,923 \$3,549,732 <sup>(8)</sup>	_ _ _	\$324,568 \$17,274 \$79,369 \$195,358	\$452,188 \$979,934 \$4,062,319 \$3,804,321

- (1) The amounts reflected in this column for 2020 represent annual cash bonus awards earned in respect of 2020 for Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Harik and Mr. Wyshner. No cash bonus awards were earned in respect of 2019. The amounts reflected in this column for 2018 represent an annual cash bonus award earned in respect of 2018 for Mr. Harik and Ms. Glickman.
- The amounts reflected in this column represent the aggregate grant date fair value of the awards made during each respective year, as computed in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718, and for Ms. Glickman, the 2020 amount includes incremental compensation earned in respect of RSUs that were accelerated in connection with her termination of employment with the company. For information related to Ms. Glickman's incremental compensation see footnote 9 of this table. For additional information related to the measurement of stock-based compensation awards, see Note 15 to the financial statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2020.
- (3) On July 31, 2020, the Committee awarded Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Cooper and Mr. Harik 2020 six-year cash LTI awards that require achievement of (i) an absolute adjusted cash flow per share goal, (ii) a relative growth in adjusted cash flow per share goal and (iii) a scorecard related to ESG goals. The award is composed of four tranches, and, subject to performance and continuing service, such tranches may be earned on the first anniversary of grant (July 31, 2021) and each of January 15, 2022, 2024 and 2026, respectively. The goals underlying the 2020 LTI are subject to both performance-based and service-based conditions. The target award can be earned based on attainment of the absolute adjusted cash flow per share goals of \$3.04, \$6.03, \$6.93 and \$7.63 for each of the second half of 2020 and full year 2021, 2022 and 2023, respectively (50% of award); the relative growth in adjusted cash flow per share goal at the 55th percentile (25% of award); or achievement against goals related to ESG as outlined in a comprehensive scorecard (25% of award). The award is earned based on a sliding scale with a minimum payout of 0% and a maximum payout of 200%.
- (4) The components of "All Other Compensation" for 2020 are detailed in the "All Other Compensation" table.
- (5) Mr. Jacobs did not receive any additional compensation for his service as a director.
- (6) In June 2019, the Committee awarded Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Harik and Ms. Glickman PRSUs that require achievement of both a high-growth performance and TSR goal, and cannot be earned until after the six-year performance period ending December 31, 2024. The goals underlying these PRSUs include: (i) \$9.08 adjusted earnings per share (CAGR of 19%) by December 31, 2024, and (ii) exceed the S&P Transportation Select Industry Index TSR by at least 34% (CAGR of 500 basis points) by December 31, 2024. Both goals must be attained for the award to be earned; there is no threshold level of payment for below-target performance and no upside leverage for exceeding the targets. The amount for Ms. Glickman also includes an equity award of 1,900 time-based RSUs with respect to 2018 granted on April 18, 2019.
- (7) In August 2018, the Committee awarded Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Cooper and Mr. Harik PRSUs that require achievement of both a high-growth performance and stock price goal, and cannot be earned until after the four-year performance period ending December 31, 2022. The goals underlying these PRSUs include: (i) achievement of an average stock price of \$225 over a 20-trading day period by December 31, 2022, and (ii) Adjusted Cash Flow Per Share (as defined in the relevant award agreements) of \$14.00 by December 31, 2022. Both goals must be attained for the award to be earned; there is no threshold level of payment for below-target performance and no upside leverage for exceeding the targets.
- (8) The amounts for Mr. Wyshner and Mr. Rogers reflect RSU and PRSU awards granted upon hire on March 2, 2020 and February 3, 2020, respectively. The Committee awarded Mr. Wyshner and Mr. Rogers PRSUs that require achievement of both a high-growth performance and TSR goal, and cannot be earned until after the six-year performance period ending December 31, 2024. The goals underlying these PRSUs include: (i) \$9.08 adjusted earnings per share (CAGR of 19%) by December 31, 2024, and (ii) exceed the S&P Transportation Select Industry Index TSR by at least 34% (CAGR of 500 basis points) by December 31, 2024. Both goals must be attained for the award to be earned; there is no threshold level of payment for below-target performance and no upside leverage for exceeding the targets.
- (9) Effective April 13, 2020, Ms. Glickman terminated employment with the company without cause. Between March 2, 2020 and her termination, Ms. Glickman served as SVP, Corporate Finance and Transformation. As a result of her termination without cause, 1,430 RSUs from the award granted on April 18, 2019 and 11,793 RSUs from the award granted on June 8, 2018 were accelerated and became fully vested. The April 2019 RSUs had (i) an intrinsic value of \$97,812 on the acceleration date and (ii) a grant date fair value of \$94,423 on the grant date (which amount is included in this table under 2019 and in the Summary Compensation Tables in the prior year proxy statement). As a result, the table above includes \$3,389 of incremental compensation for Ms. Glickman in respect of the April 2019

RSUs. The June 2018 RSUs had (i) an intrinsic value of \$806,641 on the acceleration date and (ii) a grant date fair value of \$1,312,325 on the grant date (which amount is included in this table under 2018 and in the Summary Compensation Tables in prior year proxy statements). As a result, the table above does not include incremental compensation for Ms. Glickman in respect of the June 2018 RSUs.

(10) Effective March 11, 2020, Mr. Rogers terminated employment with the company without cause. As a result of his termination without cause, 4,968 RSUs from the award granted on February 3, 2020 were accelerated and became fully vested. The February 2020 RSUs had (i) an intrinsic value of \$288,790 on the acceleration date and (ii) a grant date fair value of \$448,064 on the grant date (which amount is included in this table under 2020). As a result, the table above does not include incremental compensation for Mr. Rogers in respect of the February 2020 RSUs.

We compensate our NEOs pursuant to the terms of their respective employment agreements and the information reported in the Summary Compensation Table reflects the terms of such agreements. For more information about our NEOs' employment agreements, see the discussion in this proxy statement under the heading "Employment Agreements with NEOs."

# All Other Compensation Table

The following table sets forth the amounts included in the "All Other Compensation" column in the "Summary Compensation" table for our NFOs in 2020

Name	Matching Contributions to 401(k) Plan <sup>(1)</sup> (\$)	Company- Paid Life Insurance Premiums <sup>(2)</sup> (\$)	Perquisites and Other Personal Benefits (\$)	Payout of Paid Time Off <sup>(3)</sup> (\$)	Severance <sup>(4)</sup> (\$)	Relocation <sup>(5)</sup> (\$)	Relocation Gross-up <sup>(6)</sup> (\$)	Continuation of Medical / Dental Benefits <sup>(7)</sup> (\$)	Total (\$)
Brad Jacobs	\$11,400	\$1,260	_	_	_	_	_	_	\$12,660
Troy Cooper	\$11,400	\$1,260	_	_	_	_	_	_	\$12,660
Mario Harik	\$11,400	\$1,260	_	_	_	_	_	_	\$12,660
David Wyshner	_	\$1,050	_	_	_	_	_	_	\$1,050
Sarah Glickman	\$5,907	\$358	_	\$7,100	\$300,769	_	_	\$10,434	\$324,568
Kurt Rogers	_	\$210	_	_	\$164,038	\$23,317	\$7,793	_	\$195,358

<sup>(1)</sup> Amounts in this column represent matching contributions made by XPO to the company's 401(k) plan. Only amounts contributed directly by our NEOs are eligible for matching contributions, and our NEOs are eligible for matching contributions on the same basis as all other eligible employees of our company.

- (2) Amounts in this column include the company-paid premiums for basic life insurance.
- (3) Amounts in this column reflect a payout of paid time off provided to Ms. Glickman in connection with her termination of employment with the company.
- (4) Amounts in this column reflect a payout of severance provided to each of Ms. Glickman and Mr. Rogers in connection with their termination of employment with the company.
- (5) Amounts in this column reflect relocation benefits provided by the company to Mr. Rogers in connection with his commencement of employment in 2020.
- (6) Amounts in this column reflect the tax gross-up provided to Mr. Rogers in respect of the relocation benefits provided by the company.
- (7) Amounts in this column reflect the continuation of medical and dental benefits provided by the company to Ms. Glickman in connection with her termination of employment with the company.

# **Grants of Plan-Based Awards**

The following table sets forth additional details regarding grants of equity and non-equity plan-based awards.

	Grant	Grant	Estimated Future Payouts Under Non-Equity Incentive Plan Awards <sup>(1)</sup>		Estimated Future Payouts Under Equity Incentive Plan Awards <sup>(2)</sup>	uts Under Awards: quity Number of ( centive Shares of		
Name	Date	Type	Threshold (\$)	Target (\$)	Maximum (\$)	Target (#) <sup>(3)</sup>	Units (#)	Awards (\$) <sup>(4)</sup>
Brad Jacobs	7/31/2020	Cash LTI	_	\$40,000,000	\$80,000,000	_	_	_
Troy Cooper	7/31/2020	Cash LTI	_	\$13,400,000	\$26,800,000	_	_	_
Mario Harik	7/31/2020	Cash LTI	_	\$9,000,000	\$18,000,000	_	_	_
David Wyshner	3/2/2020 3/2/2020	PSU RSU		_	_	26,319	26,319	\$1,032,231 \$1,999,981
Sarah Glickman <sup>(5)</sup>	5/11/2020	RSU	_	_	_	_	1,430	\$3,389
Kurt Rogers <sup>(6)</sup>	2/3/2020 2/3/2020	PSU RSU				27,719 —	<u> </u>	\$1,549,769 \$1,999,963

<sup>(1)</sup> On July 31, 2020, the Committee awarded Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Cooper and Mr. Harik 2020 six-year cash LTI awards that require achievement of (i) an absolute adjusted cash flow per share goal, (ii) a relative growth in adjusted cash flow per share goal and (iii) a scorecard related to ESG goals. The award is composed of four

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tranches, and, subject to performance and continuing service, such tranches may be earned on the first anniversary of grant (July 31, 2021) and each of January 15, 2022, 2024 and 2026, respectively. The goals underlying the 2020 LTI are subject to both performance-based and service-based conditions. The target award can be earned based on attainment of the absolute adjusted cash flow per share goals of \$3.04, \$6.03, \$6.93 and \$7.63 for each of the second half of 2020 and full year 2021, 2022 and 2023, respectively (50% of award); the relative growth in adjusted cash flow per share goal at the 55th percentile (25% of award); or achievement against goals related to ESG as outlined in a comprehensive scorecard (25% of award). The award is earned based on a sliding scale with a minimum payout of 0% and a maximum payout of 200%.

- (2) The amount for Mr. Wyshner reflects awards granted upon hire on March 2, 2020. The amount for Mr. Rogers reflects awards granted upon hire on February 3,
- (3) PRSUs are reflected at the target level, which is also the threshold and maximum level. There is no threshold level of payment for below target performance and no upside leverage for exceeding the targets.
- (4) Amounts in this column reflect the grant date fair value of awards calculated in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718, using the valuation methodology set forth in Note 15 to the financial statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2020, and for Ms. Glickman, the 2020 amount includes incremental compensation earned in respect of RSUs that were accelerated in connection with her termination of employment with the company. For information related to Ms. Glickman's incremental compensation see footnote 5 of this table.
- (5) Effective April 13, 2020, Ms. Glickman terminated employment with the company without cause. Between March 2, 2020 and her termination, Ms. Glickman served as SVP, Corporate Finance and Transformation. As a result of her termination without cause, 1,430 RSUs from the award granted on April 18, 2019 and 11,793 RSUs from the award granted on June 8, 2018 were accelerated and became fully vested. The April 2019 RSUs had (i) an intrinsic value of \$97,812 on the acceleration date and (ii) a grant date fair value of \$94,423 on the grant date (which amount is included in this table under 2019 and in the Summary Compensation Tables in the prior year proxy statement). As a result, the table above includes \$3,389 of incremental compensation for Ms. Glickman in respect of the April 2019 RSUs. The June 2018 RSUs had (i) an intrinsic value of \$806,641 on the acceleration date and (ii) a grant date fair value of \$1,312,325 on the grant date (which amount is included in this table under 2018 and in the Summary Compensation Tables in prior year proxy statements). As a result, the table above does not include incremental compensation for Ms. Glickman in respect of the June 2018 RSUs.
- Effective March 11, 2020, Mr. Rogers terminated employment with the company without cause. As a result of his termination without cause, 4,968 RSUs from the award granted on February 3, 2020 were accelerated and became fully vested. The February 2020 RSUs had (i) an intrinsic value of \$288,790 on the acceleration date and (ii) a grant date fair value of \$448,064 on the grant date (which amount is included in this table under 2020). As a result, the table above does not include incremental compensation for Mr. Rogers in respect of the February 2020 RSUs.

Additional information relevant to the awards shown in the above table (including a discussion of the applicable performance criteria and the actual payouts under such awards) is included under the heading "Outstanding Equity Awards at Fiscal Year-End".

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

The following table sets forth the outstanding equity awards held by our NEOs as of December 31, 2020.

	Stock Awards				
Name	Number of Shares or Units of Stock That Have Not Vested (#)	Market Value of Shares or Units of Stock That Have Not Vested (\$)	Equity Incentive Plan Awards: Number of Unearned Shares Units or Other Rights That Have Not Vested (#)	Equity Incentive Plan Awards: Market or Payout Value of Unearned Shares, Units or Other Rights That Have Not Vested (\$) <sup>(1)</sup>	
Brad Jacobs	_	_	710,930(2)	\$84,742,856(2)	
Troy Cooper	_	_	299,260 <sup>(3)</sup>	\$35,671,792 <sup>(3)</sup>	
Mario Harik	_	_	134,332(4)	\$16,012,374 <sup>(4)</sup>	
David Wyshner	_	_	52,638 <sup>(5)</sup>	\$6,274,450(5)	
Sarah Glickman	_	_	19,262 <sup>(6)</sup>	\$2,296,030(6)	
Kurt Rogers	_	_	587 <sup>(7)</sup>	\$69,970(7)	

Note: Vesting of all outstanding equity awards is subject to continued employment by the NEO on the applicable vesting date, subject to certain exceptions in connection with a qualifying termination of employment.

- (1) The values reflected in this column were calculated using \$119.20, the closing price of a company share on the NYSE on December 31, 2020, the last trading day of our fiscal year 2020.
- (2) Consists of 238,095 PRSUs which vest on December 31, 2022, and 472,835 PRSUs which vest on December 31, 2024 subject to achievement of certain performance criteria. PRSUs are reflected at the target level, which is also the threshold and maximum level. Both goals must be attained for the award to be earned; there is no threshold level of payment for below-target performance and no upside leverage for exceeding the targets, generally reflecting the same features included in previously awarded performance-based equity grants.
  - a. The PRSUs noted as vesting on December 31, 2022 require achievement of both a high-growth performance and stock price goal, and cannot be earned until after the four-year performance period ending December 31, 2022. The goals underlying these PRSUs include: (i) achievement of an average stock price of \$225 over a 20-trading day period by December 31, 2022, and (ii) Adjusted Cash Flow Per Share (as defined in the relevant award agreements) of \$14.00 by December 31, 2022.
  - b. The PRSUs noted as vesting on December 31, 2024 require achievement of both a high-growth performance and TSR goal, and cannot be earned until after the six-year performance period ending December 31, 2024. The goals underlying these PRSUs include: (i) \$9.08 adjusted earnings per share (CAGR of 19%) by December 31, 2024, and (ii) exceed the S&P Transportation Select Industry Index TSR by at least 34% (CAGR of 500 basis points) by December 31, 2024. Both goals must be attained for the award to be earned.

- (3) Consists of 46,154 PRSUs which vest on December 31, 2022, and 253,106 PRSUs which vest on December 31, 2024 subject to achievement of certain performance criteria. PRSUs are reflected at the target level, which is also the threshold and maximum level. Both goals must be attained for the award to be earned; there is no threshold level of payment for below-target performance and no upside leverage for exceeding the targets, generally reflecting the same features included in previously awarded performance-based equity grants.
  - a. The PRSUs noted as vesting on December 31, 2022 require achievement of both a high-growth performance and stock price goal, and cannot be earned until after the four-year performance period ending December 31, 2022. The goals underlying these PRSUs include: (i) achievement of an average stock price of \$225 over a 20-trading day period by December 31, 2022, and (ii) Adjusted Cash Flow Per Share (as defined in the relevant award agreements) of \$14.00 by December 31, 2022.
  - b. The PRSUs noted as vesting on December 31, 2024 require achievement of both a high-growth performance and TSR goal, and cannot be earned until after the six-year performance period ending December 31, 2024. The goals underlying these PRSUs include: (i) \$9.08 adjusted earnings per share (CAGR of 19%) by December 31, 2024, and (ii) exceed the S&P Transportation Select Industry Index TSR by at least 34% (CAGR of 500 basis points) by December 31, 2024. Both goals must be attained for the award to be earned.
- (4) Consists of 23,077 PRSUs which vest on December 31, 2022, and 111,255 PRSUs which vest on December 31, 2024 subject to achievement of certain performance criteria. PRSUs are reflected at the target level, which is also the threshold and maximum level. Both goals must be attained for the award to be earned; there is no threshold level of payment for below-target performance and no upside leverage for exceeding the targets, generally reflecting the same features included in previously awarded performance-based equity grants.
  - a. The PRSUs noted as vesting on December 31, 2022 require achievement of both a high-growth performance and stock price goal, and cannot be earned until after the four-year performance period ending December 31, 2022. The goals underlying these PRSUs include: (i) achievement of an average stock price of \$225 over a 20-trading day period by December 31, 2022, and (ii) Adjusted Cash Flow Per Share (as defined in the relevant award agreements) of \$14.00 by December 31, 2022.
  - b. The PRSUs noted as vesting on December 31, 2024 require achievement of both a high-growth performance and TSR goal, and cannot be earned until after the six-year performance period ending December 31, 2024. The goals underlying these PRSUs include: (i) \$9.08 adjusted earnings per share (CAGR of 19%) by December 31, 2024, and (ii) exceed the S&P Transportation Select Industry Index TSR by at least 34% (CAGR of 500 basis points) by December 31, 2024. Both goals must be attained for the award to be earned.
- Consists of 26,319 RSUs which vest ratably on March 2, 2021, 2022 and 2023. Consists of 26,319 PRSUs which vest on December 31, 2024 subject to achievement of certain performance criteria. PRSUs are reflected at the target level, which is also the threshold and maximum level. Both goals must be attained for the award to be earned; there is no threshold level of payment for below-target performance and no upside leverage for exceeding the targets, generally reflecting the same features included in previously awarded performance-based equity grants.
  - a. The PRSUs noted as vesting on December 31, 2024 require achievement of both a high-growth performance and TSR goal, and cannot be earned until after the six-year performance period ending December 31, 2024. The goals underlying these PRSUs include: (i) \$9.08 adjusted earnings per share (CAGR of 19%) by December 31, 2024, and (ii) exceed the S&P Transportation Select Industry Index TSR by at least 34% (CAGR of 500 basis points) by December 31, 2024. Both goals must be attained for the award to be earned.
- (6) Consists of 13,311 PRSUs which remain eligible to vest on August 9, 2021, and 5,951 PRSUs which remain eligible to vest on December 31, 2024 subject to achievement of certain performance criteria. PRSUs are reflected at the target level, which is also the threshold and maximum level. There is no threshold level of payment for below target performance and no upside leverage for exceeding the targets.
  - a. The PRSUs noted as vesting on August 9, 2021 require achievement of a closing stock price of \$200 per share over a period of 20 consecutive trading days prior to August 2023.
  - b. The PRSUs noted as vesting on December 31, 2024 require achievement of both a high-growth performance and TSR goal, and cannot be earned until after the six-year performance period ending December 31, 2024. The goals underlying these PRSUs include: (i) \$9.08 adjusted earnings per share (CAGR of 19%) by December 31, 2024, and (ii) exceed the S&P Transportation Select Industry Index TSR by at least 34% (CAGR of 500 basis points) by December 31, 2024. Both goals must be attained for the award to be earned.
- (7) Consists of 587 PRSUs which remain eligible to vest on December 31, 2024 subject to achievement of certain performance criteria. PRSUs are reflected at the target level, which is also the threshold and maximum level. There is no threshold level of payment for below target performance and no upside leverage for exceeding the targets.
  - a. The PRSUs noted as vesting on December 31, 2024 require achievement of both a high-growth performance and TSR goal, and cannot be earned until after the six-year performance period ending December 31, 2024. The goals underlying these PRSUs include: (i) \$9.08 adjusted earnings per share (CAGR of 19%) by December 31, 2024, and (ii) exceed the S&P Transportation Select Industry Index TSR by at least 34% (CAGR of 500 basis points) by December 31, 2024. Both goals must be attained for the award to be earned.

# **Option Exercises and Stock Vested**

The following table sets forth the options exercised and stock vested for our NEOs during 2020.

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Name	Number of Shares Acquired on Exercise (#)	Value Realized on Exercise (\$)	Number of Shares Acquired on Vesting (#)	Value Realized on Vesting (\$) <sup>(1)</sup>		
Brad Jacobs	250,000	\$26,985,000	218,150	\$21,263,081		
Troy Cooper	25,000	\$2,644,000	49,084	\$4,784,217		
Mario Harik	135,000	\$14,503,050	35,450	\$3,455,312		
David Wyshner	_	_	_	_		
Sarah Glickman <sup>(2)</sup>	_	_	16,108	\$1,072,158		
Kurt Rogers(3)	_	_	5 544	\$318 414		

- (1) The values reflected in this column were calculated by multiplying the number of shares that vested in 2020 by the closing price of one share of XPO common stock on the NYSE on each applicable vesting or settlement date. In the case of the cash-settled PRSUs, for each of Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Cooper and Mr. Harik, which settled on February 19, 2020, the closing price of one share of XPO common stock on the NYSE was \$97.47.
- (2) Effective April 13, 2020, Ms. Glickman terminated employment with the company without cause. As a result of her termination without cause, Ms. Glickman received 1,900 RSUs of the award granted on April 18, 2019 and 14,208 RSUs of the award granted on June 8, 2018.
- (3) Effective March 11, 2020, Mr. Rogers terminated employment with the company without cause. As a result of his termination without cause, Mr. Rogers received 5,544 RSUs, reflecting a pro-rated portion of the award granted on February 3, 2020.

Stock Awards

# Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change of Control

The following table sets forth the amounts of compensation that would be due to Messrs. Jacobs, Cooper, Harik and Wyshner pursuant to their respective employment agreements, as applicable, upon the termination events as summarized below, as if each such event had occurred on December 31, 2020. The amounts shown below are estimates of the payments that each NEO would receive in certain instances. The actual amounts payable will only be determined upon the actual occurrence of any such event. For Ms. Glickman and Mr. Rogers, the following table sets forth the amounts of compensation that were due in connection with their actual terminations of employment.

	Brad Jacobs	Troy Cooper	Mario Harik	David Wyshner	Sarah Glickman <sup>(1)</sup>	Kurt Rogers(2)
Termination without Cause:						
Cash severance <sup>(3)(4)(5)</sup>	\$1,000,000	\$650,000	\$500,000	\$635,000	\$300,769	\$164,038
Acceleration of equity-based awards(6)	\$32,996,110	\$12,814,000	\$5,798,842	\$2,235,954	\$1,075,547 <sup>(7)</sup>	\$318,414
Outstanding performance-based equity awards(8)	_	_	_	_	\$2,296,030	\$69,970
Acceleration of 2020 LTI <sup>(9)</sup>	\$10,000,000	\$3,350,000	\$2,250,000	_	_	_
Continuation of medical / dental benefits <sup>(10)</sup>	\$7,932	\$7,932	\$11,076	\$9,786	\$10,434	_
Total	\$44,004,042	\$16,821,932	\$8,559,918	\$2,880,740	\$3,682,781	\$552,422
Voluntary Termination with Good Reason:						
Cash severance <sup>(3)(5)</sup>	_	_	_	_	_	_
Acceleration of equity-based award	_	_	_	_	_	_
Acceleration of 2020 LTI	_	_	_	_	_	_
Continuation of medical / dental benefits	_	_	_	_	_	_
Total	_	_	_	_	_	_
Termination for Cause or Voluntary Termination						
without Good Reason:						
Cash severance <sup>(3)(5)</sup>	_	_	_	_	_	
Acceleration of equity-based awards	_	_	_	_	_	_
Acceleration of 2020 LTI	_	_	_	_	_	_
Continuation of medical / dental benefits	_	_	_	_	_	_
Total	_	_	_	_	_	_
Disability:						
Cash severance <sup>(3)(5)</sup>	_	_	_	_	_	_
Acceleration of equity-based award	_	_	_	_	_	_
Acceleration of 2020 LTI	_	_	_	_	_	_
Continuation of medical / dental benefits	_	_	_	_	_	_
Total	_	_	_	_	_	_
Death:						
Cash severance <sup>(3)</sup>		<del></del>	<del>-</del>	_	_	<del></del>
Acceleration of equity-based awards <sup>(6)</sup>	\$84,742,856	\$35,671,792	\$16,012,374	_	_	<del></del>
Acceleration of 2020 LTI <sup>(9)</sup>	\$40,000,000	\$13,400,000	\$9,000,000	_	_	<del>-</del>
Continuation of medical / dental benefits	_			_	_	_
Total	\$124,742,856	\$49,071,792	\$25,012,374	_	_	_
Change of Control and No Termination:						
Cash severance <sup>(3)</sup>				_	_	_
Acceleration of equity-based awards <sup>(6)</sup>	\$84,742,856	\$35,671,792	\$16,012,374	_	_	_
Acceleration of 2020 LTI <sup>(9)</sup>	\$40,000,000	\$13,400,000	\$9,000,000	_	_	_
Continuation of medical / dental benefits	_			_	_	_
Total	\$124,742,856	\$49,071,792	\$25,012,374	_	_	_
Change of Control and Termination without Cause or for Good Reason:						
Cash severance <sup>(3)</sup>	\$8,970,000	\$3,900,000	\$2,250,000	\$3,175,000	_	_
Acceleration of equity-based awards(6)	\$84,742,856	\$35,671,792	\$16,012,374	\$6,274,450	_	_
Acceleration of 2020 LTI <sup>(9)</sup>	\$40,000,000	\$13,400,000	\$9,000,000		_	_
Continuation of medical / dental benefits <sup>(10)</sup>	\$31,728	\$31,728	\$44,304	\$39,144	_	_
Total	\$133,744,584	\$53,003,520	\$27,306,678	\$9,488,594	_	_

<sup>(1)</sup> Effective April 13, 2020, Ms. Glickman terminated employment with the company without cause. The values reflected in this column are the actual payments made in connection with her separation. The value reflected for the acceleration of equity-based awards is calculated using \$58.13, the closing price of a company share on the NYSE on April 15, 2020, and \$68.40, the closing price of a company share on the NYSE on May 11, 2020, the respective dates of settlement.

<sup>(2)</sup> Effective March 11, 2020, Mr. Rogers terminated employment with the company without cause. The values reflected in this column are the actual payments made in connection with his separation. The value reflected for the acceleration of equity-based awards is calculated using \$51.43, the closing price of a company share on the NYSE on March 31, 2020, and \$58.13, the closing price of a company share on the NYSE on April 15, 2020, the respective dates of settlement.

<sup>(3)</sup> Amounts shown do not include any payments for accrued and unpaid salary, bonuses or vacation.

<sup>(4)</sup> In the event of a termination by our company without Cause, cash severance payable to each of Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Harik and Mr. Wyshner may be reduced, dollar for dollar, by other income earned by such NEO in accordance with the terms of their employment agreement. The calculations of severance pay in the above table for Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Harik and Mr. Wyshner use the NEO's base salary effective as of December 31, 2020.

<sup>(5)</sup> In the event of a termination for any reason, our company has the right to extend the period during which each of our NEOs is bound by the non-competition covenant in their employment agreement for up to 12 additional months, which would extend the non-compete period from three years to four years following termination for Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Cooper and Mr. Harik and from two years to three years following termination for Mr. Wyshner, Ms. Glickman and Mr. Rogers. During

the period the non-compete is extended, the NEO would be entitled to receive cash compensation equal to his or her monthly base salary as in effect on the date employment is terminated, reduced dollar for dollar by any other income earned at the time by the NEO. Fully extending the non-compete provision would increase the amounts shown as "Cash Severance" by up to \$1,000,000 for Mr. Jacobs, \$650,000 for Mr. Cooper, \$500,000 for Mr. Harik, \$635,000 for Mr. Wyshner, \$425,000 for Ms. Glickman and \$550,000 for Mr. Rogers.

- (6) The values reflected in this column were calculated using \$119.20, the closing price of a company share on the NYSE on December 31, 2020, the last trading day of our fiscal year 2020. The amounts shown for PRSUs have been estimated assuming that the applicable performance goals are met at target levels. Although the PRSUs would no longer be subject to a continued service requirement upon the occurrence of a termination by our company without Cause, payment of such award would remain subject to the actual achievement of the applicable performance goals. As of December 31, 2020, none of the NEOs had any unvested stock options.
- (7) Includes \$3,389 of incremental compensation for Ms. Glickman that was earned in connection with the acceleration of her April 2019 RSUs. For additional information related to the incremental compensation see footnote 9 of the Summary Compensation Table.
- (8) Amount shown for Ms. Glickman consists of 13,311 PRSUs which remain eligible to vest on August 9, 2021, and 5,951 PRSUs which remain eligible to vest on December 31, 2024 subject to achievement of certain performance criteria (for further details related to the performance criteria see footnote 6 in the Outstanding Equity Awards Table at Fiscal Year-end table). Amount shown for Mr. Rogers consists of 587 PRSUs which remain eligible to vest on December 31, 2024 subject to achievement of certain performance criteria (for further details related to the performance conditions see footnote 7 in the Outstanding Equity Awards Table at Fiscal Year-end table). The amounts shown for Ms. Glickman and Mr. Rogers assume that all performance criteria are actually met or are deemed met pursuant to the terms of the PRSUs.
- (9) The amounts shown for 2020 LTI have been estimated assuming that the applicable performance goals are met at target levels. Although the 2020 LTI would no longer be subject to a continued service requirement upon the occurrence of a termination by our company without Cause, payment of such award would remain subject to the actual achievement of the applicable performance goals.
- (10) The amounts of continued medical and dental benefits shown in the table (i) have been calculated based upon our current actual costs of providing the benefits through COBRA and (ii) have not been discounted for the time value of money. In the event of a termination without Cause, continued medical and dental benefits would cease when the NEO commences employment with a new employer.

As of December 31, 2020, each of Mr. Jacobs', Mr. Cooper's, Mr. Harik's and Mr. Wyshner's employment agreement, which is described in detail in this Proxy Statement under the heading "Employment Agreements with NEOs," generally provided that, in the event of a termination without Cause (as defined below) either prior to a Change of Control (as defined below) or more than two years following a Change of Control, cash severance payments and continued benefits would be made ratably over the six month period following the executive's termination (subject to any delays required pursuant to Section 409A of the Code). The employment agreements generally did not provide for payments other than accrued benefits if employment is terminated due to death or disability. Generally, in the event of a termination upon or within two years following a Change of Control, cash severance payments would be made in one lump sum (subject to any delays required pursuant to Section 409A of the Code). The severance payments set forth in the table are generally subject to and conditioned upon the NEO signing and not revoking a waiver and release and continued compliance with certain restrictive covenants.

For more information regarding the payments and benefits to which our NEOs are entitled upon certain termination events or upon a Change of Control, see the discussion in this Proxy Statement under the heading "Employment Agreements with NEOs."

# **CEO PAY RATIO DISCLOSURE**

As required by Item 402(u) of the SEC's Regulation S K, we are providing the following information about the relationship of the annual total compensation of our CEO to that of our median employee. The pay ratio and annual total compensation amount disclosed in this section are reasonable estimates that have been calculated using methodologies and assumptions permitted by SEC rules.

# Identifying the Median Employee

Although there was no change to XPO's employee population or compensation arrangements that the company believes would significantly impact the pay ratio disclosure, we reidentified our median employee due to a change in our 2019 median employee's circumstances in 2020. Our 2019 median employee received a salary increase as a result of his promotion to supervisor which the company believes would result in a significant change to the pay ratio disclosure. As permitted under the SEC executive compensation disclosure rules, we elected to identify a new median employee using our December 31, 2019 analysis used to identify our 2019 median employee. For the 2020 median employee, we chose an adjacent employee whose compensation is substantially similar to the 2019 median employee based on the compensation measures used to select the 2019 median employee as follows:

- Our original analysis selected December 31, 2019 as the date on which to determine our 2019 median employee, which we continued to utilize for the selection of our 2020 median employee.
- As of December 31, 2019, we had 96,985 employees globally, including 44,750 US employees and 52,235 non-US employees. In determining the identity of our median employee, we excluded 911 employees from: China (431), Hong Kong (23), Ireland (174), and Singapore (283). After excluding the countries and employees described above, we determined the identity of our median employee from a population of 96,074 employees (44,750 US employees and 51,324 non-US-employees); this employee group included full-time, part-time and seasonal employees.

■ The median employee was identified by calculating the 2019 cash compensation for the population of 96,074 employees excluding the CEO. For this purpose, cash compensation included all earnings paid to each employee during the calendar year, including base salary and wages, bonuses, commissions, overtime and holiday or PTO pay. Compensation was converted into US dollars using currency conversion rates as of December 31, 2019.

# Annual Compensation of Median Employee using Summary Compensation Table Methodology

After identifying the median employee as described above, we calculated annual total compensation for this employee using the same methodology we use for our CEO in the 2020 Summary Compensation Table. This compensation calculation includes, where applicable, base salary and wages, bonuses, commissions, overtime, holiday or PTO pay, equity awards, 401(k) company match and company-paid life insurance premiums, as applicable. The compensation for our median employee was \$34,663 and the compensation for our company's CEO was \$21,812,660.

# 2020 Pay Ratio

Based on the above information, the ratio of the annual total compensation of our CEO to the median employee is 629:1. The pay ratio reported by other companies may not be comparable to the pay ratio reported above, due to variances in business mix, proportion of seasonal and part-time employees and distribution of employees across geographies. In comparison to peer firms, XPO has a unique business mix with approximately 60% of our employee population working in our supply chain business; in addition, XPO operates globally with approximately 55% of our population located outside of the United States. We seek to attract, incentivize and retain our employees through a combination of competitive base pay, bonus opportunities, 401(k) contributions, the opportunity to participate in our employee stock purchase plan and other benefits.

# **EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENTS WITH NEOS**

# EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENTS WITH MESSRS. JACOBS, COOPER, HARIK, AND WYSHNER

Effective as of July 31, 2020, we entered into employment agreements with Messrs. Jacobs, Cooper and Harik that replace the 2016 employment agreements between XPO and each such NEO, which expired by their terms on February 9, 2020. On March 2, 2020, we entered into an employment agreement with Mr. Wyshner. The employment agreements with Messrs. Jacobs, Cooper, Harik and Wyshner are referred to in this section as the "NEO Employment Agreements".

#### **Term**

The NEO Employment Agreements with Messrs. Jacobs, Cooper and Harik each provide for a four-year term commencing on July 31, 2020. The NEO Employment Agreement with Mr. Wyshner provides for a three-year term commencing on March 2, 2020.

#### Severance Payments and Benefits

The severance payments pursuant to the NEO Employment Agreements are generally subject to and conditioned upon the applicable NEO signing and not revoking a waiver and general release and also complying with the restrictive covenants contained in his NEO Employment Agreement.

In the event that we terminate the applicable NEO's employment without cause (as defined in the applicable 2020 NEO Employment Agreement), either prior to a change of control (as defined in the company's 2016 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan) or more than two years following a change of control, such NEO will be entitled to the following severance payments and benefits:

- Twelve months' base salary, at the level in effect on the date of termination, which will be paid in equal installments over the six months following the date of termination (subject to any delay required by Section 409A of the Code), and which generally will be reduced, dollar-for-dollar, by other earned income; and
- Medical and dental coverage for a period of up to six months from the date of termination.

The NEO Employment Agreements do not provide for accelerated vesting of equity, equity-based or other long term incentive compensation awards other than as set forth in the applicable award agreements.

In the event that, upon or within two years following a change of control, the applicable NEO's employment is terminated by our company without cause or such NEO resigns for good reason (as defined in the applicable NEO Employment Agreement), he will receive the following severance payments and benefits:

- A lump-sum cash payment equal to two (or 2.99, in the case of the Mr. Jacobs) times the sum of his annual base salary and target annual bonus, in each case at the level in effect on the date of termination (subject to any delay required by Section 409A of the Code);
- A prorated target bonus for the year of termination; and

Medical and dental coverage for a period of 24 months from the date of termination.

In the event that any amounts payable to the applicable NEO in connection with a change of control constitute "parachute payments" within the meaning of Section 280G of the Code, then any such amounts will be reduced to avoid triggering the excise tax imposed by Section 4999 of the Code, if such reduction would be more favorable to the NEO on a net after-tax basis. No NEO is entitled to a gross-up payment for excise taxes imposed by Section 4999 of the Code on "excess parachute payments," as defined in Section 280G of the Code.

#### Clawbacks

Under the NEO Employment Agreements, the applicable NEO is subject to certain long-term incentive compensation forfeiture and clawback provisions in the event of: (1) a breach of the restrictive covenants, (2) termination of his employment by our company for cause, or (3) his engagement in fraud or willful misconduct that contributes materially to any financial restatement or material loss to our company or its affiliates.

Furthermore, under the NEO Employment Agreements, the applicable NEO is subject to certain annual bonus forfeiture and clawback provisions in the event that the applicable NEO engages in fraud or other willful misconduct that contributes materially to any financial restatement or material loss to our company.

In addition, in the event that the applicable NEO breaches any restrictive covenant, such NEO will be required, upon written notice from us, to forfeit or repay to our company his severance payments.

In certain circumstances, the triggering event must have occurred within a certain period in order for us to be able to cause the forfeiture or clawback the equity-based awards, annual bonus or severance payments.

Each NEO shall also be subject to any other clawback or recoupment policy of the company as may be in effect from time to time or any clawback or recoupment as may be required by applicable law.

#### **Restrictive Covenants**

Under the NEO Employment Agreements, the applicable NEO is generally subject to the following restrictive covenants: employee and customer non-solicitation during employment and for a period of two years thereafter (in the case of Messrs. Jacobs, Cooper and Harik) or three years thereafter (in the case of Mr. Wyshner); confidentiality and non-disparagement during employment and thereafter; and non-competition during employment and for a period of three years thereafter (in the case of Messrs. Jacobs, Cooper and Harik) or two years thereafter (in the case of Mr. Wyshner). In addition, we have the option to extend the non-competition period for up to an additional year following a termination for any reason, provided that we continue to pay the applicable NEO's base salary as in effect on the date of termination during the extended non-competition period.

# **EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT WITH MS. GLICKMAN**

Ms. Glickman and the company entered into an employment agreement effective June 5, 2019 with terms and conditions substantially similar to those described above for Mr. Wyshner, except that Ms. Glickman's employment agreement provided for a severance payment of six months' base salary upon termination of employment without cause (other than during the two years following a change of control). In connection with her termination of employment with the company on April 13, 2020, Ms. Glickman received cash severance equal to 12 months' base salary (consistent with the level of severance payment provided for in the NEO Employment Agreements), the medical and dental benefit continuation provided for her in her employment agreement, and certain equity award vesting. For further details related to the equity award vesting see footnote 9 in the Summary Compensation Table.

# **EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT WITH MR. ROGERS**

Mr. Rogers and the company entered into an employment agreement in February 2020, which was subsequently amended in April 2020. The amended agreement includes terms and conditions substantially similar to those described above for Mr. Wyshner, except that Mr. Rogers's amended agreement provided for a severance payment of nine months' base salary upon termination of employment without cause and employee and customer nonsolicitation provisions that apply during employment and for two years thereafter. In connection with his termination of employment with the company on March 11, 2020, Mr. Rogers received the severance payments and benefits due under his amended employment agreement upon a termination of employment without cause, and certain equity award vesting. For further details related to the equity award vesting see footnote 10 in the Summary Compensation Table.

# **EQUITY COMPENSATION PLAN INFORMATION**

The following table gives information as of December 31, 2020, with respect to the company's compensation plans under which equity securities are authorized for issuance.

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 <sup>(1)</sup> (b)	Number of Securities Remaining Available for Future Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans (Excluding Securities Reflected in Column (a)) (c)
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders	3,515,128 <sup>(2)</sup>	\$21.01	3,558,921 <sup>(3)</sup>
Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders	_	_	_
Total	3,515,128	\$21.01	3,558,921

<sup>(1)</sup> The weighted average exercise price is based solely on the outstanding options.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes 42,755 stock options outstanding under the XPO Logistics, Inc. Amended and Restated 2011 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan. Also includes an aggregate of 3,381,599 RSUs and PRSUs granted under the XPO Logistics, Inc. 2016 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan and 90,774 RSUs granted under the XPO Logistics, Inc. Amended and Restated 2011 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan.

<sup>(3)</sup> Includes 1,782,110 securities available for issuance under the XPO Logistics, Inc. 2016 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan and 1,776,811 securities available for issuance under the XPO Logistics, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

# AUDIT-RELATED MATTERS

### **AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT**

The following statement made by our Audit Committee does not constitute soliciting material and should not be deemed filed or incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, except to the extent that we specifically incorporate such statement by reference.

The Audit Committee ("we" in this Audit Committee Report) currently consists of Mr. Shaffer (chairman), Ms. Ashe, Mr. Jesselson and Dr. Papastavrou.

The Board of Directors has determined that each current member of the Audit Committee has the requisite independence and other qualifications for audit committee membership under SEC rules, the listing standards of NYSE, our Audit Committee charter, and the independence standards set forth in the XPO Logistics, Inc. Corporate Governance Guidelines. The Board of Directors has also determined that Mr. Shaffer and Dr. Papastavrou each qualify as an "audit committee financial expert" as defined under Item 407(d)(5) of Regulation S-K of the Exchange Act. As described more fully below, in carrying out its responsibilities, the Audit Committee relies on management and XPO's independent registered public accounting firm (the "outside auditors"). The Audit Committee members are not professionally engaged in the practice of accounting or auditing. The Audit Committee operates under a written charter that is reviewed annually and is available at www.xpo.com.

In accordance with our charter, the Audit Committee assists the Board of Directors in fulfilling its responsibilities in a number of areas. These responsibilities include, among others, oversight of: (i) XPO's accounting and financial reporting processes, including the company's systems of internal controls over financial reporting and disclosure controls, (ii) the integrity of XPO's financial statements, (iii) XPO's compliance with legal and regulatory requirements, (iv) the qualifications and independence of XPO's outside auditors, and (v) the performance of XPO's outside auditors and internal audit function. Management is responsible for XPO's financial statements and the financial reporting process, including the system of internal controls over financial reporting. We are solely responsible for selecting and reviewing the performance of XPO's outside auditors and, if we deem appropriate in our sole discretion, terminating and replacing the outside auditors. We also are responsible for reviewing and approving the terms of the annual engagement of XPO's outside auditors, including the scope of audit and non-audit services to be provided by the outside auditors and the fees to be paid for such services, and discussing with the outside auditors any relationships or services that may impact the objectivity and independence of the outside auditors.

In fulfilling our oversight role, we met and held discussions, both together and separately, with the company's management and our outside auditor KPMG. Management advised us that the company's consolidated financial statements were prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and we reviewed and discussed the consolidated financial statements and key accounting and reporting issues with management and KPMG, both together and separately, in advance of the public release of operating results and filing of annual and quarterly reports with the SEC. We discussed with KPMG the matters required to be discussed by the applicable requirements of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board Auditing ("PCAOB") and the Commission, and reviewed a letter from KPMG disclosing such matters.

KPMG also provided us with the written disclosures and letter required by applicable requirements of the PCAOB regarding the outside auditors' communications with the Audit Committee concerning independence, and we discussed with KPMG matters relating to their independence and considered whether their provision of certain non-audit services is compatible with maintaining their independence. KPMG has confirmed its independence, and we determined that KPMG's provision of non-audit services to XPO is compatible with maintaining its independence. We also reviewed a report by KPMG describing the firm's internal quality-control procedures and any material issues raised in the most recent internal quality-control review or external peer review or inspection performed by the PCAOB.

Based on our review of XPO's audited consolidated financial statements with management and KPMG, and KPMG's report on such financial statements, and based on the discussions and written disclosures described above, and our business judgment, we recommended to the Board of Directors, and the Board approved, that the audited consolidated financial statements be included in XPO's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2020, for filing with the SEC.

# **AUDIT COMMITTEE:**

Oren Shaffer (chairman) Gena Ashe Michael Jesselson Jason Papastavrou

#### POLICY REGARDING PRE-APPROVAL OF SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE OUTSIDE AUDITORS

The Audit Committee's charter requires review and pre-approval by the Audit Committee of all audit services provided by our outside auditors and, subject to the *de minimis* exception under applicable SEC rules, all permissible non-audit services provided by our outside auditors. The Audit Committee has delegated to its chairman the authority to approve, within guidelines and limits established by the Audit Committee, specific services to be provided by our outside auditors and the fees to be paid. Any such approval must be reported to the Audit Committee at the next scheduled meeting. As required by Section 10A of the Exchange Act, the Audit Committee pre-approved all audit and non-audit services provided by our outside auditors during 2020 and 2019, and the fees paid for such services.

#### SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE OUTSIDE AUDITORS

As described above, the Audit Committee is responsible for the appointment, compensation, oversight, evaluation and termination of our outside auditors. Accordingly, the Audit Committee retained KPMG to serve as our independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal year 2021 on April 8, 2021.

The following table shows the fees for audit and other services provided by KPMG for fiscal years 2020 and 2019.

Fee Category	2020	2019
Audit Fees	\$5,849,335	\$5,315,000
Audit-Related Fees	8,664,528	753,500
Tax Fees	_	265,322
All Other Fees	_	_
Total Fees	\$14,513,863	\$6,333,822

**Audit Fees.** This category includes fees for professional services rendered by KPMG for 2020 and 2019, for the audits of our financial statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K, and reviews of the financial statements included in our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q.

**Audit-Related Fees.** The 2019 fees include comfort letters, accounting consultation related to new accounting standards, and other audit related services. The 2020 fees include transaction-related carve-out audit and other work, comfort letters and other audit related services.

Tax Fees. This category includes fees billed for professional services rendered by KPMG in connection with tax consultation and tax compliance services in 2019.

**All Other Fees.** This category represents fees for all other services or products provided and not covered by the categories above. There were no such fees for 2020 and 2019.

# PROPOSALS TO BE PRESENTED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING......

# **Proposal 1: Election of Directors**

Our Board of Directors has nominated for election at the Annual Meeting each of the following persons to serve until the 2022 Annual Meeting of Stockholders or until their successors are duly elected and qualified:

Brad Jacobs Gena Ashe Marlene Colucci AnnaMaria DeSalva Michael Jesselson Adrian Kingshott Jason Papastavrou Oren Shaffer

All of the nominees for director listed above were elected by our stockholders at our 2020 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. Information about the nominees is set forth above under the heading "Board of Directors and Corporate Governance—Directors."

In the event that any of these nominees is unable or declines to serve as a director at the time of the 2021 Annual Meeting, the proxies voting for his or her election will be voted for any nominee who shall be designated by the Board of Directors to fill the vacancy. As of the date of this Proxy Statement, we are not aware that any of the nominees is unable or will decline to serve as a director if elected.

#### **REQUIRED VOTE**

The election of each of the eight (8) director nominees named in this Proxy Statement requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast (meaning the number of shares voted "for" a nominee must exceed the number of shares voted "against" such nominee) by holders of shares of our common stock (including those shares that would be issued if all of our outstanding Series A Preferred Stock had converted into shares of our common stock as of the Record Date). If any incumbent director standing for election receives a greater number of votes "against" his or her election than votes "for" his or her election, our bylaws require that such person must promptly tender his or her resignation to the Board of Directors, subject to acceptance by the Board of Directors.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Our Board of Directors recommends a vote "FOR" the election of each of the nominees listed above to our Board of Directors.

# Proposal 2: Ratification of the Appointment of KPMG LLP as our Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for Fiscal Year 2021

The Audit Committee of our Board of Directors has appointed KPMG LLP ("KPMG") to serve as our independent registered public accounting firm for the year ending December 31, 2021. KPMG has served in this capacity since 2011.

We are asking our stockholders to ratify the appointment of KPMG as our independent registered public accounting firm for the year ending December 31, 2021. Although ratification is not required by our bylaws or otherwise, our Board of Directors is submitting the appointment of KPMG to our stockholders for ratification as a matter of good corporate governance. If our stockholders fail to ratify the appointment of KPMG, the Audit Committee will consider whether it is appropriate and advisable to appoint a different independent registered public accounting firm. Even if our stockholders ratify the appointment of KPMG, the Audit Committee in its discretion may appoint a different registered public accounting firm at any time if it determines that such a change would be in the best interests of our company and our stockholders.

Representatives of KPMG are expected to be present at the annual meeting and will have an opportunity to make a statement and to respond to appropriate questions.

#### **REQUIRED VOTE**

Ratification of the appointment of KPMG as our independent registered public accounting firm for the year ending December 31, 2021 requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast (meaning the number of shares voted "for" such proposal must exceed the number of shares voted "against" such proposal) by holders of shares of our common stock (including those shares that would be issued if all our outstanding Series A Preferred Stock had converted into shares of our common stock as of the Record Date) at the annual meeting at which a quorum is present.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Our Board of Directors recommends a vote "FOR" the ratification of the appointment of KPMG as our independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal year 2021.

# **Proposal 3: Advisory Vote to Approve Executive Compensation**

The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, enacted in July 2010, and Section 14A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, require that we provide our stockholders with the opportunity to vote to approve, on a non-binding advisory basis, the compensation of our NEOs as disclosed in this Proxy Statement in accordance with the compensation disclosure rules of the SEC. Accordingly, we are asking our stockholders to approve the following advisory resolution:

"RESOLVED, that the stockholders of XPO Logistics, Inc. (the "company") hereby approve, on an advisory basis, the compensation of the company's named executive officers, as disclosed pursuant to Item 402 of Regulation S-K, including the Compensation Discussion and Analysis, compensation tables and narrative discussion set forth in the Proxy Statement for the company's 2021 Annual Meeting of Stockholders."

We encourage stockholders to review the Compensation Discussion and Analysis, the compensation tables and the related narrative disclosures included in this Proxy Statement. As described in detail under the heading "Executive Compensation—Compensation Discussion and Analysis," we believe that our compensation programs appropriately reward executive performance and align the interests of our NEOs and key employees with the long-term interests of our stockholders, while also enabling us to attract and retain talented executives.

This resolution, commonly referred to as a "say-on-pay" resolution, is not binding on our Board of Directors. Although non-binding, our Board of Directors and the Compensation Committee will consider the voting results when making future decisions regarding our executive compensation program.

At the 2018 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, our stockholders voted to approve an annual holding of the advisory vote on executive compensation. This frequency will continue until the next required non-binding, advisory vote is held on the frequency of advisory votes on executive compensation in 2024, as per the SEC rules.

### REQUIRED VOTE

Approval of this advisory resolution, commonly referred to as a "say-on-pay" resolution, requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast (meaning the number of shares voted "for" such proposal must exceed the number of shares voted "against" such proposal) by holders of shares of our common stock (including those shares that would be issued if all our outstanding Series A Preferred Stock had converted into shares of our common stock as of the Record Date) at the annual meeting at which a quorum is present.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Our Board of Directors recommends a vote "FOR" approval of the advisory resolution to approve executive compensation set forth above.

# Proposal 4: Stockholder Proposal Regarding Additional Disclosure of the Company's Political Activities

We have been notified that the Service Employees International Union Pension Plans Master Trust, 1800 Massachusetts Ave NW, Suite 301, Washington, D.C. 20036, expects to introduce and support the following proposal at the 2021 Annual Meeting. This stockholder proponent has provided certification indicating that, as of December 16, 2020, it was the beneficial owner of 2,915 shares of the company's common stock, with an approximate value of \$360,260, and that it intends to maintain such ownership through the date of the Annual Meeting. We are not responsible for the content of the stockholder proposal and the stockholder proponent's supporting statement, which are set forth below as they were submitted to us.

#### **PROPOSAL**

**WHEREAS**, we believe full disclosure of XPO's direct and indirect lobbying activities and expenditures is required to assess whether XPO's lobbying is consistent with its expressed goals and in stockholder interests.

**RESOLVED:** The stockholders of XPO request the preparation of a report, updated annually, disclosing:

- 1. Company policy and procedures governing lobbying, both direct and indirect, and grassroots lobbying communications.
- 2. Payments by XPO used for (a) direct or indirect lobbying or (b) grassroots lobbying communications, in each case including the amount of the payment and the recipient.
- 3. XPO's membership in and payments to any tax-exempt organization that writes and endorses model legislation.
- 4. Description of management's and the Board's decision-making process and oversight for making payments described in section 2 and 3 above.

For purposes of this proposal, a "grassroots lobbying communication" is a communication directed to the general public that (a) refers to specific legislation or regulation, (b) reflects a view on the legislation or regulation and (c) encourages the recipient of the communication to take action with respect to the legislation or regulation. "Indirect lobbying" is lobbying engaged in by a trade association or other organization of which XPO is a member.

Both "direct and indirect lobbying" and "grassroots lobbying communications" include efforts at the local, state and federal levels.

The report shall be presented to the Audit Committee and posted on XPO's website.

#### **SUPPORTING STATEMENT:**

XPO spent \$360,000 on federal lobbying in 2019. This does not include state lobbying, where XPO also lobbies but disclosure is uneven or absent. The need for transparency has been heightened by scrutiny of former XPO CEO Louis DeJoy's role as Postmaster General.<sup>1</sup>

XPO belongs to the Business Roundtable (BRT), which spent \$43,150,000 on federal lobbying for 2018 and 2019, and also the Road Haulage Association (RHA) in the United Kingdom. XPO does not disclose its memberships in, or payments to, trade associations and social welfare organizations, or the amounts used for lobbying, including grassroots. Grassroots lobbying does not get reported at the federal level under the Lobbying Disclosure Act, and disclosure is uneven or absent in states.

We are concerned XPO's payments to third party groups may be used for undisclosed grassroots lobbying. For example, XPO belongs to the American Legislative Exchange Council, which supports ending government regulation over private contracting.<sup>2</sup>

We believe XPO's lack of disclosure presents reputational risks when its lobbying contradicts company public positions. For example, CEO Jacobs signed the BRT's Statement on the Purpose of a Corporation, committing to invest in its employees with fair wages and important benefits, yet XPO has been accused of a business model "based on exploitation, illegal underpayments, and a callous approach to safety" for workers.<sup>3</sup>

And, XPO is committed to environmental sustainability, yet the RHA has reportedly lobbied to undermine clean air goals in the UK.4

We believe the reputational damage stemming from these misalignments harms long-term value creation, and we urge XPO to expand its lobbying disclosure.

- <sup>1</sup> https://www.nytimes.com/article/general-louis-dejoy-postmaster.html
- $^2 \qquad \text{https://www.exposedbycmd.org/2020/12/03/alec-holds-virtual-states-and-national-policy-summit/.} \\$
- <sup>3</sup> https://www.jacobinmag.com/2020/10/xpo-logistics-worker-report-delivering-injustice.
- 4 https://www.desmog.co.uk/2020/10/05/revealed-lobby-groups-backed-big-brands-fighting-against-air-pollution.

#### STATEMENT IN OPPOSITION BY OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### The XPO Board of Directors Unanimously Recommends a Vote Against Stockholder Proposal No. 4

The Board of Directors recommends a vote AGAINST this proposal for the reasons outlined below. XPO regularly reviews its disclosures relating to political activity and lobbying expenditures and believes these disclosures are appropriate and adequate. The additional detailed disclosures contemplated by this proposal represent an unnecessary expenditure of resources and would, in the opinion of the Board, not provide a corresponding benefit to stockholders. The company notes that contrary to the assertions in the supporting statement, Louis DeJoy never served as CEO of XPO and our CEO Jacobs did not sign the BRT's Statement on the Purpose of a Corporation.

#### XPO's Participation in the Public Policy Making Process is Limited

XPO is fully committed to providing transparency to stockholders on matters material to the company. XPO does not participate in direct political activities and its very minimal government affairs activities are limited to supporting initiatives that are relevant to the company's business almost exclusively through participation in relevant trade associations. The company does not have a political action committee and does not make corporate contributions to groups organized under section 501(c)(4) or section 527 of the Internal Revenue Code.

XPO does participate, on a limited basis, in organizations that represent the industries of which we are a part, as well as organizations that represent broader interests that are relevant to our business where we believe it is beneficial to stockholders. Our participation is oriented toward the ways in which such organizations can help promote and protect long-term stockholder value, and the company regularly evaluates the effectiveness of these organizations toward that goal. These organizations provide important insight into industry concerns and policy issues critical to our industry, our company, our customers and our communities. These organizations may also represent other interests not relevant to XPO, and the organizations and other members may take positions with which XPO, or individual stockholders, do not agree. Our participation in these organizations is evaluated appropriately with these considerations in mind..

#### XPO Maintains a Rigorous Oversight Process of Advocacy Efforts

XPO's advocacy efforts are managed by our vice president, corporate affairs, who reviews relevant legislative and regulatory initiatives with members of senior management. At least annually, XPO conducts a review of any trade association participation. Any material or significant issues that arise from these reviews are shared with the Board of Directors, which oversees lobbying expenditures as part of its oversight role of risks associated with the company's broader stakeholder engagement efforts.

#### **XPO Complies with Reporting Requirements**

XPO is subject to extensive federal, state and local lobbying registration and public disclosure requirements, with which the company fully complies. XPO's service partners file required federal Lobbying Disclosure Act reports with Congress, and these reports are publicly available at http://disclosures.house.gov. These reports provide XPO's total federal lobbying expenditures, the issue that is the topic of the stockholder proposal, disclosure of XPO individuals who act as lobbyists on behalf of the company and identification of the legislative body or executive branch agency that was contacted.

The Board believes that the company currently provides stockholders with adequate transparency and visibility into the company's political activities, and the Board does not believe that additional detailed disclosures would be beneficial to stockholders.

For these reasons, the Board of Directors unanimously urges stockholders to vote AGAINST Proposal No. 4.

#### **REQUIRED VOTE**

Approval of a requirement that the company issue an annual report disclosing the company's political activities and related expenditures requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast (meaning the number of shares voted "for" such proposal must exceed the number of shares voted "against" such proposal) by holders of shares of our common stock (including those shares that would be issued if all our outstanding Series A Preferred Stock had converted into shares of our common stock as of the Record Date) at the Annual Meeting at which a quorum is present.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Our Board of Directors recommends a vote "AGAINST" this stockholder proposal.

# Proposal 5: Stockholder Proposal Regarding the Requirement that the Chairman of the Board be an Independent Director

We have been notified that the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, 25 Louisiana Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20001, expects to introduce and support the following proposal at the 2021 Annual Meeting. This stockholder proponent has provided certification indicating that, as of December 18, 2020, it was the beneficial owner of 160 shares of the company's common stock, with an approximate value of \$14,000, and that it intends to maintain such ownership through the date of the Annual Meeting. We are not responsible for the content of the stockholder proposal and the stockholder proponent's supporting statement, which are set forth below as they were submitted to us.

#### **PROPOSAL**

**RESOLVED:** That shareholders of XPO Logistics, Inc. ("the Company"), urge the Board of Directors (the "Board") to take the steps necessary to adopt a policy, with amendments to governing documents as needed, so that, to the extent feasible, the Chairman of the Board shall be an independent director who has not previously served as an executive officer of the Company. The policy should be implemented so as not to violate any contractual obligations and should specify the process for selecting a new independent chairman if the chairman ceases to be independent between annual meetings of shareholders or if no independent director is available and willing to serve as chairman.

**SUPPORTING STATEMENT:** XPO's CEO currently serves as Board Chairman. In our view, the chairman should be an independent director, who has not previously served as an executive, in order to provide robust oversight and accountability of management, and to facilitate effective deliberation of corporate strategy, which we believe, is difficult to accomplish when the CEO serves as chairman. Even with robust responsibilities, we believe the position of a lead independent director is inadequate to this task because ultimate responsibility for board leadership remains with the chairman/CEO. We also do not believe the recent creation of a vice-chair role remedies the situation, with the position confusing rather than enhancing the board leadership structure.

In our opinion, these considerations are especially critical at XPO given concerns over the company's governance, culture and human capital management practices.

We note that at three of the past four annual shareholder meetings, "Say-on-Pay" has received less that seventy percent support from the votes cast. Incredibly, despite approximately thirty three percent of shares being against Say-on-Pay last year, XPO, nevertheless, went ahead and granted, in July, an award worth up to \$80 million to the CEO.

XPO also continues to face considerable political and media scrutiny over allegations of pregnancy discrimination, sexual harassment and hazardous working conditions in its operation, following a New York Times investigation, in 2018, into a spate of miscarriages at an XPO facility in Memphis, TN. Similar concerns, we note, are raised by XPO's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Workers, for instance, at an XPO facility in the United Kingdom were "terrified" to go back to work after 64 workers contracted Covid-19 and the company refused to quarantine the facility (https://www/bbc/com/news/uk-england-wiltshire-53610084).

Finally, the fairness and economic sustainability of XPO's use of independent contractors raise serious risks for investors. XPO faces numerous lawsuits and government enforcement actions alleging driver misclassification, wage theft, and the violation of labor law protections. XPO has already paid millions to drivers for similar past cases, including \$16.5 million in June 2019. Critically, in its 10-K, XPO concedes that misclassification claims or changes to state law governing worker classification could have "material adverse" effect on the company's financial condition.

We urge fellow shareholders to vote FOR this proposal.

#### STATEMENT IN OPPOSITION BY OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The XPO Board of Directors Unanimously Recommends a Vote Against the Stockholder Proposal No. 5

XPO Has a Robust Governance Structure that Ensures Independent Oversight of Management

XPO has a robust corporate governance structure that enables the Board to strike the right balance between decisive leadership, effective decision-making and rigorous independent oversight of management. The current composition of our Board is highly independent. Currently seven out of XPO's eight directors are independent, three of whom have been added to the Board since 2016. Furthermore, the Board's committees and the committee chairs are comprised solely of independent directors. The charter of each committee requires that all members be independent, with the sole exception of the Acquisition Committee. However, the current members of the Acquisition Committee are also all independent.

To complement the roles of the committees and the committee chairs in providing effective independent oversight, the Board has established two leadership positions for independent directors—the lead independent director and the vice chairman.

The authorities and duties of the lead independent director include, among others: (i) presiding at executive sessions of outside directors and at meetings of the Board where the chairman is not present; (ii) coordinating with the chairman with respect to meeting agendas and approving final meeting agendas; (iii) coordinating with the chairman as to appropriate Board

meeting schedules to ensure sufficient time for discussion of all agenda items; (iv) coordinating with the chairman on the materials sent to the Board and approving final meeting materials; (v) calling and chairing sessions of the independent directors; (vi) ensuring availability for direct stockholder communication as appropriate, if requested by major stockholders; and (vii) serving as a liaison between the chairman and the non-management directors.

Michael Jesselson, an independent director who has an exemplary record as a director of XPO and who has substantial public company board experience, has served as our lead independent director since 2016. The Board believes that the position of lead independent director has served as an effective balance to the dual role served by Brad Jacobs.

In early 2019, the Board established an independent vice chairman position as part of its ongoing commitment to strong corporate governance. The position of vice chairman is defined as an independent director with authorities and duties that include, among others: (i) presiding at meetings of the Board where the chairman and the lead independent director are not present; (ii) assisting the chairman, when appropriate, in carrying out his or her duties; (iii) assisting the lead independent director, when appropriate, in carrying out his or her duties; and (iv) such other duties, responsibilities and assistance as the Board or the chairman may determine.

AnnaMaria DeSalva, an independent director who has a wealth of experience with public policy development, has served as vice chairman of the Board since February 2019. In this role, Ms. DeSalva provides support on key governance matters to the chairman, the lead independent director and the rest of the Board and also serves as the primary independent director to engage with our stockholders.

To encourage open discussion without management's influence, XPO's Corporate Governance Guidelines (available on the Company's corporate website at www.xpo.com under the Investors tab) require that non-management directors meet one or more times annually without the presence of management. To further facilitate independent oversight, the Corporate Governance Guidelines provide for Board members' unfettered access to senior XPO officers and outside advisors, and also require directors to "exercise appropriate diligence in making decisions and in overseeing management of the Company . . . based on the best interests of the Company and its stockholders and without regard to any personal interest."

As a result of these strong governance practices, the independent oversight of management and of issues of fundamental importance to the company is already delegated to the Board's independent directors, including two independent directors who are part of the Board's mandated leadership structure.

# XPO's Existing Governance Structure Strikes the Right Balance Between Ensuring Independent Oversight of Management and Preserving the Board's Imperative Flexibility

As the company's Board of Directors has repeatedly demonstrated over the years, the Board takes matters of corporate governance very seriously and believes that an appropriate balance exists between Mr. Jacobs' effective leadership and the robust corporate governance practices currently in effect. The Board understands the importance of determining the appropriate leadership structure for the company and reviews the company's existing board structure on an annual basis. The proposal, which requires that the chairman be an independent director who has not previously served as an executive officer of the company, would unduly restrict the Board from determining the best structure at a particular time and, thus, would not be in the best interests of the company and its stockholders. The Board's opinion on this matter is the product of its regular evaluations of Board policies, management performance, and its careful consideration of the proposal at hand.

#### Mr. Jacobs' Continued Service in these Roles has the Support of our Stockholders

Over the past several years, XPO has met with stockholders representing a significant portion of our outstanding shares to discuss a range of topics, including our board composition and leadership structure. Through these conversations, we have heard consistent feedback that stockholders are comfortable with our current board leadership structure and in support of Mr. Jacobs' continued service as both chairman and CEO. We have also discussed and made responsive changes to our disclosure around the roles and responsibilities of our independent leadership on the Board.

#### Mr. Jacobs' Combined Role of Chairman and CEO is in the Best Interests of XPO's Stockholders

The Board believes that the short-term and long-term interests of the company's stockholders are best served by Brad Jacobs continuing to serve as both Board chairman and chief executive officer. Mr. Jacobs has a long track record of creating significant value for stockholders. Since Mr. Jacobs joined XPO as chairman and CEO in 2011, XPO's annual revenue has grown from less than \$200 million to more than \$16 billion and XPO's stock has been the seventh best-performing stock of the prior decade among the Fortune 500, based on Bloomberg market data ending December 31, 2019. Under Mr. Jacobs' leadership, the company has won numerous accolades, including being named one of the "World's Most Admired Companies" by Fortune magazine and one of "America's Best Employers" by Forbes magazine. On December 2, 2020, Mr. Jacobs underscored his commitment to maximizing shareholder value when XPO announced that the Board authorized a spinoff of XPO's logistics segment into an independent, publicly-traded company. The planned spinoff demonstrates Mr. Jacobs' ability to focus on creating value for stockholders and also remain intensely committed to the satisfaction of our customers and employees. The Board believes that Mr. Jacobs' leadership in both his Board and executive roles has been critical to the success of XPO's business and culture, and that separating the roles would be deleterious in both the near-term and the long-term and would unduly risk the speed and quality of the company's decision-making process.

Therefore, the Board believes that this proposal is both unnecessary and contrary to the best interests of XPO's stockholders, particularly because it would deprive the Board of the flexibility to exercise its business judgment in selecting the most qualified and appropriate individuals to lead the Board.

For these reasons, the Board of Directors unanimously urges stockholders to vote AGAINST Proposal No. 5.

### **REQUIRED VOTE**

Approval of a stockholder proposal regarding the requirement that the chairman of the board be an independent director requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast (meaning the number of shares voted "for" such proposal must exceed the number of shares voted "against" such proposal) by holders of shares of our common stock (including those that would be issued if all our outstanding Series A Preferred Stock had converted into shares of our common stock as of the Record Date) at the Annual Meeting at which a quorum is present.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Our Board of Directors recommends a vote "AGAINST" this stockholder proposal.

# Proposal 6: Stockholder Proposal Regarding Acceleration of Executive Equity Awards in the Case of a Change in Control

We have been notified that the CtW Investment Group, 1900 L Street NW, Suite 900, Washington, D.C. 20036 expects to introduce and support the following proposal at the 2021 Annual Meeting. This stockholder proponent has provided certification indicating that, as of December 18, 2020, it was the beneficial owner of at least \$2,000 worth of the company's common stock, and that it intends to hold at least the minimum number of shares of the company's common stock required by the SEC through the date of the Annual Meeting. We are not responsible for the content of the stockholder proposal and the stockholder proponent's supporting statement, which are set forth below as they were submitted to us.

#### **PROPOSAL**

**RESOLVED:** The shareholders ask the Board of Directors of XPO Logistics, Inc. to adopt a policy that in the event of a change in control (as defined under any applicable employment agreement, equity incentive plan or other plan), there shall be no acceleration of vesting of any equity award granted to any senior executive officer, provided, however, that the Board's Compensation Committee may provide in an applicable grant or purchase agreement that any unvested award will vest on a partial, *pro rata* basis up to the time of the senior executive officer's termination, with such qualifications for an award as the Committee may determine.

For purposes of this Policy, "equity award" means an award granted under an equity incentive plan as defined in Item 402 of the SEC's Regulation S-K, which addresses elements of executive compensation to be disclosed to shareholders. This resolution shall be implemented so as not to affect any contractual rights in existence on the date this proposal is adopted, and it shall apply only to equity awards made under equity incentive plans or plan amendments that shareholders approve after the date of the 2021 annual meeting.

**SUPPORTING STATEMENT:** XPO Logistics ("Company") allows senior executives to receive an accelerated award of unearned equity under certain conditions after a change of control of the Company. We do not question that some form of severance payments may be appropriate in that situation. We are concerned, however, that current practices at the Company may permit windfall awards that have nothing to do with an executive's performance.

According to last year's proxy statement, a change in control could have accelerated the vesting of approximately \$120 million worth of long-term equity to the Company's five senior executives, with Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Bradley Jacobs entitled to over \$74 million.

We are unpersuaded by the argument that executives somehow "deserve" to receive unvested awards. To accelerate the vesting of unearned equity on the theory that an executive was denied the opportunity to earn those shares seems inconsistent with a "pay for performance" philosophy worthy of the name. Additionally, we note that shareholders have repeatedly expressed their concern regarding excessive executive compensation at the Company, with over 30 percent opposition to the Say-on-Pay proposal over several years (2020, 2019, and 2017).

We do believe, however, that an affected executive should be eligible to receive an accelerated vesting of equity awards on a pro rata basis as of his or her termination date, with the details of any pro rata award to be determined by the Compensation Committee.

According to Institutional Shareholder Services, 38% of Russell 3000 companies prohibited equity acceleration of performance-based shares upon a change of control in 2018.

We urge you to vote FOR this proposal.

#### STATEMENT IN OPPOSITION BY OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The XPO Board of Directors Unanimously Recommends a Vote Against Stockholder Proposal No. 6

The Current Structure of Equity Awards Aligns the Interests of our Senior Executives and Stockholders, Encourages Stability During a Potential Change in Control, and Rewards Executives for their Performance

As we describe in detail in the section of this Proxy Statement titled "Executive Compensation—Compensation Discussion and Analysis," our compensation program for senior executives is premised on our pay-for-performance culture and our commitment to align executive compensation with long-term stockholder value. We believe that our Compensation Committee, which is composed entirely of independent directors, is best positioned to design and implement executive compensation arrangements that are appropriate for our company and our stockholders, including with respect to the treatment of equity awards in connection with a change in control.

The Proponent attempts to preemptively bind the Compensation Committee with respect to a singular element of our executive compensation program. The proposal would prohibit the Compensation Committee from providing for accelerated vesting of unvested equity awards held by senior executive officers upon the occurrence of a change in control and permit only pro rata vesting of equity awards up to the time of a senior executive officer's termination of employment following a change in control. In the context of a potential change in control, any perceived lack of protection of the value of unvested equity awards can

create conflicts of interest and distractions because of uncertainty that may arise for executives, such as loss of job security. Accelerated equity award vesting can eliminate potential disincentives for executives to forego pursuing a change in control transaction that would benefit stockholders. In particular, accelerated vesting aligns the interests of stockholders and executives by allowing key decision makers to remain objective and focused on maximizing stockholder value up to and following a potential change in control. The Compensation Committee should be able to exercise its business judgment to determine whether, and under what circumstances, the accelerated vesting of equity awards is in the best interest of the company and our stockholders.

#### Adopting the Proposal Would Limit the Company's Ability to Attract and Retain Talented Executives

As indicated in the Proponent's Supporting Statement, pro rata vesting is not market practice—in fact, approximately 86% of companies in the Russell 3000 in 2019 did not prohibit accelerated vesting of performance-based equity awards upon a change in control according to Institutional Shareholder Services. Therefore, limiting the business judgment of the Compensation Committee and adopting the Proponent's one-size-fits-all approach could place us at a competitive disadvantage in attracting and retaining senior executives, particularly if a change in control transaction is pending or contemplated.

Further, accelerated vesting of equity awards is an effective way for us to retain our leadership team up to and following a change in control transaction. Retaining senior executives while a change in control transaction is pending can be particularly important to the company's continued success because the loss of such executives could jeopardize a pending transaction or adversely affect the company's business prospects or operations if the transaction is not completed. Adopting the proposal could create a significant disadvantage in retaining key executives, which could result in executive turnover that would be detrimental to the company and our stockholders.

### The Company's Demonstrated Commitment to Pay-For-Performance Refutes the Allegations Made in the Proposal

Although we believe many of the assertions in the Proponent's Supporting Statement are irrelevant to the proposal itself, we want to specifically add context to several misleading statements related to our commitment to our pay-for-performance philosophy. The Proponent suggests that accelerated vesting of equity awards is premised on our belief that executives are denied the opportunity to earn those shares in the event of a change in control transaction. However, it is for the reasons articulated above and in the Compensation Discussion & Analysis section of our proxy statement that our Board believes that the current structure of the company's executive compensation awards is appropriate and effective. Moreover, the Proponent fails to acknowledge our continued commitment to our pay-for-performance philosophy. For example, the company's executive compensation program consists of fixed base salaries and variable incentive compensation in the form of annual cash incentives and equity grants that emphasize pay for performance. In addition, the total reward package for each named executive officer reflects an assessment of individual responsibilities, contributions to corporate performance, the company's trend on total stockholder return, and the company's overall success in achieving its strategic goals. Further, all of the outstanding equity awards granted to Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Cooper and Mr. Harik are performance-based, demonstrating our company's strong commitment to aligning executive compensation with long-term stockholder value.

As evidence of this commitment, in 2020, the Compensation Committee reviewed the pay-for-performance alignment of XPO's compensation program on a realizable basis, using a four-year period to align with XPO's performance periods. This analysis demonstrated that pay has been extremely well-aligned with performance. From 2016-2019, XPO's realizable pay was at the 82nd percentile versus peers, while TSR performance was at the 91st percentile.

Accordingly, our Board believes that the current structure of our executive compensation program, including the provisions related to accelerated vesting of equity awards, appropriately reflects our pay-for-performance philosophy, aligning the interests of our executives with those of our stockholders and allowing us to attract and retain talented executives.

For these reasons, the Board of Directors unanimously urges stockholders to vote AGAINST Proposal No. 6.

#### **REQUIRED VOTE**

Approval of a stockholder proposal regarding acceleration of executive equity awards in the case of a change in control requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast (meaning the number of shares voted "for" such proposal must exceed the number of shares voted "against" such proposal) by holders of shares of our common stock (including those that would be issued if all our outstanding Series A Preferred Stock had converted into shares of our common stock as of the Record Date) at the Annual Meeting at which a quorum is present.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Our Board of Directors recommends a vote "AGAINST" this stockholder proposal.

### **OTHER MATTERS**

We do not expect that any matter other than the foregoing proposals will be brought before the 2021 Annual Meeting. If, however, such a matter is properly presented at the Annual Meeting or any adjournment or postponement of the Annual Meeting, the persons appointed as proxies will vote as recommended by our Board of Directors or, if no recommendation is given, in accordance with their judgment.

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

#### **AVAILABILITY OF ANNUAL REPORT AND PROXY STATEMENT**

If you would like to receive a copy of our 2020 Annual Report or this Proxy Statement, please contact us at: Investor Relations, XPO Logistics, Inc., Five American Lane, Greenwich, CT 06831 or by telephone at 1-855-976-6951, and we will send a copy to you without charge.

#### A NOTE ABOUT OUR WEBSITE

Although we include references to our website, <u>www.xpo.com</u>, throughout this Proxy Statement, information that is included on our website is not incorporated by reference into, and is not a part of, this Proxy Statement. Our website address is included as an inactive textual reference only.

We use our website as one means of disclosing material non-public information and for complying with our disclosure obligations under the SEC's Regulation FD. Such disclosures typically will be included within the Investor Relations section of our website. Accordingly, investors should monitor the Investor Relations section of our website, in addition to following our press releases, SEC filings and public conference calls and webcasts.

# ANNEX A—— RECONCILIATION OF NON-GAAP MEASURES

### CONSOLIDATED RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME TO ADJUSTED EBITDA

\$ in millions

y III THIIIIUTS		nths Ended ber 31,	Years Ei Decembe	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
Net income attributable to common shareholders	\$93	\$96	\$79	\$379
Preferred stock conversion charge <sup>(1)</sup>	22	_	22	_
Distributed and undistributed net income	10	11	9	40
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	3		7	21
Net income	128	107	117	440
Debt extinguishment loss	_	_	_	5
Interest expense	85	74	325	292
Income tax provision	33	30	31	129
Depreciation and amortization expense	194	193	766	739
Unrealized (gain) loss on foreign currency option and forward contracts		4	(2)	9
Transaction and integration costs	7	3	100	5
Restructuring costs	3	21	56	49
Adjusted EBITDA	\$449	\$432	\$1,393 ———	\$1,668 ====

<sup>(1)</sup> Relates to the conversion of 69,445 shares of the company's Series A Preferred Stock.

# CONSOLIDATED RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME (LOSS) TO ADJUSTED EBITDA

\$ in millions

		Six Months Ended Six Months E June 30, December		
	2020	2019	2020	2019
Net income (loss)	(\$109)	\$197	\$226	\$243
Debt extinguishment loss	_	5	_	_
Interest expense	154	143	171	149
Income tax provision (benefit)	(61)	65	92	64
Depreciation and amortization expense	379	360	387	379
Unrealized (gain) loss on foreign currency option and forward contracts	(1)	9	(1)	_
Transaction and integration costs	90	2	10	3
Restructuring costs	53	17	3	32
Adjusted EBITDA	\$505 ———	\$798 ———	\$888	\$870

# CONSOLIDATED RECONCILIATION OF GAAP NET INCOME AND NET INCOME PER SHARE TO ADJUSTED NET INCOME AND ADJUSTED NET INCOME PER SHARE

\$ in millions, except per-share data

				ears Ended cember 31,	
	2020	2019	2020	2019	
GAAP net income attributable to common shareholders	\$93	\$96	\$79	\$379	
Preferred stock conversion charge <sup>(1)</sup>	22	_	22	_	
Debt extinguishment loss	_	_	_	5	
Unrealized (gain) loss on foreign currency option and forward contracts	(1)	4	(2)	9	
Impairment of customer relationship intangibles	_	_	_	6	
Transaction and integration costs	7	3	100	5	
Restructuring costs	3	21	56	49	
Income tax associated with the adjustments above	1	(6)	(35)	(18)	
Impact of noncontrolling interests on above adjustments	_	(1)	(1)	(2)	
Allocation of undistributed earnings	(4)	(2)	(14)	(5)	
Adjusted net income attributable to common shareholders	\$121 ===	\$115 ====	\$205 ———	\$428 ———	
Adjusted basic earnings per share	\$1.32	\$1.25	\$2.24	\$4.46	
Adjusted diluted earnings per share	\$1.19	\$1.12	\$2.01	\$4.03	
Weighted-average common shares outstanding					
Basic weighted-average common shares outstanding	92	92	92	96	
Diluted weighted-average common shares outstanding	102	103	102	106	

<sup>(1)</sup> Relates to the conversion of 69,445 shares of the company's Series A Preferred Stock.

### RECONCILIATION OF CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES TO FREE CASH FLOW

\$ in millions

	Years Ended Dec	ember 31,
	2020	2019
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$885	\$791
Cash collected on deferred purchase price receivable		186
Adjusted net cash provided by operating activities	885	977
Payment for purchases of property and equipment	(526)	(601)
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment	195	252
Free Cash Flow	\$554 ———	\$628

### RECONCILIATION OF CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES TO FREE CASH FLOW

\$ in millions

	Six Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended December 31,	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$394	\$164	\$491	\$627
Cash collected on deferred purchase price receivable		137		49
Adjusted net cash provided by operating activities	394	301	491	676
Payment for purchases of property and equipment	(255)	(236)	(271)	(365)
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment	77	85	118	167
Free Cash Flow	\$216 ———	\$150 ———	<b>\$338</b>	\$478

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# XPO LOGISTICS NORTH AMERICAN LESS-THAN-TRUCKLOAD RECONCILIATION OF ADJUSTED OPERATING RATIO

\$ in millions

Three Months Ended December 31, 2020 2019 Revenue (excluding fuel surcharge revenue) \$806 \$777 Fuel surcharge revenue 110 128 Revenue 916 905 Salaries, wages and employee benefits 452 436 Purchased transportation 88 92 Fuel and fuel-related taxes 48 59 117 101 Other operating expenses Depreciation and amortization 58 55 Rents and leases 18 13 138 146 **Operating income Operating ratio** 84.9% 83.9% Restructuring costs (1) Amortization expense 9 9 Other income 10 5 Adjusted operating income \$156 \$160 Adjusted operating ratio(1) 83.0% 82.3%

<sup>(1)</sup> Excluding the impact of gains on real estate transactions from both periods, the adjusted operating ratio decreased by 130 basis points from 85.8% in the fourth quarter of 2019 to 84.5% in the fourth quarter of 2020.

#### **NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES**

As required by the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), we provide reconciliations of the non-GAAP financial measures contained in this proxy statement to the most directly comparable measure under GAAP, which are set forth in the financial tables above.

XPO's non-GAAP financial measures used in this proxy statement include: adjusted earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization ("adjusted EBITDA"); free cash flow; adjusted net income attributable to common shareholders and adjusted earnings per share (basic and diluted) ("adjusted EPS") on a consolidated basis; and adjusted operating income and adjusted operating ratio for our North American less-than-truckload business.

We believe that the above adjusted financial measures facilitate analysis of our ongoing business operations because they exclude items that may not be reflective of, or are unrelated to, XPO and its business segments' core operating performance, and may assist investors with comparisons to prior periods and assessing trends in our underlying businesses. Other companies may calculate these non-GAAP financial measures differently, and therefore our measures may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies. These non-GAAP financial measures should only be used as supplemental measures of our operating performance.

Adjusted EBITDA, adjusted net income attributable to common shareholders and adjusted EPS include adjustments for transaction and integration costs and restructuring costs. Transaction and integration adjustments are generally incremental costs that result from an actual or planned acquisition and include transaction costs, acquisition and integration consulting fees, internal salaries and wages (to the extent the individuals are assigned full-time to integration and transformation activities) and certain costs related to integrating and converging IT systems. Restructuring costs primarily relate to severance costs associated with business optimization initiatives. Management uses these non-GAAP financial measures in making financial, operating and planning decisions and evaluating XPO's and each business segment's ongoing performance.

We believe that free cash flow is an important measure of our ability to repay maturing debt or fund other uses of capital that we believe will enhance stockholder value. We believe that adjusted EBITDA improves comparability from period to period by removing the impact of our capital structure (interest and financing expenses), asset base (depreciation and amortization), tax impacts and other adjustments as set out in the attached tables that management has determined are not reflective of core operating activities and thereby assist investors with assessing trends in our underlying businesses. We believe that adjusted net income attributable to common shareholders and adjusted EPS improve the comparability of our operating results from period to period by removing the impact of certain costs and gains that management has determined are not reflective of our core operating activities. We believe that adjusted operating income and adjusted operating ratio for our North American less-than-truckload business improve the comparability of our operating results from period to period by (i) removing the impact of certain transaction, integration and restructuring costs and amortization expenses and, (ii) including the impact of pension income incurred in the reporting period as set out in the attached tables.

With respect to our full year 2021 financial target for adjusted EBITDA, a reconciliation of this non-GAAP measure to the corresponding GAAP measure is not available without unreasonable effort due to the variability and complexity of the reconciling items described above that we exclude from this non-GAAP target measure. The variability of these items may have a significant impact on our future GAAP financial results and, as a result, we are unable to prepare the forward-looking statement of income and statement of cash flows prepared in accordance with GAAP that would be required to produce such a reconciliation

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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549 Form 10-K (Mark One) ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020 TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_ Commission File Number: 001-32172 **XPOLogistics XPO Logistics, Inc.** (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) 03-0450326 **Delaware** (State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer incorporation or organization) Identification No.) Five American Lane Greenwich, CT 06831 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) Registrant's telephone number, including area code (855) 976-6951 Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: Title of each class Trading symbol(s) Name of each exchange on which registered XPO Common stock, par value \$0.001 per share New York Stock Exchange Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None (Title of class) Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes ℤ No □ Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes □ No 🗷 Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required

to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes 🗷 No 🗆

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§23 shorter period that the registrant was required to submi	32.405 of this	chapter) during the preceding 12 mor	
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth con filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging gro	npany. See th	e definitions of "large accelerated file	er," "accelerated
Large accelerated filer	X	Accelerated filer	
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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is	a shell comp	any (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the A	Act). Yes □ No 🗷
The aggregate market value of the registrant's co	ommon stock	held by non-affiliates of the registran	t was \$7.0 billion as

As of February 5, 2021, there were 102,203,908 shares of the registrant's common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, outstanding.

of June 30, 2020, based upon the closing price of the common stock on that date.

# DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Specified portions of the registrant's proxy statement, which will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Regulation 14A in connection with the registrant's 2021 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "Proxy Statement"), are incorporated by reference into Part III of this Annual Report on Form 10-K. Except with respect to information specifically incorporated by reference in this Annual Report, the Proxy Statement is not deemed to be filed as part hereof.

# XPO LOGISTICS, INC.

# ANNUAL REPORT ON FORM 10-K

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#### PART I

#### Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

This Annual Report on Form 10-K and other written reports and oral statements we make from time to time contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). All statements other than statements of historical fact are, or may be deemed to be, forward-looking statements. In some cases, forward-looking statements can be identified by the use of forward-looking terms such as "anticipate," "estimate," "believe," "continue," "could," "intend," "may," "plan," "potential," "predict," "should," "will," "expect," "objective," "projection," "forecast," "goal," "guidance," "outlook," "effort," "target," "trajectory" or the negative of these terms or other comparable terms. However, the absence of these words does not mean that the statements are not forward-looking. These forward-looking statements are based on certain assumptions and analyses made by the Company in light of its experience and its perception of historical trends, current conditions and expected future developments, as well as other factors it believes are appropriate in the circumstances. These forward-looking statements are subject to known and unknown risks, uncertainties and assumptions that may cause actual results, levels of activity, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Factors that might cause or contribute to a material difference include those discussed below and the risks discussed in the Company's other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). All forward-looking statements set forth in this Annual Report are qualified by these cautionary statements and there can be no assurance that the results or developments anticipated by the Company will be realized or, even if substantially realized, that they will have the expected consequence to or effects on the Company or its business or operations. The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the Company's audited Consolidated Financial Statements and related notes thereto included elsewhere in this Annual Report. Forward-looking statements set forth in this Annual Report speak only as of the date hereof, and we do not undertake any obligation to update forward-looking statements to reflect subsequent events or circumstances, changes in expectations or the occurrence of unanticipated events, except as required by law.

#### ITEM 1. BUSINESS

#### **Company Overview**

XPO Logistics, Inc., together with its subsidiaries ("XPO" or "we"), provides cutting-edge supply chain solutions to the most successful companies in the world. The company is the second largest contract logistics provider and the second largest freight broker globally, and a top three less-than-truckload provider in North America. XPO was incorporated as a Delaware corporation in May 2000.

As of December 31, 2020, we had approximately 102,000 employees and 1,523 locations in 30 countries, with substantially all of our services operating under the single brand of XPO Logistics. In January 2021, we acquired the majority of the logistics operations of Kuehne + Nagel in the U.K. and Ireland, which increased our location count to 1,629 and our number of employees to approximately 108,000. We use our highly integrated network to help more than 50,000 customers operate their supply chains most efficiently.

We have two reporting segments, Transportation and Logistics, each with robust service offerings, leadership positions and growth prospects. In 2020, approximately 62% of our revenue came from Transportation, and the remaining 38% came from Logistics. Within each segment, we are positioned to capitalize on fast-growing areas of demand.

We continue to closely monitor the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on all aspects of our business, including how it affects our employees, customers and business partners. See "Impacts of COVID-19" in Part II, Item 7, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

#### Planned Spin-off of the Logistics Segment

In December 2020, we announced that our Board of Directors unanimously approved a plan to pursue a spin-off of 100% of our Logistics segment as a separate publicly traded company. The spin-off, which we intend to qualify as a transaction that is generally tax-free for U.S. federal income tax purposes to XPO shareholders, would result in XPO shareholders owning stock in both companies. If completed, the spin-off will result in separate public companies with clearly delineated service offerings. XPO will be a global provider of primarily less-than-truckload ("LTL") transportation and truck brokerage services, and the spun-off company will be the second largest contract logistics provider in the world. Both companies' stocks are expected to trade on the New York Stock Exchange, and we plan to consider a dual listing on the London Stock Exchange for the spun-off company in due course.

The transaction is currently expected to be completed in the second half of 2021, subject to various conditions. There can be no assurance that the spin-off will occur or, if it does occur, of its terms or timing. See "Risk Factors" in Item 1A below for further information.

#### Transportation Segment Overview

Our Transportation segment primarily provides LTL and truck brokerage services in North America and Europe. Our largest service offering within the Transportation segment is LTL, which contributed 43% of 2020 segment revenue. We are a top three provider of LTL services in North America, and we have one of the largest LTL networks in Western Europe.

Our other primary service offering within the Transportation segment is truck brokerage. We are the second largest brokerage provider globally and the third largest brokerage provider in North America. As of December 31, 2020, we had truck brokerage relationships with approximately 75,000 independent carriers representing over 1,000,000 trucks. The results of our truck brokerage operations are included as part of our freight brokerage services, which include additional, asset-light services for expedite, intermodal and drayage.

For more information about our Transportation segment offerings, refer to the "Transportation Services" section below.

#### Logistics Segment Overview

Our Logistics segment, which we sometimes refer to as supply chain, provides order fulfillment and other distribution services differentiated by our ability to deliver technology-enabled, customized solutions. Our logistics customers include many preeminent companies that benefit from our scale, digital capabilities, expertise and range of solutions. Many of these customers have long-tenured relationships with us, and frequently expand the scope and scale of the services we provide to them.

XPO is the second largest provider of contract logistics globally, with the largest outsourced e-commerce fulfillment platform in Europe, and a major platform for e-fulfillment in North America. As of December 31, 2020, we operated 205 million square feet (19 million square meters) of logistics warehouse space worldwide. Approximately 101 million square feet (9 million square meters) was located in North America; 96 million square feet (9 million square meters) was located in Europe; and 8 million square feet (1 million square meters) was located in Asia. Our January 2021 acquisition of Kuehne + Nagel logistics sites in the U.K. and Ireland increased our global facility space to 212 million square feet (20 million square meters).

Our Logistics segment benefits from deep roots in the e-commerce sector, which continues to show strong, secular growth. Many of our e-commerce facilities also manage merchandise returns, also known as reverse logistics. Before COVID-19, e-commerce was already growing globally at a double-digit rate, and that growth has accelerated as more consumers opt to purchase goods online. This level of growth makes it difficult for many companies to handle fulfillment and returns in-house while providing high levels of service. We provide solutions for pure-play e-commerce companies, omnichannel retailers and manufacturers with aftermarket distribution channels, including the merchandise returns that have become a significant byproduct of order fulfillment.

For more information about our Logistics segment offering, refer to the "Logistics Services" section below.

#### Operating Philosophy

We believe that our rapid pace of innovation differentiates our services, enables us to better utilize our assets and makes the most of the talent within our organization. Our proprietary technology strengthens our relationships with customers by addressing their immediate supply chain needs and anticipating future needs. Technology allows us to be a true partner to our customers by helping them meet their objectives for efficiency, safety, customer service and growth.

When developing our technology, we concentrate our efforts in four areas that can create value for our shareholders by serving our customers most efficiently: our digital freight marketplace, automation and intelligent machines, dynamic data science, and visibility and customer service, specifically in the e-commerce supply chain. See the "Transportation Services," "Logistics Services" and "Technology and Intellectual Property" sections below for more information about our technology.

Environmental sustainability is a significant priority for us. In the U.S., XPO has been named a Top 75 Green Supply Chain Partner by Inbound Logistics for five consecutive years. In France, we have renewed our commitment to the CO2 Charter for another three years. In Spain, all of our sites meet Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design ("LEED") energy certification standards for 100% consumption of renewable energy. In the U.K., the Digital Distribution Warehouse of the Future we created with Nestlé became a reality in 2020, operating with environmentally friendly ammonia refrigeration systems, energy-saving lighting, air-source heat pumps for administration areas and rainwater harvesting.

In our Logistics segment, a number of our warehouse facilities are ISO 14001-certified, which ensures environmental and other regulatory compliances. We monitor fuel emissions from forklifts, with protocols in place to take immediate corrective action if needed. Our packaging engineers ensure that the optimal carton size is used for each product slated for distribution, and when feasible, we purchase recycled packaging. As a byproduct of managing returned merchandise, we recycle millions of electronic components and batteries each year.

In our Transportation segment, we have made substantial investments in fuel-efficient Freightliner Cascadia tractors in North America; these use Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") 2013-compliant and Greenhouse Gas 2014-compliant Selective Catalytic Reduction technology. Our North American LTL locations have energy-saving policies in place and are implementing a phased upgrade to LED lighting.

Our modern road fleet in Europe is 98% compliant with Euro V, EEV and Euro VI standards. We also own a large fleet of natural gas trucks operating in France, the U.K., Spain and Portugal, and in 2020 we invested in 80 new tractors that use liquified natural gas ("LNG"). This increased our alternative-fuel road fleet in France to more than 250 LNG vehicles. In Spain, we own government-approved mega-trucks to transport freight with fewer trips, and our last mile operations in Europe use electric vehicles for deliveries in certain urban areas, reducing those emissions to zero.

#### **Transportation Services**

Less-Than-Truckload (LTL)

Our LTL operations in North America are asset-based. We provide customers with geographic density and day-definite regional, inter-regional and transcontinental LTL freight services with one of the industry's largest national networks of tractors, trailers, professional drivers and terminals. This includes cross-border U.S. service to and from Mexico and Canada, as well as intra-Canada service.

In 2020, our LTL operations in North America offered more than 75,000 next-day and two-day lanes and had over 20,000 customers. Our customers value our scale and capacity and our network of 290 LTL terminals in the U.S. and Canada. We also have one of the largest, most modern and most safety-equipped LTL fleets in our industry. Our North American fleet contains approximately 7,800 tractors and 25,000 trailers, operated by approximately 12,000 employee drivers.

In Europe, our LTL offering utilizes a blend of operations that includes asset-based (XPO fleet) and asset-light (contracted carriers), supported by a network of terminals. We provide LTL services domestically in France, the U.K., Spain and Portugal, and we offer multinational LTL distribution throughout Europe.

Our linehaul network is how we move LTL freight across the country. We use intelligent route-building to increase fleet utilization, optimize load factor and limit cargo damage. To improve pickup-and-delivery performance, we developed routing and visualization tools that help our dispatchers leverage route density and reduce cost per stop. To optimize pricing, we use elasticity models to adjust for current lane conditions. In addition, we use our XPO Smart<sup>TM</sup> labor management technology in our yard and dock operations to enhance productivity. For more information, see the "Technology and Intellectual Property" section below.

While each application of our technology delivers its own benefits, we also expect a strong synergistic effect on our LTL business as a whole. For example, when we optimize truck routes, this benefits asset utilization, driver utilization, customer service and yield, and should reduce our carbon footprint.

#### Truck Brokerage

Our truck brokerage operations are non-asset-based — we place shippers' freight with qualified carriers, primarily trucking companies. Truck brokerage services are priced on either a spot market or contract basis for shippers. Customers offer loads to us via electronic data interchange ("EDI"), email, telephone and our XPO Connect<sup>TM</sup> platform on a daily basis; we collect payments from our customers and pay carriers for transporting the loads.

Our truck brokerage capabilities are differentiated by scale, expertise and the critical advantages of our propriety technology. As of December 31, 2020, we had approximately 75,000 independent carriers in our global brokerage network, giving us access to more than a million trucks. Our operating model enables us to reduce our costs when demand is soft and flex our resources to find trucks as demand returns.

In the U.S., truck brokers have steadily penetrated the broader for-hire trucking industry over time, in part because of the reliable access to capacity brokers can provide and, more recently, digital access to truck capacity. Our platform has become one of the most rapidly adopted technologies in the brokerage industry. The marketplace dynamics, together with the vast potential of future applications, establish XPO Connect™ as a significant differentiator of our brokerage offering. For more information, see the "Technology and Intellectual Property" section below.

In addition to truck brokerage, our freight brokerage services include intermodal and drayage operations that provide customers with container capacity, long-haul transportation brokered with railroads, road transportation of containers performed by independent contractors, and on-site operational services. We utilize containers and chassis we lease or own, together with access to supplemental equipment capacity, to meet our customers' intermodal requirements.

Our Transportation segment also includes an asset-light last mile logistics service for the home delivery of heavy goods — a sector that benefits from the rapid growth of e-commerce and omnichannel retail. XPO is the largest provider of last mile logistics for heavy goods in North America, with a growing last mile presence in Europe.

Additionally, we may assist customers with ancillary services, such as urgent shipping, or freight forwarding, or customers may outsource the management of their freight transportation to us. As of December 31, 2020, we had approximately 10,000 independent contractors under contract to provide ancillary services to our customers.

# **Logistics Services**

Our Logistics segment provides a wide range of services differentiated by our technology, including high-value-add warehousing and distribution, order fulfillment and personalization, cold-chain logistics, packaging and labeling, aftermarket support, inventory management and supply chain optimization.

Our logistics customers primarily operate in industries with high-growth outsourcing opportunities, including e-commerce and retail, food and beverage, consumer packaged goods, technology, aerospace, telecommunications, industrial and manufacturing, chemicals, agribusiness, life sciences and healthcare. These are all verticals where we

have significant expertise and we understand the specific requirements, such as special handling, complex stock-keeping, time-assured deliveries and surge management.

One of the most highly valued services across multiple customer verticals is reverse logistics. Depending on the merchandise being returned, this fast-growing area of logistics can include inspection, testing, repackaging, refurbishment, resale or product disposal, as well as refunding and warranty management. Reverse logistics services are mission-critical for companies with consumer end-markets, as shoppers are increasingly "test-driving" the merchandise they buy online.

Logistics processes are ripe for transformation through technology. Order fulfillment times are compressing, most notably in the direct-to-consumer space. The most cost-effective way to meet the majority of customer expectations is through advanced automation and intelligent machines — robots and cobots (collaborative robots), automated sortation systems, automated guided vehicles ("AGVs") and goods-to-person systems. In 2019, we integrated collaborative robotics and goods-to-person systems in a number of our warehouses to support our employees and improve efficiency; this integration substantially increased throughput in 2020.

Additionally, we have developed analytics that predict future surges in demand based on data histories and forecasted customer spend. About 15% to 35% of consumer goods bought online are returned, based on the product category, and this creates reverse peaks at certain times of year. We have been able to shave several days off the reverse process through automation, which accelerates a customer's ability to return goods to retail for sale.

In addition to our investments in automation and analytics, we have differentiated XPO from other logistics providers through our ability to create a synchronized warehouse environment across automation solutions. Our proprietary warehouse management platform integrates robotics and other advanced automation into our operations with rigorous control, even when complex, third-party software is involved.

Our XPO Smart<sup>TM</sup> labor management tools help us offset the higher cost of labor in our facilities by making the optimal use of workforce hours. As logistics volumes pick up, our site managers are able make rapid adjustments to labor levels in real time. XPO Smart<sup>TM</sup> self-adjusts site by site to drive productivity across our logistics network. For more information, see the "Technology and Intellectual Property" section below.

Other technologies that differentiate our logistics offering are our proprietary warehouse module for order management, which gives customers deep visibility into fulfillment flows, and our analytics dashboard, which gives customers valuable business intelligence to manage their supply chains. Our connection management software module facilitates integration with SAP, Oracle and other external systems, enabling our customers to get the most benefit from our technology in areas such as visibility, demand planning and continuous improvement.

### XPO Direct™

XPO Direct™ is our shared-space distribution network for B2C and B2B customers in North America. This unique solution gives retailers and manufacturers a way to manage fulfillment using our scale, capacity and innovation without the need to add high-fixed-cost distribution centers. XPO Direct™ gives customers the flexibility to reposition inventory within one-day and two-day ground delivery range of approximately 99% of the U.S. population as demand patterns change, and in close proximity to retail stores for inventory replenishment. This responds directly to increasing demand for shorter fulfillment times.

XPO Direct™ capitalizes on the strengths of our Transportation and Logistics segments in combination. Our technology links our facilities, which serve as strategically located stockholding sites and cross-docks that can be utilized by multiple customers at the same time. Transportation needs are supported by our brokered, contracted and owned capacity.

#### **Our Strategy**

Our strategy is to help customers manage their goods most efficiently throughout their supply chains, using our network of people, technology and physical assets. We deliver value to customers in the form of technological innovations, process efficiencies, cost efficiencies and reliable outcomes. Our services are both highly responsive to

customer goals, such as mitigating environmental impacts over time, and proactive in identifying potential improvements. Most important, we have instilled a culture that focuses our efforts on delivering mutually beneficial results for our customers and our company.

As part of our strategy, we have positioned XPO to capitalize on secular trends in demand, such as the rapid growth of e-commerce and the heightened customer interest in outsourcing.

Management's growth and optimization strategy for the Transportation segment is to:

- Market our solutions and vertical expertise to new and existing customers of all sizes;
- Leverage the advantages of our proprietary XPO Connect™ digital marketplace, which synthesizes the shipper, carrier and consumer experiences using automation and real-time visibility;
- Recruit and retain quality drivers for our fleets, and best utilize our driver and equipment capacities;
- Attract and retain quality independent contracted carriers and independent brokered carriers for our transportation network;
- Recruit and retain talented sales and customer service representatives and continuously improve their productivity with state-of-the-art training and technology; and
- Integrate industry best practices into our operations, with a focus on automation and analytics that drive productivity and share gains.

Management's growth and optimization strategy for the Logistics segment is to:

- Develop additional business in verticals where we already have deep expertise, enduring customer relationships and a strong track record of successful performance;
- Capture more share of wallet with existing customers who could use our logistics solutions for more of their supply chain needs;
- Market the advantages of our proprietary technology for warehouse operations, which we use to manage advanced automation, robotics, labor productivity, safety and changes in demand in complex logistics environments;
- Partner with our customers in meeting their goals for supply chain performance, growth management and stakeholder satisfaction, and help them overcome challenges specific to their business; and
- Integrate industry best practices into our operations, with a focus on automation and analytics that drive productivity and share gains.

#### **Technology and Intellectual Property**

One of the ways in which we strengthen our relationships with customers is by empowering our employees to deliver superior service through our technology. Our industry is evolving, and customers want to de-risk their supply chains through robust visibility and digitization. We are already well-positioned to provide this value to customers, because we prioritized visibility, control and automation early in the development of our proprietary technology.

We have built a highly scalable platform on the cloud that speeds the deployment of new ways to increase efficiency, control costs and leverage our footprint. We can deploy innovations across multiple geographies in a relatively short time, and also take an innovation developed for one of our services and apply it to other services to differentiate the value we offer. This agility gives our larger accounts an added incentive to use us for multiple solutions.

We believe that our investment in technology is among the highest in our industry at an annual average of approximately \$500 million. The most significant impacts of our technology to date are in these areas:

XPO Smart™ is our proprietary suite of intelligent tools and analytics that self-adjusts site by site to drive productivity across our operations. It incorporates dynamic data science, predictive analytics and machine learning to aid our managers in decision-making. We use XPO Smart™ to improve our labor and inventory management in a safe, disciplined and cost-effective manner.

XPO Smart<sup>TM</sup> was implemented in 85% of our warehouses in North America and 50% of our warehouses in Europe as of December 31, 2020. Additional roll-outs are underway and we expect to see a significant increase in productivity as we fully utilize the tools in our operations going forward.

Intelligent warehouse automation is a priority for our Logistics segment. This includes autonomous robots and collaborative robots, automated sortation systems, automated guided vehicles, goods-to-person systems and wearable smart devices. We integrate these technologies into our operations and control them in-house with our proprietary warehouse management system. Advanced automation, robotics and autonomous goods-to-person systems are particularly effective in delivering critical improvements in speed, accuracy and productivity. Importantly, automation also enhances worker safety and the overall quality of employment.

For Nestlé, the world's largest food and beverage company, we co-developed a fully automated Digital Distribution Warehouse of the Future in the U.K., which we opened in mid-2020. This distribution center has the capacity to process more than a million pallets per year — the highest throughput of any facility in Nestlé's global network. Our European innovation lab is based on the premises, where it functions as both a think tank and a launch pad with the ability to test new technologies under real-life operating conditions.

XPO Connect<sup>TM</sup> is our proprietary digital freight marketplace; it encompasses our core Freight Optimizer system, shipper interface, pricing engine, carrier interface and our carrier mobile app, called Drive XPO<sup>TM</sup>. This fully automated, self-learning digital platform gives us a scalable framework to continually improve our service, capture share and reduce costs.

XPO Connect<sup>TM</sup> connects shippers with freight carriers, both virtually and through our transportation operations. We give shippers access to our transportation network and market data, while carriers transact to secure loads through the mobile app. As of December 31, 2020, globally, we had more than 70,000 truck carriers registered for XPO Connect<sup>TM</sup> and over 300,000 truck driver downloads of the app.

In LTL, our technology focuses on optimizing the main components of the service we provide: linehaul, pickup-and-delivery and pricing. Our North American LTL linehaul network moved freight approximately 2.3 million miles a day on average in 2020, with approximately 15% of that volume traveling direct.

With intelligent route-building, we can reduce empty miles in our linehaul network, improve load factor and mitigate cargo damage. Our proprietary bypass models assimilate massive amounts of data to arrive at recommendations based on volume and density, taking freight dimensions into account to identify gaps in trailer utilization. Other areas of LTL that are ripe for optimization through our technology include pickup-and-delivery routing, pricing management, trailer utilization, exception management and dock productivity.

In September 2020, we extended our partnership with the Massachusetts Institute of Technology ("MIT") Industrial Liaison Program. We are the first global logistics company to collaborate with MIT's world-class research capabilities to advance supply chain innovation. This is an opportunity to realize new levels of productivity for our customers, and at the same time, we have the opportunity to provide input into future applications of robotics, machine learning and systems engineering.

#### **Customers and Markets**

We provide services to more than 50,000 customers, ranging in size from small, entrepreneurial organizations to Fortune 500 companies and global leaders. The diversification of our customer base minimizes concentration risk: in 2020, our top five customers combined accounted for approximately 8% of our revenue, with our largest customer accounting for approximately 2% of revenue.

Our markets are also highly diversified. The customers we serve span every major industry and touch every part of the economy. Our revenue derives from a mix of key verticals, such as retail and e-commerce, food and beverage, consumer packaged goods, technology and industrial.

Our Transportation and Logistics segments market to domestic and international customers and primarily perform their services in North America and Europe. For the full year 2020, approximately 58% of our total revenue was generated in the U.S., 15% in Europe (excluding France and the U.K.), 13% in the U.K. and 11% in France.

# Competition

Transportation and logistics are highly fragmented marketplaces with thousands of companies competing domestically and internationally. XPO competes on quality of service, reliability, scope and scale of operations, technological capabilities, expertise and price.

Our competitors include local, regional, national and international companies that offer the same services we provide; some have larger customer bases, significantly more resources and more experience than we have. In logistics, some of our competitors include Clipper Logistics, Kuehne + Nagel and DSV. In transportation, some of our competitors include Old Dominion Freight Line, Saia, FedEx and C.H. Robinson. Additionally, some of our customers have sufficient internal resources to perform the services we offer. Due to the competitive nature of our marketplaces, we strive daily to strengthen existing business relationships and forge new relationships.

The health of the transportation and logistics industries will continue to be a function of domestic and global economic growth. However, we believe that we have positioned XPO in fast-growing sectors to benefit from secular trends, such as the demand for e-commerce, omnichannel retail and supply chain outsourcing.

#### Regulation

Our operations are regulated and licensed by various governmental agencies in the U.S. and in other countries where we conduct business. These regulations impact us directly and also indirectly when they regulate third-party providers we arrange and/or contract with to transport freight for our customers.

Regulations Affecting Motor Carriers, Owner-Operators and Transportation Brokers. In the U.S., our subsidiaries that operate as motor carriers, freight forwarders, and freight transportation brokers are licensed by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration ("FMCSA") of the U.S. Department of Transportation ("DOT"). Our motor carrier subsidiaries and the third-party motor carriers we contract with in the U.S. must comply with the safety and fitness regulations of the DOT, including those related to, without limitation, controlled substances and alcohol, hours-of-service compliance, vehicle maintenance, hazardous materials compliance, driver fitness, unsafe driving, and minimum insurance requirements, as well as the Compliance Safety Accountability ("CSA") program, which uses a Safety Measurement System ("SMS") to rank motor carriers on seven categories of safety-related data, known as Behavioral Analysis and Safety Improvement Categories ("BASICs").

Other federal agencies, such as the U.S. EPA, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration ("FDA"), the California Air Resources Board ("CARB") and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security ("DHS"), also regulate our equipment, operations, cargo and independent contractor drivers. We are also subject to a variety of vehicle registration and licensing requirements in certain states and local jurisdictions where we operate, as are the third-party carriers with which we contract. In foreign jurisdictions where we operate, our operations are regulated by the appropriate governmental authorities. We may become subject to new or more restrictive regulations relating to emissions, drivers' hours-of-service, independent contractor eligibility requirements, onboard reporting of operations, air cargo security and other matters affecting safety or operating methods.

Regulations Affecting our Subsidiaries Providing Ocean and Air Transportation. One of our subsidiaries, XPO Customs Clearance Solutions, LLC ("XCCS"), is licensed as a U.S. Customs broker by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (the "CBP") of the DHS in each U.S. district where it performs services. All U.S. Customs brokers are required to maintain prescribed records and are subject to periodic audits by the CBP. In non-U.S. jurisdictions where we perform customs brokerage services, our operations are licensed, where necessary, by the appropriate governmental authorities.

Our subsidiaries that offer expedited air charter transportation are subject to regulation by the Transportation Security Administration ("TSA") of the DHS governing air cargo security for all loads, regardless of origin or destination. Some of our subsidiaries are regulated as "indirect air carriers" by the TSA. The CBP, TSA and relevant non-U.S. governmental agencies provide requirements and guidance and, in some cases, administer licensing requirements and processes applicable to the freight forwarding industry.

Regarding our international operations, XPO is a member of the International Air Transportation Association ("IATA"), a voluntary association of airlines and freight forwarders that outlines operating procedures for forwarders acting as agents or third-party intermediaries for IATA members. A substantial portion of our international air freight business is transacted with other IATA members.

Additionally, some of our subsidiaries are licensed as an Ocean Transportation Intermediary ("OTI"), since they operate as a non-vessel-operating common carrier, or NVOCC, and/or as an Ocean Freight Forwarder ("OFF") licensed by the U.S. Federal Maritime Commission ("FMC"), which establishes the qualifications, regulations, licensing and bonding requirements for arranging international transportation to or from the U.S. as an OTI.

Our OTI operations, which include operating as both an NVOCC and an OFF, are subject to regulations of the U.S. Department of State, the U.S. Department of Commerce, the U.S. Department of Treasury, the U.S. Department of Justice, and the Securities and Exchange Commission and to various laws and regulations of the other countries where we operate. These laws and regulations govern what commodities may be shipped to certain destinations and end-users, unfair international trade practices, limitations on entities with which we may conduct business and related matters.

Other Regulations. We are subject to a variety of other U.S. and foreign laws and regulations, including, but not limited to, the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and other anti-bribery and anti-corruption statutes, and export sanction laws. We are also subject to state and U.S. federal laws and regulations addressing some types of cargo transported or stored by our subsidiaries, or transported pursuant to a government contract or subcontract.

Classification of Independent Contractors. U.S. tax and other federal and state regulatory authorities, as well as private litigants, continue to assert that independent contractor drivers in the trucking industry are employees rather than independent contractors, while applying a variety of standards in their determinations of independent contractor status. Federal legislators have introduced legislation in the past to make it easier for tax and other authorities to reclassify independent contractors as employees, including legislation to increase the recordkeeping requirements and heighten the penalties for companies that misclassify workers and are found to have violated overtime or wage requirements. Additionally, federal legislators have sought to abolish the current safe harbor, which allows taxpayers that meet certain criteria to treat individuals as independent contractors if they are following a longstanding, recognized practice. Federal legislators also sought to expand the Fair Labor Standards Act to cover "nonemployees" who perform labor or services for businesses, even if said non-employees are properly classified as independent contractors; require taxpayers to provide written notice to workers based upon their classification as either an employee or a non-employee; and impose penalties and fines for violations of the notice requirement or for misclassifications. Some states have launched initiatives to increase tax revenues from items such as unemployment, workers' compensation and income taxes, and the reclassification of independent contractors as employees could help states increase these revenues. If the independent contractor drivers that provide services to XPO are determined to be our employees, we would incur additional exposure under some or all of the following: federal and state tax, workers' compensation, unemployment benefits, and labor, employment and tort laws, including for prior periods, as well as potential liability for employee benefits and tax withholdings.

Environmental Regulations. Our transportation and logistics operations and our independent contractors are subject to various environmental laws and regulations in the jurisdictions where we operate. In the U.S., these laws and regulations deal with the hauling, handling and disposal of hazardous materials, emissions from vehicles, engine-idling, fuel tanks and related fuel spillage and seepage, discharge and retention of storm water, and other environmental matters that involve inherent environmental risks. We may be responsible for the cleanup of any spill or other incident involving hazardous materials caused by our business. In the past, we have been responsible for the cost to clean up diesel fuel spills caused by traffic accidents or other events, and none of these incidents materially

affected our business or operations. We generally transport only hazardous materials rated as low-to-medium-risk, and only a small percentage of our total loads contain hazardous materials.

We believe that our operations are in substantial compliance with current laws and regulations and we do not know of any existing environmental condition that reasonably would be expected to have a material adverse effect on our business or operating results.

A number of our logistics sites are ISO 14001-certified to high standards for environmental management, and we have implemented numerous programs to manage environmental risks and maintain compliance. U.S. federal and state governments, as well as governments in certain foreign jurisdictions where we operate, have also proposed environmental legislation that could, among other things, potentially limit carbon, exhaust and greenhouse gas emissions. If enacted, such legislation could result in higher costs for new tractors and trailers, reduced productivity and efficiency, and increased operating expenses, all of which could adversely affect our results of operations.

#### **Risk Management and Insurance**

We maintain insurance for commercial automobile liability, truckers' commercial automobile liability, commercial general liability, cargo/warehouse legal liability, workers' compensation and employers' liability, and umbrella and excess umbrella liability, with coverage limits, deductibles and self-insured retention levels that we believe are reasonable given the varying historical frequency, severity and timing of claims. Certain actuarial assumptions and managerial judgments are made for insurance reserves and are subject to a degree of variability.

#### Seasonality

Our revenue and profitability are typically lower for the first quarter of the calendar year relative to other quarters. We believe this is due in part to the post-holiday reduction in demand experienced by many of our customers, which leads to less use of transportation and logistics services.

In our Logistics segment, which benefits from strong positioning in the e-commerce sector, demand is characterized by strong seasonal surges in activity, with the fourth quarter holiday peak typically being the most dramatic. In our Transportation segment, the productivity of our tractors and trailers, independent contractors and other transportation providers generally decreases during the winter season because inclement weather impedes operations. It is not possible to reliably predict whether our historical revenue and profitability trends will continue to occur in future periods.

#### **Human Capital Management**

Our success relies in large part on our strong governance structure and Code of Business Ethics, our good corporate citizenship and, importantly, engaged employees who embrace our values.

As a customer-centric company with a strong service culture, we constantly work to maintain our position as an employer of choice. This requires an unwavering commitment to workplace inclusion and safety, as well as competitive total compensation that meets the needs of our employees and their families.

### Employee Profile

We had approximately 102,000 employees worldwide as of December 31, 2020, with over 39,000 employees in Transportation and more than 61,000 employees in Logistics. In North America, 79% of our employees occupy hourly roles and 21% are in salaried positions. With locations spanning 30 countries, 45% of our employees are based in North America, 53% in Europe and 2% in Latin America and Asia, combined. Across our operations, 27% of our employees work as drivers and dockworkers, 46% as warehouse workers and 24% in field supervisory and management positions. In addition, our workforce is supplemented with approximately 18,000 temporary workers at our logistics sites in North America and an average of 17,500 temporary workers in our logistics network in Europe. As of December 31, 2020, 75.8% of our employees in Europe were represented by unions or other employee representative bodies, while almost all of our employees in the United States have chosen to remain union-free.

Throughout 2020, we made significant investments in the safety, well-being and satisfaction of our employees in these and other areas:

#### Diversity and Inclusion

We take pride in having an inclusive workplace that encourages a diversity of talents and perspectives. We welcome employees of every gender identity, sexual orientation, race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, life experience and disability. In 2020, we created the position of chief diversity officer and linked ESG performance targets and initiatives, including deliverables and targets for diversity and inclusion, to 25% of our top executives' long-term incentive compensation, to further strengthen this aspect of our culture. In addition, we celebrated the values of Black history, women's history, LBGTQ+ pride, Hispanic heritage and military veterans, and launched inclusivity courses through our XPO University e-learning portal. We also formed academic partnerships that advance diversity in higher education, and we supported eight inclusion programs that highlight women, veterans, the LGBTQ+ community, people with disabilities and other groups.

#### Health and Safety

Our frontline employees provide essential services to keep goods flowing to the people who need them. Their protection is always our foremost priority, and with the onset of COVID-19 in 2020, we began using a combination of protective measures, technology and virtual communications to maintain a safe workplace environment. There are many preventative measures and risk-mitigating actions we have taken to protect employees, including offering 100% paid pandemic sick leave for eligible employees, providing frontline employee appreciation pay to approximately 40,000 workers in the U.S. and Canada, procuring ample supplies of personal protective equipment for employees in all of our workplaces, instituting a contactless delivery policy for our customers, and providing expanded access to mental health counseling services for employees and their dependents.

In addition to our COVID-19 response, we have numerous protocols in place to ensure a safe workplace environment. We aim to maintain an Occupational Safety and Health Administration ("OSHA") total recordable incident rate ("TRIR") that is less than half the published rate for the Warehousing and Storage sector, based on the "Industry Injury and Illness Data" of the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics ("BLS"). In 2020, we exceeded our target expectation with a TRIR that was 74.5% lower than the BLS national benchmark.

Another way we work to decrease occupational injuries and illnesses is with our global Road to Zero program. Road to Zero instills safety and compliance awareness through education, mentoring, communication and on-the-job reinforcement. In addition to physical well-being, we also consider emotional well-being to be an important part of workplace safety — our Code of Business Ethics mandates zero tolerance of discrimination, harassment, retaliation, bullying and other unacceptable behaviors.

#### Talent Development and Engagement

Across our universe of customers, our employees are foundational to providing a best-in-class level of service. We ask our employees for feedback through engagement surveys, roundtables and town halls, and we use periodic engagement surveys to gauge our progress, assess satisfaction and ask for constructive suggestions. In this way, our employees help drive the continuous improvement of our business. We emphasize career development and the identification of top industry talent in all aspects of the recruitment, training and talent development process. Our talent development infrastructure includes these activities and programs, among others:

*Recruitment.* We tailor our recruitment efforts by geography and job function using an array of channels to ensure a diverse candidate pool. We seek to identify untapped opportunities in the recruitment of military veterans, and we have partnered with WorkFit, the Down's Syndrome Association's employment program.

*Grow at XPO*. This supportive program offers tailored skills development, training and mentoring for employees who aspire to grow into higher-paying positions with more responsibility. Grow at XPO is intended primarily to create opportunities for employees from minority populations or underrepresented communities.

XPO Graduate Program (LTL) and Site Operations Manager Academy (Logistics). We maintain a robust "ready now" pipeline of future operations leaders by using structured sponsorships and incidental learning techniques.

These programs are designed to develop internal candidates who demonstrate high potential in supervisory roles, preparing them to become site leaders. The programs also serve to retain top talent by defining personalized development paths, and they attract new talent by differentiating XPO as an employer.

XPO University. Our learning and development platform encompasses online and in-person programs, including JumpStart onboarding, management training and skills development. In 2020, approximately 2.8 million training hours were completed by our employees worldwide.

#### Expansive Total Rewards

We appreciate that our employees choose to work for XPO from among the many different options available to them inside and outside our industry. We offer a total compensation package that is both competitive and progressive to help attract and retain outstanding talent.

Competitive Wages: In 2020, we continued to provide regular wage increases to almost 22,000 hourly field-based employees in North America across our LTL and logistics businesses, maintaining our strong competitive positioning in the market.

Comprehensive Benefits: We offer a comprehensive suite of benefits to all our employees, many of which reflect employee feedback. In the U.S., examples include our pregnancy care policy, family bonding policy, tuition reimbursement program for continuing education, tuition-free commercial driver training and additional benefits such as diabetes management, supplemental insurance and short-term loans. In Europe, the benefits offered vary by country, tailored to the needs of the local markets. Examples include comprehensive healthcare and risk insurances, employee assistance programs covering mental, physical and financial wellbeing, commercial driver training, vocational coaching and training and a full flexible benefits program in the U.K.

#### Community Involvement

In 2020, there were hundreds of examples of our company and employees giving back, including our support of the Susan G. Komen Foundation, Soles4Souls, Girls With Impact, the Make-A-Wish Foundation, United in Giving (UK), and the FESBAL (Spain) and FareShare (UK) food charities.

#### **Information about our Executive Officers**

The following information relates to each of our executive officers:

Name	Age	Position
Brad Jacobs	64	Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer
Troy Cooper	51	President
Mario Harik	40	Chief Information Officer
David Wyshner	53	Chief Financial Officer

**Brad Jacobs** has served as XPO's chairman of the Board of Directors and chief executive officer since September 2011. He is also the managing member of Jacobs Private Equity, LLC, which is XPO's largest stockholder. Mr. Jacobs led two other public companies prior to XPO: United Rentals, Inc., which he founded in 1997, and United Waste Systems, Inc., which he founded in 1989. Mr. Jacobs served as chairman of United Rentals from 1997 to 2007, and as chief executive officer from 1997 to 2003. He served as chairman and chief executive officer of United Waste Systems from 1989 to 1997.

**Troy Cooper** has served as XPO's president since April 2018, after formerly serving as XPO's chief operating officer from 2014 to 2018. From September 2015 to September 2017, he also served as chief executive officer and chairman of XPO Logistics Europe. Mr. Cooper joined XPO in September 2011 as vice president of finance. Prior to XPO, he served as vice president and group controller with United Rentals, Inc., where he was responsible for field finance functions and helped to integrate over 200 acquisitions in the U.S., Canada and Mexico. Earlier, he held controller positions with United Waste Systems, Inc. and OSI Specialties, Inc. (formerly a division of Union Carbide, Inc.). Mr. Cooper began his career in public accounting with Arthur Andersen and Co. and holds a degree in accounting from Marietta College.

Mario Harik has served as XPO's chief information officer since November 2011. Mr. Harik has built comprehensive technology organizations, overseen the implementation of extensive proprietary platforms, and consulted to Fortune 100 companies. His prior positions include chief information officer and senior vice president of research and development with Oakleaf Waste Management; chief technology officer with Tallan, Inc.; cofounder of G3 Analyst, where he served as chief architect of web and voice applications; and architect and consultant with Adea Solutions. Mr. Harik holds a master's degree in engineering, information technology from Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and a degree in engineering - computer and communications from the American University of Beirut, Lebanon.

**David Wyshner** has served as XPO's chief financial officer since March 2020. Prior to XPO, Mr. Wyshner served as chief financial officer of Wyndham Hotels & Resorts, Inc. from May 2018 to December 2019, and as its senior advisor from December 2019 to March 2020. He served as executive vice president and chief financial officer of Wyndham Worldwide Corporation, from which Wyndham Hotels was spun-off, from August 2017 to May 2018. Earlier, Mr. Wyshner served as chief financial officer of Avis Budget Group from August 2006 to June 2017 and as Avis Budget Group's president from January 2016 to June 2017. Mr. Wyshner received his bachelor's degree from Yale University and his M.B.A. degree from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania.

#### **Available Information**

Our corporate website is <a href="www.xpo.com">www.xpo.com</a>. On this website, you can access, free of charge, our reports on Forms 10-K, 10-Q and 8-K, as well as specialized disclosure reports on Form SD, Proxy Statements on Schedule 14A and amendments to these materials. Materials are available online as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically submit them to the SEC. You can also access materials regarding our corporate governance policies and practices, including our Corporate Governance Guidelines, Code of Business Ethics and the charters relating to the committees of our Board of Directors. You also may request a printed copy of these materials without charge by writing to: Investor Relations, XPO Logistics, Inc., Five American Lane, Greenwich, Connecticut 06831.

#### ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

The following are important factors that could affect our financial performance and could cause actual results for future periods to differ materially from our anticipated results or other expectations, including those expressed in any forward-looking statements made in this Annual Report on Form 10-K or our other filings with the SEC or in oral presentations such as telephone conferences and webcasts open to the public. You should carefully consider the following factors in conjunction with "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in Item 7 and our Consolidated Financial Statements and related Notes in Item 8.

#### COMPANY RISK

### Risks related to our business model and the COVID-19 pandemic

Economic recessions and other factors that reduce freight volumes, both in North America and Europe, could have a material adverse impact on our business.

The transportation industry in North America and Europe historically has experienced cyclical fluctuations in financial results due to economic recessions, downturns in the business cycles of our customers, increases in the prices charged by third-party carriers, interest rate fluctuations, changes in international trade policies and other U.S. and global economic factors beyond our control. During economic downturns, a reduction in overall demand for transportation services will likely reduce demand for our services and exert downward pressures on our rates and margins. In addition, in periods of strong economic growth, overall demand may exceed the available supply of transportation resources, resulting in increased network congestion and operating inefficiencies. Additional changes in international trade policies could significantly reduce the volume of goods transported globally and adversely affect our business and results of operations. These factors subject our business to various risks that may have a material impact on our operating results and future prospects. These risks may include the following:

- A reduction in overall freight volume reduces our opportunities for growth. In addition, if a downturn in
  our customers' business causes a reduction in the volume of freight shipped by those customers, our
  operating results could be adversely affected;
- Some of our customers may experience financial distress, file for bankruptcy protection, go out of business, or suffer disruptions in their business and may be unable to pay us. In addition, some customers may not pay us as quickly as they have in the past, causing our working capital needs to increase;
- The U.S. government has made significant changes in U.S. trade policy and has taken certain actions that have negatively impacted U.S. trade, including imposing tariffs on certain goods imported into the U.S. To date, several governments, including the European Union ("EU") have imposed tariffs on certain goods imported from the U.S. These actions may contribute to weakness in the global economy that could adversely affect our results of operations. Any further changes in U.S. or international trade policy could trigger additional retaliatory actions by affected countries, resulting in "trade wars" and further increased costs for goods transported globally, which may reduce customer demand for these products if the parties having to pay those tariffs increase their prices, or in trading partners limiting their trade with countries that impose anti-trade measures. Such conditions could have an adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition, as well as on the price of our common stock;
- A significant number of our transportation providers may go out of business and we may be unable to secure sufficient equipment capacity or services to meet our commitments to our customers; and
- We may not be able to appropriately adjust our expenses to rapid changes in market demand. In order to maintain high variability in our business model, it is necessary to adjust staffing levels when market demand changes. In periods of rapid change, it is more difficult to match our staffing levels to our business needs. In addition, we have other expenses that are primarily variable but are fixed for a period of time, as well as certain significant fixed expenses; we may be unable to adequately adjust these expenses to match a rapid change in demand.

# The COVID-19 pandemic could have a material adverse effect on our business operations, results of operations, cash flows and financial position

We are closely monitoring the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on all aspects of our business and geographies, including how it will impact our employees, customers and business partners. The COVID-19 pandemic has created significant volatility, uncertainty and economic disruption, which will adversely affect our business operations and may materially and adversely affect our results of operations, cash flows and financial position.

We experienced declines in demand for our services that began in the first quarter of 2020, had a substantial impact in the second quarter of 2020, and abated throughout the second half of 2020. These declines in demand meaningfully affected our results in both North America and Europe. We also incurred additional costs to meet the needs of our customers and employees. We expect to continue to incur additional costs, which may be significant, as we implement operational changes in response to the pandemic. An extended period of remote work arrangements could strain our business continuity plans, introduce operational risk, including but not limited to cybersecurity risks, and impair our ability to manage our business.

The impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic may remain prevalent for a significant period of time and may continue to adversely affect our business, results of operations and financial condition even after the COVID-19 outbreak has subsided. The extent to which the COVID-19 pandemic impacts us will depend on numerous evolving factors and future developments that we are not able to predict. Due to the largely unprecedented and evolving nature of the COVID-19 pandemic, it remains very difficult to predict the extent of the impact on our industry generally and our business in particular. Furthermore, the extent and pace of a recovery remains uncertain and may differ significantly among the countries in which we operate. As a result, the pandemic could have a material impact on our results of operations and heighten many of our other known risks described in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

### Risks related to Our Strategy, Operations, Legal and Compliance and Finance

Our profitability may be materially adversely impacted if our investments in equipment, service centers and warehouses do not match customer demand for these resources or if there is a decline in the availability of funding sources for these investments.

Our LTL and full truckload operations require significant investments in equipment and freight service centers. The amount and timing of our capital investments depend on various factors, including anticipated freight volume levels and the price and availability of appropriate property for service centers and newly manufactured tractors. If our anticipated requirements for service centers or fleet differ materially from actual usage, our capital-intensive operations, specifically LTL and full truckload, may have more or less capacity than is optimal.

Our logistics operations can require a significant commitment of capital in the form of shelving, racking and other warehousing systems that may be required to deliver warehouse-management services to our customers. To the extent that a customer defaults on its obligations under its agreement with us, we could be forced to take a significant loss on the unrecovered portion of this capital cost.

Our investments in equipment and service centers depend on our ability to generate cash flow from operations and our access to credit, debt and equity capital markets. A decline in the availability of these funding sources could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

# Failure to successfully implement our cost and revenue initiatives could cause our future financial results to suffer.

We are implementing various cost and revenue initiatives to further increase our profitability, including advanced pricing analytics and revenue management tools, our digital freight platform, our shared distribution network, cross-selling to strategic accounts, LTL process improvements, logistics automation, workforce productivity, European margin expansion, global procurement and further back-office optimization. If we are not able to successfully implement these cost and revenue initiatives, our future financial results may suffer.

Our past acquisitions, as well as any acquisitions that we may complete in the future, may be unsuccessful or result in other risks or developments that adversely affect our financial condition and results.

While we intend for our acquisitions to enhance our competitiveness and profitability, we cannot be certain that our past or future acquisitions will be accretive to earnings or otherwise meet our operational or strategic expectations. Special risks, including accounting, regulatory, compliance, information technology or human resources issues, may arise in connection with, or as a result of, the acquisition of an existing company, including the assumption of unanticipated liabilities and contingencies, difficulties in integrating acquired businesses, possible management distractions, or the inability of the acquired business to achieve the levels of revenue, profit, productivity or synergies we anticipate or otherwise perform as we expect on the timeline contemplated. We are unable to predict all of the risks that could arise as a result of our acquisitions.

In addition, if the performance of our reporting segments or an acquired business varies from our projections or assumptions, or if estimates about the future profitability of our reporting segments or an acquired business change, our revenues, earnings or other aspects of our financial condition could be adversely affected.

### We may not successfully manage our growth.

We have grown rapidly and substantially over prior years, including by expanding our internal resources, making acquisitions and entering into new markets, and we intend to continue to focus on growth in our transportation and logistics businesses, including organic growth through new customer wins and increased business with existing customers, as well as additional acquisitions. We may experience difficulties and higher-than-expected expenses in executing this strategy as a result of unfamiliarity with new markets, changes in revenue and business models, entry into new geographic areas and increased pressure on our existing infrastructure and information technology systems from multiple customer project implementations.

Our growth may place a significant strain on our management, operational, financial and information technology resources. We seek to continually improve existing procedures and controls, as well as implement new transaction processing, operational and financial systems, and procedures and controls to expand, train and manage our employee base. Our working capital needs may continue to increase as our operations grow. Failure to manage our growth effectively, or obtain necessary working capital, could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, cash flows and financial condition.

We may sell or spin-off one or more of our business units, which may have an adverse effect on our remaining businesses and the market price of our common stock, including because we may become a smaller, less diversified company than we are today.

We may sell or spin-off one or more of our business units and any such transaction or transactions may have an adverse effect on our remaining businesses and the market price of our common stock. For example, a sale or spin-off of one or more of our business units will result in us being a smaller, less diversified company with a more concentrated area of focus. Following a potential sale or spin-off, we will be reliant on our remaining business units. As a result, we may become more vulnerable to changing market conditions, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. The diversification of our revenues, costs and cash flows will diminish as a result of a sale or spin-off, such that our results of operations, cash flows, working capital, effective tax rate and financing requirements may be subject to increased volatility and our ability to fund capital expenditures, investments and service our debt may be diminished. We may also incur ongoing costs and retain certain liabilities that were previously allocated to entities that were sold or spun off. Those costs may exceed our estimates or could diminish the benefits we expect to realize.

Issues related to the intellectual property rights on which our business depends, whether related to our failure to enforce our own rights or infringement claims brought by others, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We use both internally developed and purchased technologies in conducting our business. Whether internally developed or purchased, it is possible that users of these technologies could be claimed to infringe upon or violate the intellectual property rights of third parties. In the event that a claim is made against us by a third party for the

infringement of intellectual property rights, a settlement or adverse judgment against us could result in increased costs to license the technology or a legal prohibition against our using the technology. Thus, our failure to obtain, maintain or enforce our intellectual property rights could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We rely on a combination of intellectual property rights, including patents, copyrights, trademarks, domain names, trade secrets, intellectual property licenses and other contractual rights, to protect our intellectual property and technology. Any of our owned or licensed intellectual property rights could be challenged, invalidated, circumvented, infringed or misappropriated; our trade secrets and other confidential information could be disclosed in an unauthorized manner to third parties; or we may fail to secure the rights to intellectual property developed by our employees, contractors and others. Efforts to enforce our intellectual property rights may be time-consuming and costly, distract management's attention and our resources, and ultimately be unsuccessful. Moreover, should we fail to develop and properly manage future intellectual property, this could adversely affect our market positions and business opportunities.

# Our overseas operations are subject to various operational and financial risks that could adversely affect our business.

The services we provide outside the U.S. are subject to risks resulting from changes in tariffs, trade restrictions, trade agreements, tax policies, difficulties in managing or overseeing foreign operations and agents, different liability standards, issues related to compliance with anti-corruption laws, such as the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and the U.K. Bribery Act, data protection, trade compliance, and intellectual property laws of countries that do not protect our rights relating to our intellectual property, including our proprietary information systems, to the same extent as do U.S. laws. The occurrence or consequences of any of these factors may restrict our ability to operate in the affected region or decrease the profitability of our operations in that region. In addition, as we expand our business in foreign countries, we will be exposed to increased risk of loss from foreign currency fluctuations and exchange controls.

# We are exposed to currency exchange rate fluctuations because a significant proportion of our assets, liabilities and earnings are denominated in foreign currencies.

We present our financial statements in U.S. dollars, but we have a significant proportion of our net assets and income in non-U.S. dollar currencies, primarily the euro and British pound sterling. Consequently, a depreciation of non-U.S. dollar currencies relative to the U.S. dollar could have an adverse impact on our financial results as further discussed in Item 7A, "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk."

# We do not own, and may not acquire, all of the outstanding shares of XPO Logistics Europe SA, the majority-owned subsidiary through which we conduct our European operations.

As of December 31, 2020, we owned approximately 97% of the outstanding shares of XPO Logistics Europe SA, the majority-owned subsidiary through which we conduct our European operations. We may or may not acquire the remaining shares of XPO Logistics Europe, or we may choose to enact a "squeeze out" merger, which is permitted under French law when a holder owns more than 95% of outstanding shares. As long as we do not wholly own XPO Logistics Europe, we do not have access to all of its cash flow to service our debt, as we will receive a prorated portion of any dividend based on our ownership percentage. In addition, we will be subject to limitations on our ability to enter into transactions with XPO Logistics Europe that are not on arms-length terms, which could limit synergies that we could otherwise achieve between our North American and European operations. Moreover, so long as XPO Logistics Europe continues to be a listed public company in France, we will incur certain recurring costs associated with that public listing.

# Volatility in fuel prices impacts our fuel surcharge revenue and may impact our profitability.

We are subject to risks associated with the availability and price of fuel, all of which are subject to political, economic and market factors that are outside of our control.

Fuel expense constitutes one of the greatest costs to our LTL and full truckload carrier operations, as well as to the independent contractor drivers and third-party transportation providers who transport freight arranged by our other operations. Accordingly, we may be adversely affected by the timing and degree of fuel price fluctuations. As is customary in our industry, most of our customer contracts include fuel surcharge programs or other cost-recovery mechanisms to mitigate the effect of any fuel price increases over base amounts established in the contract. However, these mechanisms may not fully capture an increase in fuel price. Furthermore, market pressures may limit our ability to assess fuel surcharges in the future. The extent to which we are able to recover increases in fuel costs may be impacted by the amount of empty or out-of-route truck miles or engine idling time.

Decreases in fuel prices reduce the cost of transportation services and accordingly, will reduce our revenues and may reduce margins for certain lines of business. Significant changes in the price or availability of fuel in future periods, or significant changes in our ability to mitigate fuel price increases through the use of fuel surcharges, could have a material adverse impact on our operations, fleet capacity and ability to generate both revenues and profits.

Extreme or unusual weather conditions whether due to climate change or otherwise, can disrupt our operations, impact freight volumes, and increase our costs, all of which could have a material adverse effect on our business results.

Our business depends, in part, on predictable temperate weather patterns. Certain seasonal weather conditions and isolated weather events can disrupt our operations. We frequently incur costs related to snow and ice removal, towing and other maintenance activities during winter months. At least some of our operations are constantly at risk of extreme adverse weather conditions. Any unusual or prolonged adverse weather patterns in our areas of operations or markets, whether due to climate change or otherwise, can temporarily impact freight volumes and increase our costs.

# Risks related to the Proposed Spin-Off of Our Logistics Segment

The proposed spin-off of our logistics segment into a stand-alone, publicly-traded company is subject to the final approval of our Board of Directors, contingent upon the satisfaction of a number of conditions, may not be completed on the currently contemplated timeline, or at all, and may not achieve the intended benefits.

In December 2020, we announced our intention to separate our logistics segment into a stand-alone, publicly-traded company ("SpinCo"). The proposed separation is currently expected to be effected through a pro-rata distribution to our shareholders of all of the issued and outstanding shares of common stock of SpinCo. Completion of the proposed spin-off is subject to the final approval of our Board of Directors and the satisfaction of various customary conditions, including, among others, the receipt and the continuing validity of an opinion from outside counsel regarding the qualification of the spin-off (together with certain related transactions) as a "reorganization" within the meaning of Sections 355 and 368(a)(1)(D) of the Internal Revenue Code, the effectiveness of a Form 10 registration statement that we intend to file with the SEC, the receipt by us of certain proceeds from financing arrangements that SpinCo intends to enter into in connection with the spin-off, the refinancing, if necessary, of our debt on terms satisfactory to our Board of Directors, the New York Stock Exchange having approved for listing (subject to official notice of distribution) the shares of common stock of SpinCo that we intend to distribute to our shareholders, and no other event or development existing or having occurred that, in the judgment of our Board of Directors, in its sole and absolute discretion, makes it inadvisable to effect the spin-off or related transactions. The proposed spin-off is complex in nature, and unanticipated developments or changes, including changes in the law, the macroeconomic environment, competitive conditions of our markets, regulatory approvals or clearances, the uncertainty of the financial markets, and challenges in executing the separation, could delay or prevent the completion of the proposed spin-off, or cause the spin-off to occur on terms or conditions that are different or less favorable than expected, including, without limitation, the failure of the spin-off to qualify as a transaction that is generally tax-free for U.S. federal income tax purposes to our shareholders.

Whether or not we complete the spin-off, our ongoing businesses may face material challenges in connection with the proposed spin-off, including, without limitation:

• the diversion of our management's attention from operating and growing our business as a result of the significant amount of our management's time and effort required to execute the proposed spin-off;

- foreseen and unforeseen costs and expenses that will be incurred in connection with the proposed spin-off, including accounting, tax, legal and other professional services costs as well as recruiting costs associated with hiring key senior management and personnel new to SpinCo;
- retaining existing business and operational relationships, including with customers, suppliers and employees, as well as cultivating new business relationships; and
- potential negative reactions from the financial markets if we fail to complete the spin-off as currently expected, within the anticipated time frame or at all.

Additionally, volatility in the world financial markets could increase borrowing costs or affect our ability to access the capital markets. Our ability to issue debt or enter into other financing arrangements on acceptable terms could be adversely affected if there is a material decline in the demand for our products or in the solvency of our customers or suppliers or if there are other significantly unfavorable changes in economic conditions. These conditions may adversely affect our anticipated timeline to complete the spin-off and the expected benefits of the spin-off, including by increasing the time and expense involved in the spin-off. Other challenges associated with effectively executing the spin-off include attracting, retaining and motivating key management and employees during the pendency of the spin-off and following its completion; addressing any disruptions to our supply chain, manufacturing, sales and distribution, and other operations resulting from separating XPO into two independent companies; and separating XPO's information systems.

Any of these factors could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, cash flows and/or the price of our common stock. Furthermore, if the spin-off is completed, we cannot provide assurance that the spin-off will achieve the full strategic and financial benefits expected to result from the separation, nor can we provide assurance that each stand-alone company will be successful in meeting its objectives.

# If the spin-off occurs, our financial and operational profile will change, and we will be a smaller, less diversified company than we are today.

A spin-off of our Logistics segment will result in us being a smaller, less diversified company with a more concentrated area of focus. Following the proposed spin-off, we will be reliant on our remaining business units. As a result, we may become more vulnerable to changing market conditions and competitive pressures, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. The diversification of our revenues, costs and cash flows will diminish as a result of a spin-off, such that our results of operations, cash flows, working capital, effective tax rate and financing requirements may be subject to increased volatility and our ability to fund capital expenditures, investments and service our debt may be diminished. We may also incur ongoing costs and retain certain liabilities that were previously allocated to entities that were spun off. Those costs may exceed our estimates or could diminish the benefits we expect to realize. There can be no assurance that the combined value of the common stock of the two publicly traded companies following the completion of the proposed spin-off will be equal to or greater than what the value of our common stock would have been had the spin-off not occurred.

If the spin-off, together with certain related transactions, does not qualify as a transaction that is generally tax-free for U.S. federal income tax purposes, XPO and XPO stockholders could be subject to significant tax liabilities. In addition, if certain internal restructuring transactions were to fail to qualify as transactions that are generally tax-free for U.S. federal or non-U.S. income tax purposes, we could be subject to significant tax liabilities.

It is a condition to the spin-off that we receive an opinion of outside counsel regarding the qualification of the spin-off, together with certain related transactions, as a "reorganization" within the meaning of Sections 355 and 368(a)(1)(D) of the Internal Revenue Code. The opinion of counsel will be based upon and rely on, among other things, various facts and assumptions, as well as certain representations, statements and undertakings of XPO and SpinCo, including those relating to the past and future conduct of XPO and SpinCo. If any of these facts, assumptions, representations, statements or undertakings is, or becomes, inaccurate or incomplete, or if XPO or SpinCo breaches any of its representations or covenants contained in the separation agreement and certain other agreements and documents or in any documents relating to the opinion of counsel, the opinion of counsel may be invalid, and the conclusions reached therein could be jeopardized.

Notwithstanding receipt of the opinion of counsel, the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS") could determine that the spin-off and/or certain related transactions should be treated as taxable transactions for U.S. federal income tax purposes if it determines that any of the representations, assumptions or undertakings upon which the opinion of counsel was based are false or have been violated. In addition, the opinion of counsel will represent the judgment of such counsel and will not be binding on the IRS or any court, and the IRS or a court may disagree with the conclusions in the opinion of counsel. Accordingly, notwithstanding receipt of the opinion of counsel, there can be no assurance that the IRS will not assert that the spin-off and/or certain related transactions do not qualify for tax-free treatment for U.S. federal income tax purposes or that a court would not sustain such a challenge. In the event the IRS were to prevail with such challenge, XPO and XPO stockholders could be subject to significant U.S. federal income tax liability.

If the spin-off, together with certain related transactions, were to fail to qualify as a transaction that is generally tax-free for U.S. federal income tax purposes under Sections 355 and 368(a)(1)(D) of the Code, in general, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, XPO would recognize taxable gain as if it had sold the SpinCo common stock in a taxable sale for its fair market value (unless XPO and SpinCo jointly make an election under Section 336(e) of the Code with respect to the spin-off, in which case, in general, (a) XPO would recognize taxable gain as if SpinCo had sold all of its assets in a taxable sale in exchange for an amount equal to the fair market value of SpinCo common stock and the assumption of all its liabilities and (b) SpinCo would obtain a related step-up in the basis of its assets), and XPO stockholders who receive such SpinCo shares in the spin-off would be subject to tax as if they had received a taxable distribution equal to the fair market value of such shares.

## Risks related to Our Use of Technology

Our business will be seriously harmed if we fail to develop, implement, maintain, upgrade, enhance, protect and integrate our information technology systems, including those systems of any businesses that we acquire.

We rely heavily on our information technology systems in managing our business; they are a key component of our customer-facing services and internal growth strategy. In general, we expect our customers to continue to demand more sophisticated, fully integrated technology from their transportation and logistics providers. To keep pace with changing technologies and customer demands, we must correctly address market trends and enhance the features and functionality of our proprietary technology platform in response to these trends. This process of continuous enhancement may lead to significant ongoing software development costs, which will continue to increase if we pursue new acquisitions of companies and their current systems. In addition, we may fail to accurately determine the needs of our customers or trends in the transportation and logistics industries, or we may fail to respond appropriately by implementing functionality for our technology platform in a timely or cost-effective manner. Any such failures could result in decreased demand for our services and a corresponding decrease in our revenues.

We must ensure that our information technology systems remain competitive. If our information technology systems are unable to manage high volumes with reliability, accuracy and speed as we grow, or if such systems are not suited to manage the various services we offer, our service levels and operating efficiency could decline. In addition, if we fail to hire and retain qualified personnel to implement, protect and maintain our information technology systems, or if we fail to enhance our systems to meet our customers' needs, our results of operations could be seriously harmed. This could result in a loss of customers or a decline in the volume of freight we receive from customers.

We are developing proprietary information technology for both of our business segments. Our technology may not be successful or may not achieve the desired results and we may require additional training or different personnel to successfully implement this technology. Our technology development process may be subject to cost overruns or delays in obtaining the expected results, which may result in disruptions to our operations.

# A failure of our information technology infrastructure or a breach of our information security systems, networks or processes may materially adversely affect our business.

The efficient operation of our business depends on our information technology systems. We rely on our information technology systems to effectively manage our sales and marketing, financial, legal and compliance functions, engineering and product development tasks, research and development data, communications, logistics order entry and fulfillment and other business processes. We also rely on third parties and virtualized infrastructure to operate

our information technology systems. Despite significant testing, external and internal risks, such as malware, insecure coding, "Acts of God," data leakage and human error, pose a direct threat to the stability or effectiveness of our information technology systems and operations. The failure of our information technology systems to perform as we anticipate has in the past, and could in the future, adversely affect our business through transaction errors, billing and invoicing errors, internal recordkeeping and reporting errors, processing inefficiencies and loss of sales, receivables collection or customers. Any such failure could result in harm to our reputation and have an ongoing adverse impact on our business, results of operations and financial condition, including after the underlying failures have been remedied.

We may also be subject to cybersecurity attacks and other intentional hacking. Any failure to identify and address such defects or errors or prevent a cyber-attack could result in service interruptions, operational difficulties, loss of revenues or market share, liability to our customers or others, the diversion of corporate resources, injury to our reputation or increased service and maintenance costs. Addressing such issues could prove to be impossible or very costly and responding to the resulting claims or liability could similarly involve substantial cost. In addition, recently, regulatory and enforcement focus on data protection has heightened in the U.S. and abroad, particularly in the EU, and failure to comply with applicable U.S. or foreign data protection regulations or other data protection standards may expose us to litigation, fines, sanctions or other penalties, which could harm our business, reputation, results of operations and financial condition.

# Risks related to Our Credit and Liquidity

### Our substantial indebtedness could adversely affect our financial condition.

We have substantial outstanding indebtedness, which could: negatively affect our ability to pay principal and interest on our debt; increase our vulnerability to general adverse economic and industry conditions; limit our ability to fund future capital expenditures and working capital, to engage in future acquisitions or development activities, or to otherwise realize the value of our assets and opportunities fully because of the need to dedicate a substantial portion of our cash flow to payments of interest and principal or to comply with any restrictive terms of our debt; limit our flexibility in planning for, or reacting to, changes in our business and the industry in which we operate; impair our ability to obtain additional financing or to refinance our indebtedness in the future; and place us at a competitive disadvantage compared to our competitors that may have proportionately less debt.

Our inability to generate sufficient cash flows to satisfy our debt obligations, or to refinance our indebtedness on commercially reasonable terms or at all, could materially and adversely affect our financial position and results of operations. Further, failure to comply with the covenants under our indebtedness may have a material adverse impact on our operations. If we fail to comply with any of the covenants under our indebtedness, and are unable to obtain a waiver or amendment, such failure may result in an event of default under our indebtedness. We may not have sufficient liquidity to repay or refinance our indebtedness if such indebtedness were accelerated upon an event of default.

Under the terms of our outstanding indebtedness, we may not be able to incur substantial additional indebtedness in the future, which could further exacerbate the risks described above.

# The execution of our strategy could depend on our ability to raise capital in the future, and our inability to do so could prevent us from achieving our growth objectives.

We may in the future be required to raise capital through public or private financing or other arrangements in order to pursue our growth strategy or operate our businesses. Such financing may not be available on acceptable terms, or at all, and our failure to raise capital when needed could harm our business and/or our ability to execute our strategy. Further debt financing may involve restrictive covenants and could reduce our profitability. If we cannot raise funds on acceptable terms, we may not be able to grow our business or respond to competitive pressures.

## We may be adversely affected by interest rate changes because of our floating rate credit facilities.

The Second Amended and Restated Revolving Loan Credit Agreement, as amended (the "ABL Facility") and the senior secured term loan credit agreement, as amended (the "Term Loan Facility"), provide for an interest rate based

on London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR") or a Base Rate, as defined in the agreements, plus an applicable margin. Our European trade receivables securitization program (the "Receivables Securitization Program") provides for an interest rate at lenders' cost of funds plus an applicable margin. Our financial position may be affected by fluctuations in interest rates since the ABL Facility, Term Loan Facility and Receivables Securitization Program are subject to floating interest rates. Refer to Item 7A, "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk" for the impact on interest expense of a hypothetical 100 basis point increase in the interest rate. Interest rates are highly sensitive to many factors, including governmental monetary policies, domestic and international economic and political conditions and other factors beyond our control. A significant increase in interest rates could have an adverse effect on our financial position and results of operations. Additionally, the interest rates on some of our debt is tied to LIBOR. In July 2017, the head of the U.K.'s Financial Conduct Authority announced its intention to phase out the use of LIBOR by the end of 2021. The uncertainty regarding the future of LIBOR, as well as the transition from LIBOR to another benchmark rate or rates, could have adverse impacts on our outstanding debt that currently uses LIBOR as a benchmark rate, and ultimately, adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

## Risks related to Third-Party Relationships

## We depend on third parties in the operation of our business.

In our freight brokerage, last mile and global forwarding operations, we do not own or control the transportation assets that deliver our customers' freight, and we do not employ the people directly involved in delivering this freight. In addition, in our freight brokerage businesses and in our last mile business, we engage independent contractors who own and operate their own equipment. Accordingly, we are dependent on third parties to provide truck, rail, ocean, air and other transportation services and to report certain events to us, including delivery information and cargo claims. This reliance on third parties could cause delays in reporting certain events, impacting our ability to recognize revenue and claims in a timely manner.

Our inability to maintain positive relationships with independent transportation providers could significantly limit our ability to serve our customers on competitive terms. If we are unable to secure sufficient equipment or other transportation services to meet our commitments to our customers or provide our services on competitive terms, our operating results could be materially and adversely affected, and our customers could shift their business to our competitors temporarily or permanently. Our ability to secure sufficient equipment or other transportation services to meet our commitments to customers or provide our services on competitive terms is subject to inherent risks, many of which are beyond our control, including: equipment shortages in the transportation industry, particularly among contracted truckload carriers and railroads; driver shortages in the transportation industry and/or resulting increases in the cost of procuring transportation services; interruptions or stoppages in transportation services as a result of labor disputes, seaport strikes, network congestion, weather-related issues, "Acts of God" or acts of terrorism; changes in regulations impacting transportation; increases in operating expenses for carriers, such as fuel costs, insurance premiums and licensing expenses, that result in a reduction in available carriers; and changes in transportation rates.

In addition, our European business heavily relies on subcontracting and we use a large number of temporary employees in these operations. As a result, we are exposed to various risks related to managing our subcontractors, such as the risk that they do not fulfill their assignments in a satisfactory manner or within the specified deadlines. Moreover, we cannot guarantee that temporary employees are as well-trained as our other employees. Specifically, we may be exposed to the risk that temporary employees may not perform their assignments in a satisfactory manner or may not comply with our safety rules in an appropriate manner, whether as a result of their lack of experience or otherwise. Such failures could compromise our ability to fulfill our commitments to our customers, comply with applicable regulations or otherwise meet our customers' expectations. Such failures could also harm our reputation and ability to win new business and could lead to our being liable for contractual damages. Furthermore, in the event of a failure by our subcontractors or temporary employees to fulfill their assignments in a satisfactory manner, we could be required to perform unplanned work or additional services in line with the contracted service, without receiving any additional compensation. As a result, any failure to properly manage our subcontractors or temporary employees in Europe or elsewhere could have a material adverse impact on our revenues, earnings, financial position and outlook.

# Increases in driver compensation and difficulties with attracting and retaining drivers could adversely affect our revenues and profitability.

Our LTL services in North America and Europe and our full truckload services in Europe are conducted primarily with employee drivers. Our industry has periodically experienced and may, in future, experience intense competition for qualified drivers in the transportation industry due to a shortage of drivers. The availability of qualified drivers may be affected from time to time by changing workforce demographics, competition from other transportation companies and industries for employees, the availability and affordability of driver training schools, changing industry regulations, and the demand for drivers in the labor market. If the current industry-wide shortage of qualified drivers continues, our global LTL operations and our European truckload operation could experience difficulty in attracting and retaining enough qualified drivers to fully satisfy customer demand. During periods of increased competition in the labor market for drivers, our LTL and full truckload operations may be required to increase driver compensation and benefits in the future or face difficulty meeting customer demand, all of which could adversely affect our profitability. Additionally, a shortage of drivers could result in the underutilization of our truck fleet, lost revenue, increased costs for purchased transportation or increased costs for driver recruitment.

### Our business may be materially adversely affected by labor disputes.

Our business in the past has been, and in the future could be, adversely affected by strikes and labor negotiations at seaports, labor disputes between railroads and their union employees, or by a work stoppage at one or more railroads or local trucking companies servicing rail or port terminals, including work disruptions involving owner-operators under contract with our local trucking operations. Port shutdowns and similar disruptions to major points in national or international transportation networks, most of which are beyond our control, could result in terminal embargoes, disrupt equipment and freight flows, depress volumes and revenues, increase costs and have other negative effects on our operations and financial results.

Labor disputes involving our customers could affect our operations. If our customers experience plant slowdowns or closures because they are unable to negotiate labor contracts, our revenue and profitability could be negatively impacted. In particular, our Logistics segment derives a substantial portion of its revenue from the operation and management of facilities that are often located in close proximity to a customer's manufacturing plant and are integrated into the customer's production line process. If any of our customers are affected by labor disputes and consequently cease or significantly modify their operations at a plant served by our Logistics segment, we may experience significant revenue loss and shutdown costs, including costs related to early termination of leases, causing our business to suffer.

Our European business activities require a large amount of labor, which represents one of our most significant costs. It is essential that we maintain good relations with employees, trade unions and other staff representative institutions. A deteriorating economic environment may result in tensions in industrial relations, which may lead to industrial action within our European operations; this could have a direct impact on our business operations. Generally, any deterioration in industrial relations in our European operations, such as general strike activities or other material labor disputes, could have an adverse effect on our revenues, earnings, financial position and outlook.

# Efforts by labor organizations to organize employees at certain locations in North America, if successful, may result in increased costs and decreased efficiencies at those locations.

Since 2014, in the U.S., the International Brotherhood of Teamsters ("Teamsters") has attempted to organize employees at several of our LTL and logistics locations, and the International Association of Machinists ("Machinists") has attempted to organize a small number of mechanics at three LTL maintenance shops. In 2018, the United Automobile, Aerospace and Agricultural Implement Workers of America ("UAW") attempted to organize warehouse workers at one logistics location. The majority of our employees involved in these organizing efforts rejected union representation. As of January 1, 2021, our employees had voted in favor of union representation in 10 of the 29 union elections held since 2014, with 684 employees voting in favor and 782 employees voting against representation. In October 2017, a majority of employees at our North Haven, Connecticut logistics location, which had previously voted for Teamsters representation, petitioned us to withdraw recognition of the Teamsters as the employees' representative, and we withdrew this recognition. Similarly, in 2019, a majority of

employees at our LTL locations in Laredo, Texas and Aurora, Illinois, voted to decertify the Teamsters as the employees' representative. In December 2020, employees at our LTL location in Cinnaminson, New Jersey filed a petition with the National Labor Relations Board to decertify the Teamsters as the employees' bargaining representative; the election date is pending. As of December 31, 2020, XPO is engaged in good faith bargaining with the Teamsters at six locations where employees voted in favor of union representation. In May 2020, LTL technicians at our Gary Hammond, Indiana shop ratified a contract negotiated between XPO and the Machinists. Since 2014, the Teamsters have withdrawn seven petitions seeking elections on behalf of approximately 396 LTL employees prior to the election being held, and the Machinists withdrew one petition for an LTL election on behalf of six individuals. We cannot predict with certainty whether further organizing efforts may result in the unionization of any additional locations in the U.S. If successful, these efforts may result in increased costs and decreased efficiencies at the specific locations where representation is elected. We do not expect the impact, if any, to extend to our larger organization or the services provided to our customer base.

#### Risks related to Litigation and Regulations

Certain of our businesses rely on owner-operators and contract carriers to conduct their operations, and the status of these parties as independent contractors, rather than employees, is being challenged.

We are involved in numerous lawsuits, including class action lawsuits, multi-plaintiff and individual lawsuits, and state tax and other administrative proceedings that claim that our contract carriers or owner-operators or their drivers should be treated as our employees, rather than independent contractors, or that certain of our drivers were not paid for all compensable time or were not provided with required meal or rest breaks. These lawsuits and proceedings may seek substantial monetary damages (including claims for unpaid wages, overtime, failure to provide meal and rest periods, unreimbursed business expenses and other items), injunctive relief, or both. In addition, we incur certain costs, including legal fees, in defending the status of these parties as independent contractors.

While we believe that our contract carriers and owner-operators and their drivers are properly classified as independent contractors rather than as employees, adverse final outcomes in these matters could, among other things, entitle certain of our contract carriers and owner-operators and their drivers to reimbursement with respect to certain expenses and to the benefit of wage-and-hour laws and result in employment and withholding tax and benefit liability for us, and could result in changes to the independent contractor status of our contract carriers and owner-operators. Changes to state or federal laws governing the definition of independent contractors could also impact the status of our contract carriers and owner-operators. Adverse final outcomes in these matters or changes to state or federal laws could cause us to change our business model, which could have a material adverse effect on our business strategies, financial condition, results of operations or cash flows. These claims involve potentially significant classes that could involve thousands of claimants and, accordingly, significant potential damages and litigation costs, and could lead others to bring similar claims.

The results of these matters cannot be predicted with certainty and an unfavorable resolution of one or more of these matters could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

# We are involved in multiple lawsuits and are subject to various claims that could result in significant expenditures and impact our operations.

The nature of our business exposes us to the potential for various types of claims and litigation. In addition to the matters described in the risk factor "Certain of our businesses rely on owner-operators and contract carriers to conduct their operations, and the status of these parties as independent contractors, rather than employees, is being challenged," we are subject to claims and litigation related to labor and employment, personal injury, vehicular accidents, cargo and other property damage, business practices, environmental liability and other matters, including with respect to claims asserted under various other theories of agency or employer liability. Claims against us may exceed the amount of insurance coverage that we have or may not be covered by insurance at all. Businesses that we acquire also increase our exposure to litigation. Material increases in the frequency or severity of vehicular accidents, liability claims or workers' compensation claims, or the unfavorable resolution of claims, or our failure to recover, in full or in part, under indemnity provisions with transportation providers, could materially and adversely affect our operating results. Our involvement in the transportation of certain goods, including but not limited to

hazardous materials, could also increase our exposure in the event that we or one of our contracted carriers is involved in an accident resulting in injury or contamination. In addition, significant increases in insurance costs or the inability to purchase insurance as a result of these claims could reduce our profitability.

# An increase in the number or severity of self-insured claims or an increase in insurance premiums could have an adverse effect on us.

We use a combination of self-insurance programs and purchased insurance to provide for the costs of employee medical, vehicular collision and accident, cargo and workers' compensation claims. Our estimated liability for self-retained insurance claims reflects certain actuarial assumptions and judgments, which are subject to a degree of variability. We reserve for anticipated losses and expenses and periodically evaluate and adjust our claims reserves to reflect our experience. Estimating the number and severity of claims, as well as related judgment or settlement amounts, is inherently difficult. This inherent difficulty, along with legal expenses, incurred but not reported claims, and other uncertainties can cause unfavorable differences between actual self-insurance costs and our reserve estimates. Accordingly, our ultimate results may differ from our estimates, which could result in losses over our reserved amounts. We periodically evaluate our level of insurance coverage and adjust insurance levels based on targeted risk tolerance and premium expense. An increase in the number or severity of self-insured claims or an increase in insurance premiums could have an adverse effect on us, while higher self-insured retention levels may increase the impact of loss occurrences on our results of operations.

In addition, the cost of providing benefits under our medical plans is dependent on a variety of factors, including governmental laws and regulations, healthcare cost trends, claims experience and healthcare decisions by plan participants. As a result, we are unable to predict how the cost of providing benefits under medical plans will affect our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

We are currently subject to securities class action litigation and may be subject to similar litigation in the future. Such matters can be expensive, time-consuming and have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

We are currently subject to securities class action litigation alleging violations of securities laws, which could harm our business and require us to incur significant costs. In December 2018, two purported class action lawsuits were filed against us and certain of our officers; these lawsuits alleged that we made false and misleading statements, purported to assert claims for violations of federal securities laws and sought unspecified compensatory damages and other relief. One class action lawsuit has since been voluntarily dismissed. While we believe that we have a number of valid defenses to the claims described above and intend to vigorously defend ourselves in the remaining class action lawsuit, the matter is in the early stages of litigation and no assessment can be made as to the likely outcome of the matter or whether it will be material to us. Also, we may be subject to additional proceedings of this type in the future, which could require significant attention from management or result in significant legal expenses, settlement costs or damage awards, any of which could have a material impact on our financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

# We are subject to risks associated with defined benefit plans for our current and former employees, which could have a material adverse effect on our earnings and financial position.

We maintain defined benefit pension plans and a postretirement medical plan. Our defined benefit pension plans include funded and unfunded plans in the U.S. and the U.K. A decline in interest rates and/or lower returns on funded plan assets may cause increases in the expense and funding requirements for these defined benefit pension plans and for our postretirement medical plan. Despite past amendments that froze our defined benefit pension plans to new participants and curtailed benefits, these pension plans remain subject to volatility associated with interest rates, inflation, returns on plan assets, other actuarial assumptions and statutory funding requirements. In addition to being subject to volatility associated with interest rates, our postretirement medical plan remains subject to volatility associated with actuarial assumptions and trends in healthcare costs. Any of the aforementioned factors could lead to a significant increase in the expense of these plans and a deterioration in the solvency of these plans, which could significantly increase our contribution requirements. As a result, we are unable to predict the effect on our financial statements associated with our defined benefit pension plans and our postretirement medical plan.

### Changes in income tax regulations for U.S. and multinational companies may increase our tax liability.

We are subject to income taxes in the United States and many foreign jurisdictions. Changes to income tax laws and regulations, or the interpretation of such laws, in any of the jurisdictions in which we operate could significantly increase our effective tax rate and ultimately reduce our cash flows from operating activities and otherwise have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows. The U.S. Congress, the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development ("OECD"), the EU and other government agencies in jurisdictions in which we and our affiliates do business have maintained a focus on the taxation of multinational companies. The OECD has recommended changes to numerous long-standing international tax principles through its base erosion and profit shifting ("BEPS") project. In addition, the new U.S. presidential administration has called for changes to fiscal and tax policies, which may include comprehensive tax reform. These and other tax laws and related regulations changes, to the extent adopted, may increase tax uncertainty and/or our effective tax rate, result in higher compliance cost and adversely affect our provision for income taxes, results of operations and/or cash flows.

# We are subject to regulation, which could negatively impact our business.

Our operations are regulated and licensed by various governmental agencies in the U.S. and in foreign countries where we operate. These regulatory agencies have authority and oversight of domestic and international transportation services and related activities, licensure, motor carrier operations, safety and security and other matters. We must comply with various insurance and surety bond requirements to act in the capacities for which we are licensed. Our subsidiaries and independent contractors must also comply with applicable regulations and requirements of various agencies. Through our subsidiaries and operations, we hold various licenses required to carry out our domestic and international services. These licenses permit us to provide services as a motor carrier, property broker, customs broker, indirect air carrier, OTI, NVOCC, freight forwarder, air freight forwarder, and ocean freight forwarder. In addition, we are subject to regulations and requirements promulgated by the DOT, FMCSA, DHS, CBP, TSA, FMC, IATA, Canada Border Services Agency and various other international, domestic, state and local agencies and port authorities.

Certain of our businesses engage in the transportation of hazardous materials, the movement, handling and accidental discharge of which are highly regulated. Our failure to maintain the required licenses, or to comply with applicable regulations, could have a material adverse impact on our business and results of operations. See the "Regulation" section under Item 1 for more information.

Future laws and regulations may be more stringent and may require changes to our operating practices that influence the demand for our services or require us to incur significant additional costs. We are unable to predict the impact that recently enacted and future regulations may have on our business. In particular, it is difficult to predict which, and in what form, FMCSA regulations may be modified or enforced, and what impact these regulations may have on motor carrier operations or on the aggregate number of trucks that provide hauling capacity to XPO. If higher costs are incurred by us as a result of future changes in regulations, or by the independent contractors or third-party transportation providers who pass increased costs on to us, this could adversely affect our results of operations to the extent we are unable to obtain a corresponding increase in price from our customers.

Failure to comply with trade compliance laws and regulations applicable to our operations may subject us to liability and result in mandatory or voluntary disclosures to government agencies of transactions or dealings involving sanctioned countries, entities or individuals.

As a result of our acquisition activities, we acquired companies with business operations outside the U.S., some of which were not previously subject to certain U.S. laws and regulations, including trade sanctions administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control ("OFAC") of the U.S. Department of the Treasury. In the course of implementing our compliance processes with respect to the operations of these acquired companies, we have identified a number of transactions or dealings involving countries and entities that are subject to U.S. economic sanctions. As disclosed in our reports filed with the SEC, we filed initial voluntary disclosure of such matters with OFAC in August 2016. In August 2018, OFAC addressed these matters by responding with a cautionary letter to us. To our knowledge, OFAC is considering no further action in response to the voluntary disclosure filed by us in August 2016. We may, in the future, identify additional transactions or dealings involving sanctioned countries,

entities or individuals. The transactions or dealings that we have identified to date, or other transactions or dealings that we may identify in the future, could result in negative consequences to us, including government investigations, penalties and reputational harm.

#### INDUSTRY RISK

## Risks related to Our Markets, Competition and Brexit

We operate in a highly competitive industry and, if we are unable to adequately address factors that may adversely affect our revenue and costs, our business could suffer.

Competition in the transportation services industry is intense. Increased competition may lead to a reduction in revenues, reduced profit margins, or a loss of market share, any one of which could harm our business. There are many factors that could impair our profitability, including the following:

- Competition from other transportation services companies, some of which offer different services or have a broader coverage network, more fully developed information technology systems and greater capital resources than we do;
- A reduction in the rates charged by our competitors to gain business, especially during times of declining
  economic growth, which may limit our ability to maintain or increase our rates, maintain our operating
  margins or achieve significant growth in our business;
- Shippers soliciting bids from multiple transportation providers for their shipping needs, which may result in the depression of freight rates or loss of business to competitors;
- The establishment by our competitors of cooperative relationships to increase their ability to address shipper needs;
- Decisions by our current or prospective customers to develop or expand internal capabilities for some of the services we provide; and
- The development of new technologies or business models that could result in our disintermediation in certain services we provide.

The withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the European Union may have a negative effect on global economic conditions, financial markets and our operations.

In June 2016, a majority of voters in the U.K. voted in favor of the U.K.'s withdrawal from the EU ("Brexit") in a national referendum. On January 31, 2020, the U.K. withdrew from the EU. The referendum and subsequent withdrawal of the U.K. from the EU have created significant uncertainty about the future relationship between the U.K. and the EU and will have uncertain impacts on our transportation and logistics operations in Europe. In 2020, we derived approximately 13% of our revenue from the U.K. and an aggregate 26% from the rest of the European countries where we operate.

Following Brexit, the movement of goods between the U.K. and the remaining member states of the EU has become subject to additional inspections and documentation checks, which may create delays at ports of entry and departure and potential impacts on our ability to efficiently provide our transportation and logistics services. Moreover, currency volatility could drive a weaker U.K. pound which could result in a decrease in our reported consolidated financial results for the U.K., which are reported in U.S. dollars.

Any adverse consequences of Brexit, such as a deterioration in the U.K.'s or the EU's economic condition, currency exchange rates, bilateral trade agreements or regulatory trade environment, including the potential imposition of tariffs, could reduce demand for our services in the U.K. or the EU, negatively impact the value of our defined benefit pension plans in the U.K., or otherwise have a negative impact on our operations, financial condition and results of operations.

#### INVESTMENT RISK

Our chairman and chief executive officer beneficially owns a large portion of our stock and has substantial control over us, which could limit other stockholders' ability to influence the outcome of key transactions, including changes of control, and any sales of our common stock by Mr. Jacobs (or the perception that such sales may occur) could adversely impact the volume of trading, liquidity and market price of our common stock.

Under applicable SEC rules, our chairman and chief executive officer, Mr. Jacobs, beneficially owned approximately 17.6% of our outstanding common stock as of December 31, 2020. This concentration of share ownership may adversely affect the trading price for our common stock because investors may perceive disadvantages in owning stock in companies with concentrated stockholders. Mr. Jacobs can exert substantial influence over our management and affairs and matters requiring stockholder approval, including the election of directors and the approval of significant corporate transactions, such as mergers, consolidations or the sale of substantially all of our assets. Consequently, this concentration of ownership may have the effect of delaying or preventing a change of control, including a merger, consolidation, or other business combination involving us, or discouraging a potential acquirer from making a tender offer or otherwise attempting to obtain control, even if that change of control would benefit our other stockholders. Additionally, significant fluctuations in the levels of ownership of our largest stockholders and our directors and officers (for example, if such persons decide to sell all or a portion of their shares), including shares beneficially owned by Mr. Jacobs, could adversely impact the volume of trading, liquidity and market price of our common stock.

#### ITEM 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

None.

#### ITEM 2. PROPERTIES

As of December 31, 2020, we operated approximately 1,523 locations, primarily in North America and Europe, including approximately 342 locations owned or leased by our customers. These facilities are located in all 48 contiguous U.S. states, as well as globally.

Segment (Location)	Leased Facilities	Owned Facilities	Customer Facilities (3)	Total
Transportation (North America) (1)	396	121	10	527
Transportation (Europe)	177	16	3	196
Transportation (Other) (2)	7	<del></del>	<u> </u>	7
Logistics (North America)	194	1	141	336
Logistics (Europe)	203	7	173	383
Logistics (Other) (2)	50	_	15	65
Corporate	9			9
Total	1,036	145	342	1,523

- (1) Of our owned facilities, 117 were freight service centers for our LTL business throughout the U.S.
- (2) Locations not in North America or Europe; primarily in Asia.
- (3) Locations owned or leased by customers.

We lease our current executive office located in Greenwich, Connecticut, as well as our national operations center in Charlotte, North Carolina, our shared-services center in Portland, Oregon and various office facilities in France, the U.K. and India to support our global executive and shared-services functions. We believe that our facilities are sufficient for our current needs.

#### ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Intermodal Drayage Classification Claims

Certain of our intermodal drayage subsidiaries are defendants in class action litigations brought by independent contract carriers in California who contracted with these subsidiaries. In these cases, the contract carriers assert that they should be classified as employees, rather than independent contractors. In two related cases pending in federal district court in Los Angeles, Alvarez v. XPO Logistics Cartage, LLC and Arrellano v. XPO Port Services, Inc., the Court has certified classes beginning in April 2016 and March 2013, respectively. Plaintiffs allege that defendants exercised an impermissible degree of control over plaintiffs' operations through the terms of the parties' contracts and defendants' policies, including enforcement of requirements imposed on motor carriers by state and federal law. The particular claims asserted vary from case to case but generally include claims that, should the contract carriers be determined to be employees, they would be entitled to reimbursement for unpaid wages, unpaid overtime, unpaid wages for missed meal and rest periods, reimbursement of certain of the contract carriers' business expenses (including fuel and insurance related costs), Labor Code penalties under California's Private Attorneys General Act, and attorneys' fees and costs associated with bringing the action. Discovery is ongoing in these matters, and defendants continue to mount a vigorous defense on the merits of plaintiffs' claims, including as to the threshold issue of employment classification. Both cases are scheduled for trial in September 2021; however, this date may be impacted or significantly delayed by the effect of the COVID-19 pandemic on Court operations, including the scheduling of jury trials. We anticipate further legal rulings from the Court at or before trial that may substantially affect the scope of the claims asserted. As a result, we are unable at this time to estimate the amount of the possible loss or range of loss, if any, that we may incur as a result of these claims.

## Shareholder Litigation

On December 14, 2018, a putative class action captioned *Labul v. XPO Logistics, Inc. et al.*, was filed in the U.S. District Court for the District of Connecticut against us and some of our current and former executives, alleging violations of Section 10(b) of the Exchange Act and Rule 10b-5 thereunder, and Section 20(a) of the Exchange Act, based on alleged material misstatements and omissions in our public filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. On June 3, 2019, lead plaintiffs Local 817 IBT Pension Fund, Local 272 Labor-Management Pension Fund, and Local 282 Pension Trust Fund and Local 282 Welfare Trust Fund (together, the "Pension Funds") filed a consolidated class action complaint. Defendants moved to dismiss the consolidated class action complaint on August 2, 2019. On November 4, 2019, the court dismissed the consolidated class action complaint without prejudice to the filing of an amended complaint. The Pension Funds, on January 3, 2020, filed a first amended consolidated class action complaint against us and a current executive. Defendants moved to dismiss the first amended consolidated class action complaint on March 3, 2020. Briefing on defendants' motion was completed on June 18, 2020, and the Court heard oral argument on June 30, 2020. The Court has not yet issued a decision on defendants' motion to dismiss.

Also, on May 13, 2019, Adriana Jez filed a purported shareholder derivative action captioned *Jez v. Jacobs, et al.*, ("Jez complaint") in the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware, alleging breaches of fiduciary duty, unjust enrichment, waste of corporate assets, and violations of the Exchange Act against some of our current and former directors and officers, with the company as a nominal defendant. The Jez complaint was later consolidated with similar derivative complaints filed by purported shareholders Erin Candler and Kevin Rose under the caption *In re XPO Logistics, Inc. Derivative Litigation*. On December 12, 2019, the court ordered plaintiffs to designate an operative complaint or file an amended complaint within 45 days. On January 27, 2020, plaintiffs designated the Jez complaint as the operative complaint in the consolidated cases. Defendants moved to dismiss the operative complaint on February 26, 2020. Rather than file a brief in opposition, on March 27, 2020, plaintiffs moved for leave to file a further amended complaint and to stay briefing on defendants' motions to dismiss. The Court granted plaintiffs' motion on July 6, 2020. Defendants have not yet answered or moved against the operative complaint.

We believe these suits are without merit and we intend to defend the company vigorously against the allegations. We are unable at this time to determine the amount of the possible loss or range of loss, if any, that we may incur as a result of these matters.

# ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

Not applicable.

# ITEM 5. MARKET FOR REGISTRANT'S COMMON EQUITY, RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

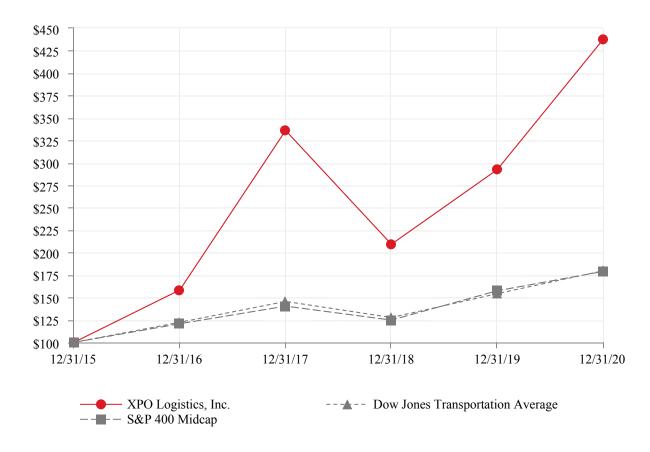
#### Common Stock

Our common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") under the symbol XPO.

As of February 5, 2021, there were approximately 133 record holders of our common stock. We have never paid, and have no immediate plans to pay, cash dividends on our common stock. If the Logistics segment spin-off is completed, it will likely be executed through the payment of a dividend of shares of common stock of the new company to XPO stockholders.

# **Stock Performance Graph**

The graph below compares the cumulative five-year total return of holders of our common stock with the cumulative total returns, including reinvestment of any dividends, of the Dow Jones Transportation Average index and the S&P 400 MidCap index. The graph tracks the performance of a \$100 investment in our common stock and in each index from December 31, 2015 to December 31, 2020.



	1	12/31/15	1	12/31/16	1	2/31/17	1	12/31/18	1	12/31/19	1	12/31/20
XPO Logistics, Inc.	\$	100.00	\$	158.39	\$	336.11	\$	209.32	\$	292.48	\$	437.43
Dow Jones Transportation Average	\$	100.00	\$	122.32	\$	145.59	\$	127.65	\$	154.24	\$	179.72
S&P 400 Midcap	\$	100.00	\$	120.74	\$	140.35	\$	124.80	\$	157.49	\$	179.00

### **Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds**

During the quarter ended December 31, 2020, we issued 19,962 unregistered shares of our common stock as a result of the cashless exercise of warrants by a certain shareholder. The issuance of these shares was exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, in accordance with Section 4(a)(2) thereof, as a transaction by an issuer not involving any public offering.

In December 2020, following approvals by a disinterested special committee of our Board of Directors and the Audit Committee to the extent required by our policy on related party transactions, we entered into separate exchange agreements with certain holders of our preferred stock and warrants, including some of our directors and officers, pursuant to which (i) holders of our preferred stock exchanged their preferred shares for a combination of (x) our common stock, based on the number of shares of common stock into which our preferred stock was then convertible; and (y) a lump-sum cash payment that represented an approximation of the net present value of the future dividends required by the terms of our preferred stock to be paid by us; and (ii) holders of our warrants exchanged their warrants for the number of shares of our common stock that was equal to the number of shares of common stock that such holder would be entitled to receive upon an exercise of the warrants less the number of shares of our common stock that had an approximate value equal to the exercise price of the warrants, based on the formula set forth in the exchange agreements. We issued an aggregate of 266,590 unregistered shares of our common stock in connection with the warrant exchanges, and an aggregate of 9,920,709 unregistered shares of our common stock in connection with the preferred exchanges. We also agreed to issue, subject to the satisfaction of customary closing conditions, an aggregate of 9,071,162 unregistered shares of our common stock as part of these warrant exchanges. The exchange transactions were made to simplify our equity capital structure, including in contemplation of our previously announced plan to pursue a spin-off of our Logistics segment.

The Company also issued unregistered shares of our common stock during the first quarter of 2020 as previously disclosed in its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

#### ITEM 6. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

The following tables set forth our selected historical and quarterly consolidated financial data. This financial data should be read together with our Consolidated Financial Statements and related notes, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, and other financial data appearing elsewhere in this Annual Report.

	As of or For the Years Ended December 31,										
(In millions, except per share data)		2020 (1)		2019		2018		2017		2016 (2)	
<b>Operating Results:</b>											
Revenue	\$	16,252	\$	16,648	\$	17,279	\$	15,381	\$	14,619	
Operating income (3)		391		821		704		582		464	
Income before income taxes		148		569		566		261		107	
Net income <sup>(4)</sup>		117		440		444		360		85	
Net income attributable to common shareholders <sup>(5)</sup>		79		379		390		312		63	
Per Share Data:											
Basic earnings per share	\$	0.87	\$	3.95	\$	3.17	\$	2.72	\$	0.57	
Diluted earnings per share		0.78		3.57		2.88		2.45		0.53	
Financial Position:											
Total assets (6)	\$	16,169	\$	14,128	\$	12,270	\$	12,602	\$	11,698	
Long-term debt, less current portion		5,369		5,182		3,902		4,418		4,732	
Preferred stock (7)		1		41		41		41		42	
Total equity		2,849		2,896		3,970		4,010		3,038	

- (1) Our 2020 results were significantly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- (2) During the fourth quarter of 2016, we divested our North American Truckload operations.
- (3) Operating income for 2017 and 2016 reflects the retrospective effects from the January 1, 2018 adoption of Accounting Standard Update ("ASU") 2017-07, Compensation Retirement Benefits (Topic 715): "Improving the Presentation of Net Periodic Pension Cost and Net Periodic Postretirement Benefit Cost."
- (4) Net income for 2017 included a \$173 million benefit related to the revaluation of our net deferred tax liabilities as a result of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the "Tax Act").
- (5) Net income attributable to common shareholders for the year ended December 31, 2020 reflects a preferred stock conversion charge of \$22 million. See Note 14—Stockholders' Equity to the Consolidated Financial Statements for more information.
- (6) Total assets for 2019 reflects the January 1, 2019 adoption of ASU 2016-02, Leases (Topic 842).
- (7) In December 2020, we entered into agreements with some holders of our preferred stock to facilitate the exchange of their preferred stock holdings into our common stock. See Note 14—Stockholders' Equity to the Consolidated Financial Statements for more information.

Our unaudited results of operations for each of the quarters in the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 are summarized below:

(In millions, except per share data)	First Quarter		Second Quarter		Third Quarter		Fourth Quarter (2) (3) (4)	
2020								
Revenue	\$	3,864	\$	3,502	\$	4,221	\$	4,665
Operating income (loss)		81		(141)		223		228
Net income (loss)		25		(134)		98		128
Net income (loss) attributable to common shareholders (1)		21		(132)		84		93
Basic earnings (loss) per share (1)		0.23		(1.45)		0.93		1.01
Diluted earnings (loss) per share (1)		0.20		(1.45)		0.83		0.91
2019								
Revenue	\$	4,120	\$	4,238	\$	4,154	\$	4,136
Operating income		132		258		229		202
Net income		52		145		136		107
Net income attributable to common shareholders (1)		43		122		117		96
Basic earnings per share (1)		0.40		1.32		1.27		1.04
Diluted earnings per share (1)		0.37		1.19		1.14		0.93

<sup>(1)</sup> The sum of the quarterly Net income attributable to common shareholders and earnings per share may not equal annual amounts due to differences in the weighted-average number of shares outstanding during the respective periods and the impact of the two-class method of calculating earnings per share.

<sup>(2)</sup> The fourth quarter of 2020 included a restructuring charge of \$3 million and gains on sales of property and equipment of \$21 million.

<sup>(3)</sup> The fourth quarter of 2020 included a \$22 million, or \$0.22 per diluted share, preferred stock conversion charge that reduced income attributable to common shareholders for earnings per share purposes, but did not affect net income, associated with the December 2020 conversion of our preferred stock.

<sup>(4)</sup> The fourth quarter of 2019 included a restructuring charge of \$21 million and gains on sales of property and equipment of \$37 million.

# ITEM 7. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

#### Overview

XPO Logistics provides cutting-edge supply chain solutions to the most successful companies in the world. We have two reporting segments: Transportation and Logistics. Our Transportation segment facilitates the movement of raw materials, parts and finished goods. We accomplish this by using our proprietary technology, third-party independent carriers and our transportation assets and service centers. Our transportation services include less-than-truckload ("LTL"), truck brokerage and other transportation services.

In our Logistics segment, which we sometimes refer to as supply chain, we provide a wide range of services differentiated by our proprietary technology and our ability to customize solutions for individual customers. Our services include high-value-add warehousing and distribution, e-commerce and omnichannel fulfillment, cold chain logistics, packaging and labeling, factory support, aftermarket support, inventory management, order personalization and supply chain optimization, such as production flow management. In addition, we are a major provider of reverse logistics, which is also called returns management. Reverse logistics is a fast-growing area of logistics that includes the inspection, repackaging, refurbishment, resale or disposal of returned merchandise, as well as refunding and warranty management.

In December 2020, we announced that our Board of Directors unanimously approved a plan to pursue a spin-off of 100% of our Logistics segment as a separate publicly traded company. We intend to structure the spin-off as a distribution that is generally tax-free for U.S. federal income tax purposes to XPO shareholders (except with respect to any cash received in lieu of fractional shares) and would result in XPO shareholders owning stock in both companies. If completed, the spin-off will result in separate public companies with clearly delineated service offerings. XPO will be a global provider of primarily LTL transportation and truck brokerage services, and the spun-off company will be the second largest contract logistics provider in the world. Both companies' stocks are expected to trade on the New York Stock Exchange, and we plan to consider a dual listing on the London Stock Exchange for the spun-off company in due course.

The transaction is currently expected to be completed in the second half of 2021, subject to various conditions. There can be no assurance that the spin-off will occur or, if it does occur, of its terms or timing.

Separately, in March 2020, we announced that we had entered into an agreement to acquire the majority of Kuehne + Nagel's contract logistics operations in the United Kingdom. The operations, which include roughly 5,700 employees and provide a range of logistics services, including inbound and outbound distribution, reverse logistics management and inventory management, will be included in our Logistics segment. The acquisition was completed in January 2021.

This discussion focuses on our 2020 results, compared with 2019 results. The discussion of our 2019 results, compared with 2018 results, can be found in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations in Part II, Item 7 of our 2019 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

# **Impacts of COVID-19**

As a global provider of supply chain solutions, our business can be impacted to varying degrees by factors beyond our control. The rapid escalation of COVID-19 into a pandemic in 2020 has affected, and will continue to affect, economic activity broadly and customer sectors served by our industry.

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the governments of many countries, states, cities and other geographic regions have taken and are continuing to take preventative or reactive actions, such as imposing restrictions on travel and business operations and establishing guidelines for social distancing and occupational safety. Due to the critical role we play in moving goods and equipment in the markets we serve, XPO is considered an "essential business," providing supply chain solutions to crucial industries and delivering critical consumer goods. As a result, our sites have generally remained open and operating, and we have continued to serve our customers while employing significant measures to protect our employees and keep them safe.

The COVID-19 pandemic and associated impacts on economic activity had an adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition for the year ended December 31, 2020, as discussed below. We experienced declines in demand for our services that began in the first quarter of 2020, had a substantial impact in the second quarter of 2020, and abated throughout the second half of 2020. These declines in demand meaningfully affected our results in both North America and Europe.

Due to the largely unprecedented and evolving nature of the COVID-19 pandemic, it remains very difficult to predict the extent of the impact on our industry generally and our business in particular. Furthermore, the extent and pace of a recovery remains uncertain and may differ significantly among the countries in which we operate. We expect our results of operations will continue to be impacted by this pandemic in 2021.

We have incurred net incremental costs related to COVID-19 to ensure that we meet the needs of our customers and employees; these include costs for personal protective equipment ("PPE"), temporary site closures, site cleanings and enhanced employee benefits. We also implemented supplemental "appreciation pay" programs for thousands of frontline employees who continued to work during the pandemic. We expect to continue to incur additional costs as we implement operational changes in response to the pandemic. However, the majority of our cost base is variable, and we have taken and, if appropriate, will continue to take aggressive actions to adjust our expenses to reflect changes in demand for our services. These actions include reduced use of contractors, reduced employee hours, furloughs, layoffs and required use of paid time off, consistent with applicable regulations. While we could not fully offset the decrease in demand for our services arising from the economic disruption of the pandemic in 2020, the actions we have taken, combined with the variable components of our cost structure, have mitigated the impact on our profitability relative to the impact on our revenue and volumes.

A further discussion of the potential impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on our business is set forth above in Part I, Item 1A. Risk Factors.

#### **Consolidated Summary Financial Table**

		Years Ended	Dec	ember 31,	Percent	Change		
(Dollars in millions)	2020 (1)		<b>2019</b> (2)		2020		2019	2020 vs. 2019
Revenue	\$	16,252	\$	16,648	100.0	%	100.0 %	(2.4)%
Cost of transportation and services		7,852		8,303	48.3	%	49.9 %	(5.4)%
Direct operating expense		5,837		5,679	35.9	%	34.1 %	2.8 %
Sales, general and administrative expense		2,172		1,845	13.4	%	11.1 %	17.7 %
Operating income		391		821	2.4	%	4.9 %	(52.4)%
Other income		(79)		(54)	$(0.5)^{\circ}$	%	(0.3)%	(46.3)%
Foreign currency (gain) loss		(3)		9	_ 9	%	0.1 %	(133.3)%
Debt extinguishment loss		_		5	_ 9	%	— %	(100.0)%
Interest expense		325		292	2.0	%	1.8 %	11.3 %
Income before income tax provision		148		569	0.9	%	3.4 %	(74.0)%
Income tax provision		31		129	0.2	%	0.8 %	(76.0)%
Net income	\$	117	\$	440	0.7	%	2.6 %	(73.4)%

- (1) Consolidated operating income for 2020 includes \$100 million of transaction and integration costs, of which \$21 million relates to our Transportation segment and \$28 million relates to our Logistics segment, and \$56 million of restructuring expense.
- (2) Consolidated operating income for 2019 includes \$5 million of transaction and integration costs and \$49 million of restructuring expense.

The transaction and integration costs for 2020 are primarily related to our previously announced exploration of strategic alternatives that was terminated in March 2020 and costs related to our planned acquisition of the Kuehne + Nagel business. For further information on our restructuring actions, see Note 6—Restructuring Charges to the

Consolidated Financial Statements. We also incurred net incremental and direct costs as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020.

Our consolidated revenue for 2020 decreased by 2.4% to \$16.3 billion, from \$16.6 billion in 2019. The decrease primarily reflects the impact of COVID-19. Foreign currency movement increased revenue by approximately 0.6 percentage points in 2020.

Cost of transportation and services includes the cost of providing or procuring freight transportation for XPO customers and salaries paid to employee drivers in our LTL and truckload businesses.

Cost of transportation and services in 2020 was \$7.9 billion, or 48.3% of revenue, compared with \$8.3 billion, or 49.9% of revenue in 2019. The year-over-year decrease as a percentage of revenue was primarily driven by a higher mix of logistics revenue, lower fuel costs and lower third-party transportation costs in our transportation segment, partially offset by incremental PPE and other COVID-19-related costs.

Direct operating expenses are comprised of both fixed and variable expenses and consist of operating costs related to our logistics facilities, last mile warehousing facilities, LTL service centers and European LTL network. Direct operating expenses consist mainly of personnel costs, facility and equipment expenses, such as rent, utilities, equipment maintenance and repair, costs of materials and supplies, information technology expenses, depreciation expense, and gains and losses on sales of property and equipment.

Direct operating expense in 2020 was \$5.8 billion, or 35.9% of revenue, compared with \$5.7 billion, or 34.1% of revenue, in 2019. The year-over-year increase as a percentage of revenue was primarily driven by the decline in revenue due to COVID-19, a higher mix of logistics revenue, higher facility and payroll costs, and incremental PPE and other COVID-19-related costs. Additionally, 2020 and 2019 included \$92 million and \$110 million, respectively, from gains on sales of property and equipment.

Sales, general and administrative expense ("SG&A") primarily consists of salaries and commissions for the sales function, salary and benefit costs for executive and certain administration functions, depreciation and amortization expense, professional fees, facility costs, bad debt expense and legal costs.

SG&A was \$2.2 billion in 2020, or 13.4% of revenue, compared with \$1.8 billion, or 11.1% of revenue, in 2019. The year-over-year increase in SG&A as a percentage of revenue primarily resulted from the decline in revenue due to COVID-19, higher compensation costs, increased self-insurance expense and incremental PPE and other COVID-19-related costs. Compensation costs were higher for both the fourth quarter and the year ended December 31, 2020 in comparison to the prior-year periods due to the strength of our operating performance in a challenging macro-environment. Additionally, SG&A for 2020 included approximately \$74 million of expenses related to our exploration of strategic alternatives, including professional service fees and employee retention costs.

Other income primarily consists of pension income. Other income for 2020 was \$79 million, compared with \$54 million in 2019. The year-over-year increase reflects \$27 million of higher net periodic pension income in 2020.

Foreign currency (gain) loss was a \$3 million gain in 2020, compared with a \$9 million loss in 2019. Foreign currency (gain) loss in 2020 primarily reflected unrealized gains on foreign currency option and forward contracts and a realized gain on a terminated net investment hedge, partially offset by foreign currency transaction and measurement losses. Foreign currency loss in 2019 primarily reflected unrealized losses on foreign currency option and forward contracts. For additional information on our foreign currency option and forward contracts, see Note 11—Derivative Instruments to our Consolidated Financial Statements.

Debt extinguishment loss was \$5 million in 2019 and related to the write-off of debt issuance costs for an unsecured credit facility ("Unsecured Credit Facility") that was repaid in 2019. There were no debt extinguishment losses in 2020.

Interest expense for 2020 increased 11.3% to \$325 million, from \$292 million in 2019. The increase in interest expense was primarily due to higher average total indebtedness, including the senior notes due 2025 (the "Senior Notes due 2025") that were issued in the second quarter of 2020, partially offset by lower interest rates in 2020.

Our consolidated income before income taxes in 2020 was \$148 million, compared with \$569 million in 2019. The decrease primarily was driven by lower operating income in our Transportation and Logistics segments, as discussed below, and higher interest expense, partially offset by higher other income. With respect to our U.S. operations, income before income taxes decreased by \$330 million in 2020, compared with the prior year, primarily due to the impact of COVID-19 and higher interest expense. With respect to our non-U.S. operations, income before income taxes decreased by \$91 million in 2020 compared with the prior year, primarily due to the impact of COVID-19.

Our effective income tax rates were 21.1% and 22.6% in 2020 and 2019, respectively. The decrease in our effective income tax rate for the year ended December 31, 2020 compared to the year ended December 31, 2019 was primarily driven by income tax benefits associated with stock-based compensation.

The U.S. Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (the "CARES Act") enacted in March 2020 provides numerous tax provisions and other stimulus measures, including temporary changes regarding the prior and future utilization of net operating losses, temporary changes to the prior and future limitations on interest deductions, and technical corrections from prior tax legislation for tax depreciation of certain qualified improvement property. We have applied the provisions of the CARES Act relating to income taxes and realized a \$4 million reduction in cash taxes as well as an immaterial income tax benefit on our Consolidated Statements of Income in 2020. Additionally, we benefited from the ability to defer the payment of certain payroll taxes that would otherwise have been required in 2020. We have not applied for any government loans under the CARES Act or similar laws.

# **Restructuring Charges**

We engage in restructuring actions as part of our ongoing efforts to best use our resources and infrastructure, including actions in response to COVID-19. Restructuring charges were recorded on our Consolidated Statements of Income as follows:

	Yes	December 31,				
(In millions)	2020			2019		
Cost of transportation and services	\$	1	\$	2		
Direct operating expense		7		1		
Sales, general and administrative expense		48		46		
Total	\$	56	\$	49		

For more information, see Note 6—Restructuring Charges to our Consolidated Financial Statements. Upon successful completion of the restructuring initiatives recorded in 2020, we expect to achieve annualized pre-tax savings of approximately \$100 million by the end of 2021. In addition, we may incur incremental restructuring costs in 2021 in connection with the planned spin-off of our Logistics segment or for other reasons; however, we are currently unable to reasonably estimate these costs.

## **Transportation Segment**

	 Years Ended	Dece	mber 31,	Percent of F	Change	
(Dollars in millions)	2020		2019	2020	2019	2020 vs. 2019
Revenue	\$ 10,199	\$	10,687	100.0 %	100.0 %	(4.6)%
Operating income	507		752	5.0 %	7.0 %	(32.6)%
Total depreciation and amortization	453		447			1.3 %

Revenue in our Transportation segment decreased 4.6% to \$10.2 billion in 2020, compared with \$10.7 billion in 2019. The decline in revenue primarily reflected the impact of COVID-19 and lower fuel revenue. Foreign currency movement increased revenue by approximately 0.4 percentage points in 2020.

Operating income in our Transportation segment was \$507 million, or 5.0% of revenue, in 2020, compared with \$752 million, or 7.0% of revenue, in 2019. The decrease in operating income was primarily driven by lower

revenue, higher facility costs, expenses related to our exploration of strategic alternatives and incremental PPE and other COVID-19-related costs. These higher costs were partially offset by lower third-party transportation, fuel and personnel costs. Depreciation and amortization expense in 2019 included \$6 million related to the impairment of customer relationship intangible assets associated with exiting the direct postal injection business.

#### **Logistics Segment**

	 Years Ended	Dece	mber 31,	Percent of F	Change	
(Dollars in millions)	2020	2019		2020	2019	2020 vs. 2019
Revenue	\$ 6,182	\$	6,093	100.0 %	100.0 %	1.5 %
Operating income	140		241	2.3 %	3.9 %	(41.9)%
Total depreciation and amortization	301		277			8.7 %

Revenue in our Logistics segment increased 1.5% to \$6.2 billion in 2020, compared with \$6.1 billion in 2019. The increase in revenue compared to 2019 reflects growth in our European business, partially offset by the impact of COVID-19, our elimination of certain low-margin business and the downsizing of business by one of our largest customers in North America in 2019. Foreign currency movement increased revenue by approximately 0.8 percentage points in 2020.

Operating income in our Logistics segment was \$140 million, or 2.3% of revenue in 2020, compared with \$241 million, or 3.9% of revenue, in 2019. The decrease in operating income was primarily driven by the impact of COVID-19 on revenues, costs and margins, increased depreciation and amortization expense, expenses related to our exploration of strategic alternatives and higher personnel costs, partially offset by higher revenue. Depreciation and amortization expense increased year-over-year due to the impact of prior capital investments, new contract startups and accelerated depreciation due to contract modifications.

# **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

Our principal existing sources of cash are (i) cash generated from operations; (ii) borrowings available under our Second Amended and Restated Revolving Loan Credit Agreement, as amended (the "ABL Facility") and a Senior Secured Term Loan Credit Agreement; and (iii) proceeds from the issuance of other debt. As of December 31, 2020, we have \$883 million available to draw under our ABL Facility, based on a borrowing base of \$1.1 billion, outstanding borrowings of \$200 million and outstanding letters of credit of \$17 million, as well as \$150 million available to draw under the Senior Secured Term Loan Credit Agreement.

Our cash and cash equivalents balance was \$2.1 billion as of December 31, 2020, compared to \$377 million as of December 31, 2019. The increase in cash and cash equivalents is largely due to the issuance of our Senior Notes due 2025 in 2020 and cash flows generated from operating activities in 2020.

Managing our balance sheet prudently and maintaining appropriate liquidity are high priorities during the disruption caused by COVID-19. In order to best position us to navigate this uncertain period, we have taken a number of actions to further strengthen our liquidity.

We borrowed a net \$200 million in revolving loans under our existing ABL Facility in 2020. In addition, in April 2020, we entered into the Senior Secured Term Loan Credit Agreement which allows us to borrow up to \$150 million in aggregate principal amount of committed secured term loans and request the issuance of up to \$200 million in aggregate face amount of secured letters of credit under an evergreen letter of credit facility. Also in the second quarter of 2020, we completed private placements of \$1.15 billion aggregate principal amount of Senior Notes due 2025. The Senior Secured Term Loan Credit Agreement and Senior Notes due 2025 are discussed further below. In June 2020, we amended certain provisions of the ABL Facility to provide additional debt financing flexibility.

We continually evaluate our liquidity requirements in light of our operating needs, growth initiatives and capital resources. We believe that our existing liquidity and sources of capital are sufficient to support our operations over

the next 12 months. In conjunction with the planned spin-off of our Logistics segment, we expect to further evaluate our liquidity needs, capital structure and sources of capital for the Transportation and Logistics businesses on a stand-alone basis.

# Trade Receivables Securitization and Factoring Programs

We sell certain of our trade accounts receivable on a non-recourse basis to third-party financial institutions under factoring agreements. We account for these transactions as sales of receivables and present cash proceeds as cash provided by operating activities in the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows. We also sell trade accounts receivable under a securitization program described below. We use trade receivables securitization and factoring programs to help manage our cash flows and offset the impact of extended payment terms for some of our customers.

XPO Logistics Europe SA ("XPO Logistics Europe"), one of our majority-owned subsidiaries, participates in a trade receivables securitization program co-arranged by three European banks (the "Purchasers"). Under the program, a wholly-owned bankruptcy-remote special purpose entity of XPO Logistics Europe sells trade receivables that originate with wholly-owned subsidiaries of XPO Logistics Europe in the United Kingdom and France to unaffiliated entities managed by the Purchasers. The special purpose entity is a variable interest entity and is consolidated by XPO based on our control of the entity's activities.

We account for transfers under our securitization and factoring arrangements as sales because we sell full title and ownership in the underlying receivables and control of the receivables is considered transferred. For these transfers, the receivables are removed from our Consolidated Balance Sheets at the date of transfer. In the securitization and factoring arrangements, any of our continuing involvement is limited to servicing the receivables. The fair value of any servicing assets and liabilities is immaterial. Our trade receivables securitization program permits us to borrow, on an unsecured basis, cash collected in a servicing capacity on previously sold receivables, which we report within short-term debt on our Consolidated Balance Sheets.

Under a securitization program that was terminated in July 2019, we accounted for transfers as either sales or secured borrowings based on an evaluation of whether control has transferred. For the transfers that did not meet the criteria for surrender of control, the transaction was accounted for as a secured borrowing. These secured borrowings were repaid when the program was terminated. For transfers that were accounted for as sales, the consideration received included a simultaneous cash payment and a deferred purchase price receivable. The deferred purchase price receivable was not a trade receivable and was recorded based on its fair value and reported within Other current assets on our Consolidated Balance Sheets. The cash payment which we received on the date of the transfer was reflected within Net cash provided by operating activities on our Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows. As we received cash payments on the deferred purchase price receivable, it was reflected as an investing activity. The new program does not include a deferred purchase price mechanism.

The maximum amount of net cash proceeds available at any one time under the new program, inclusive of any unsecured borrowings, is €400 million (approximately \$489 million as of December 31, 2020). As of December 31, 2020, €75 million (approximately \$92 million) was available to us, subject to having sufficient receivables available to sell to the Purchasers.

Under the current program, we service the receivables we sell on behalf of the Purchasers, which gives us visibility into the timing of customer payments. The benefit to our cash flow includes the difference between the cash consideration in the table below and the amount we collected as a servicer on behalf of the Purchasers. In 2020 and 2019, we collected cash as servicer of \$2.9 billion and \$2.2 billion, respectively.

Information related to the trade receivables sold was as follows:

		Years Ended December 31,						
(In millions)	2020		2019			2018		
Securitization programs (1)								
Receivables sold in period	\$	2,868	\$	2,231	\$	231		
Cash consideration		2,868		2,095		179		
Deferred purchase price				135		52		
Factoring programs								
Receivables sold in period		687		858		663		
Cash consideration		686		854		660		

<sup>(1)</sup> Receivable transfers under the securitization programs are accounted for as either sales or secured borrowings. In the prior program, a portion of the transfers were accounted for as secured borrowings while under the new program, all transfers are accounted for as sales. This change had the effect of increasing the amount of trade receivables we reported as sold in 2019.

In addition to the cash considerations referenced above, we received \$186 million in the year ended December 31, 2019, for the realization of cash on the deferred purchase price receivable for our prior securitization program.

#### Secured Debt

In April 2020, we entered into a Senior Secured Term Loan Credit Agreement, comprised of a \$150 million committed secured term loan facility and a \$200 million uncommitted secured evergreen letter of credit facility. We did not draw on the term loan facility through its term, which ended in January 2021.

Letters of credit under the letter of credit facility shall expire within one year of issuance and may contain automatic one-year renewals until the letter of credit facility terminates. As of December 31, 2020, we have issued \$200 million in aggregate face amount of letters of credit, and have not drawn on the term loan commitments. The credit agreement governing the term loan and letter of credit facilities contains representations and warranties and affirmative and negative covenants customary for financings of this type as well as customary events of default.

## Term Loan Facilities

In March 2019, we entered into an amendment to our senior secured term loan credit agreement (the "Term Loan Credit Agreement") and borrowed an additional \$500 million of incremental loans under a new tranche of term loans. For more information on the amendment, refer to Note 12—Debt to our Consolidated Financial Statements. Proceeds from the new tranche of loans were used for general corporate purposes, including funding purchases of our common stock as described in Note 14—Stockholders' Equity.

#### Senior Notes

In the second quarter of 2020, we completed private placements of \$1.15 billion aggregate principal amount of Senior Notes due 2025. Net proceeds from the notes were invested in cash and cash equivalents.

In February 2019, we completed a private placement of \$1.0 billion aggregate principal amount of senior notes ("Senior Notes due 2024"). We used the proceeds from the Senior Notes due 2024 to repay our outstanding obligation under the Unsecured Credit Facility described below and to finance a portion of our share repurchases described in Note 14—Stockholders' Equity to our Consolidated Financial Statements.

In January 2021, we redeemed our outstanding Senior Notes due 2022 that were originally issued in 2015. See Note 19—Subsequent Events.

### **Unsecured Credit Facility**

In December 2018, we entered into a \$500 million Unsecured Credit Facility and borrowed \$250 million. We borrowed an additional \$250 million in January 2019. We used the proceeds of both borrowings to finance a portion of our share repurchases described in Note 14—Stockholders' Equity to our Consolidated Financial Statements. In connection with the issuance of the Senior Notes due 2024 described above, we repaid our outstanding obligations under the Unsecured Credit Facility and terminated it in February 2019. We recorded a debt extinguishment loss of \$5 million in 2019 in connection with this repayment.

# Preferred Stock and Warrant Exchanges

In December 2020, some holders of our convertible preferred stock exchanged their holdings for a combination of our common stock, based on the stated conversion price, and a lump-sum payment that represents an approximation of the net present value of the future dividends payable on the preferred stock. Additionally, some holders of our warrants exchanged (or committed to exchange subject to the satisfaction of certain customary closing conditions) their holdings, including Jacobs Private Equity, LLC, an entity controlled by the Company's chairman and chief executive officer, for a number of shares of our common stock equal to the number of shares of common stock that such holder would be entitled to receive upon an exercise of the warrants less the number of shares of common stock that have an approximate value equal to the exercise price of the warrants. With respect to the preferred stock, 69,445 shares were exchanged, and we issued 9.9 million shares of common stock and paid \$22 million of cash. The \$22 million has been reflected as a preferred stock conversion charge in the accompanying consolidated financial statements. With respect to the warrants, 0.3 million warrants were exchanged, and we issued 0.3 million shares of common stock. Additional commitments were made with respect to 9.6 million warrants, which are expected to be converted into 9.1 million shares of common stock in the first quarter of 2021. These exchanges are intended to simplify our equity capital structure, including in contemplation of our previously announced plan to pursue a spin-off of our Logistics segment.

# Share Repurchases

In December 2018, our Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of up to \$1 billion of our common stock, which was completed in the first quarter of 2019. The share repurchases were funded by our Unsecured Credit Facility and available cash.

In February 2019, our Board of Directors authorized additional repurchases of up to \$1.5 billion of our common stock. The 2019 authorization permits us to purchase shares in both the open market and in private transactions, with the timing and number of shares dependent on a variety of factors, including price, general business conditions, market conditions, alternative investment opportunities and funding considerations. We are not obligated to repurchase any specific number of shares and may suspend or discontinue the program at any time. The share purchases under this program have been funded by our available cash and proceeds from our 2019 debt offerings.

Information regarding our shares repurchased, based on settlement date, were as follows:

	Years Ended December 31,										
(In millions, except per share data)		2020		2019		2018					
Shares purchased and retired		2		25		10					
Aggregate value	\$	114	\$	1,347	\$	536					
Average price per share	\$	66.58	\$	53.41	\$	53.46					
Remaining authorization	\$	503	\$	617	\$	464					

## Loan Covenants and Compliance

As of December 31, 2020, we were in compliance with the covenants and other provisions of our debt agreements. Any failure to comply with any material provision or covenant of these agreements could have a material adverse effect on our liquidity and operations.

#### LIBOR

Uncertainty related to the London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR") phase-out at the end of 2021 may adversely impact the value of, and our obligations under, our ABL and term loan facilities. See the applicable discussion under Item 1A. Risk Factors.

# Sources and Uses of Cash

Our cash flows from operating, investing and financing activities, as reflected on our Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, are summarized as follows:

	 Years Ended December 31,			
(In millions)	2020		2019	
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 885	\$	791	
Net cash used in investing activities	(357)		(161)	
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	1,136		(759)	
Effect of exchange rates on cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	14		2	
Net increase (decrease) in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	\$ 1,678	\$	(127)	

During 2020, we: (i) generated cash from operating activities of \$885 million; (ii) generated proceeds from sales of property and equipment (primarily real estate) of \$195 million and (iii) received net proceeds of \$1.4 billion from our issuances of debt and short-term borrowings. We used cash during this period primarily to: (i) purchase property and equipment of \$526 million; (ii) repurchase common stock of \$114 million; and (iii) make payments on debt and finance leases of \$102 million.

During 2019, we: (i) generated cash from operating activities of \$791 million; (ii) generated proceeds from sales of property and equipment of \$252 million; (iii) collected \$186 million on the deferred purchase price receivable as described above; and (iv) received proceeds of \$1.8 billion on our debt. We used cash during this period primarily to: (i) purchase property and equipment of \$601 million; (ii) repurchase common stock of \$1.3 billion; (iii) make payments on debt and finance leases of \$867 million and (iv) purchase noncontrolling interests of \$258 million.

Cash flows from operating activities for 2020 increased by \$94 million compared with 2019. The increase reflects the impact of operating assets and liabilities generating \$499 million more in cash in 2020, partially offset by lower net income. Within operating assets and liabilities, accrued expenses and other liabilities was a source of cash for 2020 as compared to a use of cash in 2019. This fluctuation primarily reflects the deferral of certain tax payments and an increase in compensation and purchased transportation accruals in 2020. Partially offsetting the impact of accrued expenses and other liabilities was the higher use of cash due to increased accounts receivable as a result of higher revenues in the fourth quarter of 2020 compared to 2019.

Investing activities used \$357 million of cash in 2020 compared with \$161 million used in 2019. During 2020, we used \$526 million of cash to purchase property and equipment and received \$195 million from sales of property and equipment. During 2019, we used \$601 million of cash to purchase property and equipment, received \$252 million of cash from sales of property and equipment and received proceeds of \$186 million related to the realization of cash on deferred purchase price receivable.

Financing activities generated \$1.1 billion of cash in 2020 and used \$759 million of cash in 2019. The primary sources of cash from financing activities in 2020 were \$1.1 billion of net proceeds from the issuance of Senior Notes due 2025; \$200 million of proceeds from borrowings on our ABL Facility, net of payments, and \$47 million from net borrowings related to our securitization program. The primary uses of cash from financing activities in 2020 were \$114 million used to purchase XPO common stock and \$102 million used to repay debt and finance leases. By comparison, the primary uses of cash from financing activities in 2019 were \$1.3 billion to repurchase XPO common stock, \$867 million used to repay debt and finance leases, and \$258 million used to purchase a shareholder's noncontrolling interest in XPO Logistics Europe SA. The primary source of cash from financing activities in 2019 was \$1.7 billion of net proceeds from the issuance of long-term debt, as described above.

### Defined Benefit Pension Plans

We sponsor both funded and unfunded defined benefit plans for some employees in the U.S. and internationally. The largest of these plans include the funded U.S. plan and the unfunded U.S. plan and the funded U.K. plan. Historically, we have realized income, rather than expense, from these plans. We generated aggregate income from our U.S. and U.K. plans of \$83 million in 2020, \$54 million in 2019 and \$74 million in 2018. The plans have been generating income due to their funded status and because they do not allow for new plan participants or additional benefit accruals.

Defined benefit pension plan amounts are calculated using various actuarial assumptions and methodologies. Assumptions include discount rates, inflation rates, expected long-term rate of return on plan assets, mortality rates, and other factors. The assumptions used in recording the projected benefit obligations and fair value of plan assets represent our best estimates based on available information regarding historical experience and factors that may cause future expectations to differ. Differences in actual experience or changes in assumptions could materially impact our obligation and future expense or income.

### Discount Rate

In determining the appropriate discount rate, we are assisted by actuaries who utilize a yield-curve model based on a universe of high-grade corporate bonds (rated AA or better by Moody's, S&P or Fitch rating services). The model determines a single equivalent discount rate by applying the yield curve to expected future benefit payments.

The discount rates used in determining the net periodic benefit costs and benefit obligations are as follows:

	U.S. Qualifi	ied Plans	U.S. Non-Qua	lified Plans	U.K. Plan		
	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	
Discount rate - net periodic benefit costs	2.96 %	4.08 %	2.40% - 2.78%	3.65% - 3.95%	1.84 %	2.56 %	
Discount rate - benefit obligations	2.48 %	3.35 %	1.62% - 2.30%	2.72% - 3.20%	1.37 %	2.04 %	

An increase or decrease of 25 basis points in the discount rate would decrease or increase our 2020 pretax pension income by \$3 million for the U.S. plans and \$2 million for the U.K. plan, respectively.

We use a full yield curve approach to estimate the interest cost component of net periodic benefit cost by applying specific spot rates along the yield curve used to determine the benefit obligation to each of the underlying projected cash flows based on time until payment.

# Rate of Return on Plan Assets

We estimate the expected return on plan assets using current market data as well as historical returns. The expected return on plan assets is based on estimates of long-term returns and considers the plans' anticipated asset allocation over the course of the next year. The plan assets are managed using a long-term liability-driven investment strategy that seeks to mitigate the funded status volatility by increasing participation in fixed-income investments generally as funded status increases. This strategy was developed by analyzing a variety of diversified asset-class combinations in conjunction with the projected liabilities of the plans.

For the year ended December 31, 2020, our expected return on plan assets was \$102 million for the U.S. plans and \$57 million for the U.K. plan, compared to the actual return on plan assets of \$274 million for the U.S. plans and \$120 million for the U.K. plan. The actual annualized return on plan assets for the U.S. plans for 2020 was approximately 15%, which was above the expected return on asset assumption for the year due to positive performance in a strong long duration fixed income market environment, which represented over 82% of the portfolio, and positive performance from the domestic and international equity markets. The actual annualized return on plan assets for the U.K. plan for 2020 was approximately 11%, which was above the expected return on asset assumption for the year as a result of strong performances across equity and credit asset classes. An increase or decrease of 25 basis points in the expected return on plan assets would increase or decrease our 2020 pretax pension income by \$5 million for the U.S. plans and \$3 million for the U.K. plan.

#### Actuarial Gains and Losses

Changes in the discount rate and/or differences between the expected and actual rate of return on plan assets results in unrecognized actuarial gains or losses. For our defined benefit pension plans, accumulated unrecognized actuarial losses were \$50 million for the U.S. plans and \$158 million for the U.K. plan as of December 31, 2020. The portion of the unrecognized actuarial gain/loss that exceeds 10% of the greater of the projected benefit obligation or the fair value of plan assets at the beginning of the year is amortized and recognized as income/expense over the estimated average remaining life expectancy of plan participants. We expect to recognize \$1 million of amortization of actuarial gain in our net periodic benefit income for the U.K. plan for 2021.

## Effect on Results

The effects of the defined benefit pension plans on our results consist primarily of the net effect of the interest cost on plan obligations for the U.S. plans and the U.K. plan, and the expected return on plan assets. We estimate that the defined benefit pension plans will contribute annual pre-tax income in 2021 of \$61 million for the U.S. plans and \$41 million for the U.K. plan.

### Funding

In determining the amount and timing of pension contributions for the U.S. plans, we consider our cash position, the funded status as measured by the Pension Protection Act of 2006 and generally accepted accounting principles, and the tax deductibility of contributions, among other factors. We contributed \$5 million to the U.S. plans in 2020 and 2019, respectively, and we estimate that we will contribute \$5 million to the U.S. plans in 2021.

For the U.K. plan, the amount and timing of pension contributions are determined in accordance with U.K. pension codes and trustee negotiations. We contributed \$3 million and \$2 million to the U.K. plan in 2020 and 2019, respectively. We estimate that we will contribute \$1 million to the U.K. plan in 2021.

For additional information, see Note 13—Employee Benefit Plans to our Consolidated Financial Statements.

#### **Contractual Obligations**

Our contractual obligations as of December 31, 2020 were:

(In millions)	 Payments Due by Period									
	Total		2021		2022-2023		2024-2025		Thereafter	
Contractual obligations										
Finance leases	\$ 479	\$	97	\$	169	\$	107	\$	106	
Operating leases (1)	2,718		579		957		547		635	
Purchase commitments	109		73		31		5		_	
Debt (excluding finance leases)	6,444		1,254		536		4,354		300	
Interest on debt (2)	1,167		246		476		272		173	
Total contractual cash obligations	\$ 10,917	\$	2,249	\$	2,169	\$	5,285	\$	1,214	

- (1) As of December 31, 2020, we had additional operating leases that have not yet commenced with future undiscounted lease payments of \$202 million. These operating leases will commence in 2021 through 2022 with initial lease terms of 2 years to 15 years.
- (2) Estimated interest payments have been calculated based on the principal amount of debt and the applicable interest rates as of December 31, 2020.

As of December 31, 2020, our Consolidated Balance Sheet reflects a long-term liability of \$371 million for deferred taxes. Additionally, our Consolidated Balance Sheet reflects gross unrecognized tax benefits of \$27 million, which are primarily included in long-term liabilities. As the timing of future cash outflows for these liabilities is uncertain, they are excluded from the above table. Actual amounts of contractual cash obligations may differ from estimated amounts due to changes in foreign currency exchange rates. We anticipate net capital expenditures to be between

\$475 million and \$525 million in 2021 (without giving effect to the planned spin-off of our Logistics segment), funded by cash on hand and available liquidity.

## **Critical Accounting Policies**

We prepare our consolidated financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. A summary of our significant accounting policies is contained in Note 2—Basis of Presentation and Significant Accounting Policies to our Consolidated Financial Statements. The methods, assumptions, and estimates that we use in applying our accounting policies may require us to apply judgments regarding matters that are inherently uncertain and may change based on changing circumstances or changes in our analysis. Material changes in these assumptions, estimates and/or judgments have the potential to materially alter our results of operations. We have identified below our accounting policies that we believe could potentially produce materially different results if we were to change underlying assumptions, estimates and/or judgments. Although actual results may differ from estimated results, we believe the estimates are reasonable and appropriate.

## Evaluation of Goodwill

We measure goodwill as the excess of consideration transferred over the fair value of net assets acquired in business combinations. We allocate goodwill to our reporting units for the purpose of impairment testing. We evaluate goodwill for impairment annually, or more frequently if an event or circumstance indicates an impairment loss may have been incurred. We measure goodwill impairment, if any, at the amount a reporting unit's carrying amount exceeds its fair value, not to exceed the carrying amount of goodwill. Our reporting units are our operating segments or one level below our operating segments for which discrete financial information is prepared and regularly reviewed by segment management. Application of the goodwill impairment test requires judgment, including the identification of reporting units, the assignment of assets and liabilities to reporting units, the assignment of goodwill to reporting units, and a determination of the fair value of each reporting unit.

For our 2020 and 2019 goodwill assessments, we performed a quantitative analysis for all five of our reporting units using a combination of income and market approaches, with the assistance of a third-party valuation appraiser. As of August 31, 2020 and 2019, we completed our annual impairment tests for goodwill with all of our reporting units having fair values in excess of their carrying values, resulting in no impairment of goodwill.

The income approach of determining fair value is based on the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at an appropriate risk-adjusted rate. The discount rates reflect management's judgment and are based on a risk adjusted weighted-average cost of capital utilizing industry market data of businesses similar to the reporting units. Inherent in our preparation of cash flow projections are assumptions and estimates derived from a review of our operating results, business plans, expected growth rates, cost of capital and tax rates. Our forecasts also reflect expectations concerning future economic conditions, interest rates and other market data. The market approach of determining fair value is based on comparable market multiples for companies engaged in similar businesses, as well as recent transactions within our industry. We believe this approach, which utilizes multiple valuation techniques, yields the most appropriate evidence of fair value.

Many of the factors used in assessing fair value are outside the control of management, and these assumptions and estimates may change in future periods. Changes in assumptions or estimates could materially affect the estimate of the fair value of a reporting unit, and therefore could affect the likelihood and amount of potential impairment.

## Self-Insurance Accruals

We use a combination of self-insurance programs and purchased insurance to provide for the costs of medical, casualty, liability, vehicular, cargo and workers' compensation claims. We periodically evaluate our level of insurance coverage and adjust our insurance levels based on risk tolerance and premium expense. Liabilities for the risks we retain, including estimates of claims incurred but not reported, are not discounted and are estimated, in part, by considering historical cost experience, demographic and severity factors, and judgments about current and expected levels of cost per claim and retention levels. Additionally, claims may emerge in future years for events that occurred in a prior year at a rate that differs from previous actuarial projections. We believe the actuarial

methods are appropriate for measuring these self-insurance accruals. However, based on the number of claims and the length of time from incurrence of the claims to ultimate settlement, the use of any estimation method is sensitive to the assumptions and factors described above. Accordingly, changes in these assumptions and factors can affect the estimated liability and those amounts may be different than the actual costs paid to settle the claims.

#### Income Taxes

Our annual effective tax rate is based on our income and statutory tax rates in the various jurisdictions in which we operate. Judgment and estimates are required in determining our tax expense and in evaluating our tax positions, including evaluating uncertainties. We review our tax positions quarterly and as new information becomes available. Our effective tax rate in any financial statement period may be materially impacted by changes in the mix and/or level of earnings by taxing jurisdiction.

Deferred income tax assets represent amounts available to reduce income taxes payable in future years. Such assets arise because of temporary differences between the financial reporting and tax bases of assets and liabilities, as well as from net operating losses and tax credit carryforwards. We evaluate the recoverability of these future tax deductions and credits by assessing all available evidence, including the reversal of deferred tax liabilities, carrybacks available, and historical and projected pre-tax profits generated by our operations. Valuation allowances are established when, in management's judgment, it is more likely than not that our deferred tax assets will not be realized. In assessing the need for a valuation allowance, management weighs the available positive and negative evidence, including limitations on the use of tax losses and other carryforwards due to changes in ownership, historic information, and projections of future sources of taxable income that include and exclude future reversals of taxable temporary differences.

## New Accounting Standards

Information related to new accounting standards is included in Note 2—Basis of Presentation and Significant Accounting Policies.

## ITEM 7A. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Our market risk disclosures involve forward-looking statements. Actual results could differ materially from those projected in such forward-looking statements. We are exposed to market risk related to changes in interest rates, foreign currency exchange rates and commodity price risk.

## Interest Rate Risk

We have exposure to changes in interest rates on our debt, as follows:

Term Loan Facilities. As of December 31, 2020, we had an aggregate principal amount outstanding of \$2.0 billion on our Term Loan Facilities. The interest rate fluctuates based on LIBOR or a Base Rate, as defined in the agreement, plus an applicable margin. Assuming an average annual aggregate principal amount outstanding of \$2.0 billion, a hypothetical 1% increase in the interest rate would have increased our annual interest expense by \$20 million. Additionally, we utilize short-term interest rate swaps to mitigate variability in forecasted interest payments on our Term Loan Facilities. The interest rate swaps convert floating-rate interest payments into fixed rate interest payments.

*ABL Facility*. The interest rates on our ABL Facility fluctuate based on LIBOR or a Base Rate, as defined in the agreement, plus an applicable margin. Assuming our \$1.1 billion ABL Facility was fully drawn throughout 2020, a hypothetical 1% change in the interest rate would have increased our annual interest expense by \$11 million.

Fixed Rate Debt. As of December 31, 2020, we had an aggregate principal amount outstanding of \$4.2 billion of indebtedness (excluding finance leases) that bears interest at fixed rates. A 1% decrease in market interest rates as of December 31, 2020 would increase the fair value of our fixed-rate indebtedness by approximately 3%. For additional information concerning our debt, see Note 12—Debt to our Consolidated Financial Statements.

We also have exposure to changes in interest rates as a result of our cash balances, which totaled \$2.1 billion as of December 31, 2020 and generally earn interest income that approximates LIBOR. Assuming an annual average cash balance as of \$2.1 billion, a hypothetical 1% increase in the interest rate would reduce our net interest expense by \$21 million.

## Foreign Currency Exchange Risk

A significant proportion of our net assets and income are in non-U.S. dollar ("USD") currencies, primarily the euro ("EUR") and British pound sterling ("GBP"). We are exposed to currency risk from potential changes in functional currency values of our foreign currency denominated assets, liabilities and cash flows. Consequently, a depreciation of the EUR or the GBP relative to the USD could have an adverse impact on our financial results.

In connection with the issuances of our Senior Notes due 2023 and Senior Notes due 2022, we entered into cross-currency swap agreements to manage our foreign currency exchange risk by effectively converting a portion of the fixed-rate USD-denominated notes, including the interest payments, to fixed-rate, EUR-denominated debt. The risk management objective is to manage foreign currency risk relating to net investments in subsidiaries denominated in foreign currencies.

We use foreign currency option contracts to mitigate the risk of a reduction in the value of earnings from our operations that use the EUR or GBP as their functional currency.

As of December 31, 2020, a uniform 10% strengthening in the value of the USD relative to the EUR would have resulted in a decrease in net assets of \$63 million. As of December 31, 2020, a uniform 10% strengthening in the value of the USD relative to the GBP would have resulted in a decrease in net assets of \$53 million. These theoretical calculations assume that an instantaneous, parallel shift in exchange rates occurs, which is not consistent with our actual experience in foreign currency transactions. Fluctuations in exchange rates also affect the volume of sales or the foreign currency sales price as competitors' services become more or less attractive. The sensitivity analysis of the impact of changes in foreign currency exchange rates does not factor in a potential change in sales levels or local currency prices.

# Commodity Price Risk

We are exposed to price fluctuations for diesel fuel purchased for use in our vehicles. During the year ended December 31, 2020, diesel prices fluctuated by as much as 12% in France, 8% in the United Kingdom, and 30% in the United States. However, we include price adjustment clauses or cost-recovery mechanisms in many of our customer contracts in the event of a change in the cost to purchase fuel. The clauses mean that substantially all fluctuations in the purchase price of diesel, except for short-term economic fluctuations, can be passed on to customers in the sales price. Therefore, a hypothetical 10% change in the price of diesel would not be expected to materially affect our financial performance over the long term.

# ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

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# Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Stockholders and Board of Directors XPO Logistics, Inc.:

Opinions on the Consolidated Financial Statements and Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of XPO Logistics, Inc. and subsidiaries (the Company) as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, the related consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income, cash flows, and changes in equity for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2020, and the related notes (collectively, the consolidated financial statements). We also have audited the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2020, based on criteria established in *Internal Control – Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2020, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Also in our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2020 based on criteria established in *Internal Control – Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.

# Change in Accounting Principle

As discussed in Note 8 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company changed its method of accounting for leases in 2019 due to the adoption of Accounting Standard Update (ASU) No. 2016-02, Leases and its related amendments (Topic 842).

## Basis for Opinions

The Company's management is responsible for these consolidated financial statements, for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting, and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Management's Annual Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's consolidated financial statements and an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud, and whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects.

Our audits of the consolidated financial statements included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audits also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

## Definition and Limitations of Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

### Critical Audit Matters

The critical audit matters communicated below are matters arising from the current period audit of the consolidated financial statements that were communicated or required to be communicated to the audit committee and that: (1) relate to accounts or disclosures that are material to the consolidated financial statements and (2) involved our especially challenging, subjective, or complex judgments. The communication of critical audit matters does not alter in any way our opinion on the consolidated financial statements, taken as a whole, and we are not, by communicating the critical audit matters below, providing separate opinions on the critical audit matters or on the accounts or disclosures to which they relate.

# Liabilities for self-insured claims

As discussed in Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company uses a combination of self-insurance programs and purchased insurance to provide for the costs of liability, vehicular, and workers' compensation claims (self-insured claims). The Company records estimates of the undiscounted liability associated with claims incurred as of the balance sheet date, including estimates of claims incurred but not reported, by considering historical cost experience, demographic and severity factors, and judgments about current and expected levels of cost per claim and retention levels. These liabilities are recorded within accrued liabilities and other long-term liabilities as of December 31, 2020.

We identified the assessment of the estimated liabilities for self-insured claims as a critical audit matter. The evaluation of the uncertainty in the amounts that will ultimately be paid to settle these claims required subjective auditor judgment. Assumptions that may affect the estimated liability of claims include the consideration of historical cost experience, severity factors, and judgments about current and expected levels of cost per claims and retention levels that have uncertainty related to future occurrences or events and conditions. Additionally, the Company's liabilities for self-insured claims included estimates for expenses of claims that have been incurred but have not been reported, and specialized skills were needed to evaluate the actuarial methods and assumptions used to assess these estimates.

The following are the primary procedures we performed to address this critical audit matter. We evaluated the design and tested the operating effectiveness of certain internal controls over the Company's self-insurance process. This included controls over the assumptions used in estimating the liabilities for self-insured claims. In addition, we compared the Company's estimates of liabilities for individual self-insured claims to current available information, which included legal claims, incident and case reports, current and historical cost experience, or other evidence. We involved an actuarial professional with specialized skills and knowledge, who assisted in:

 comparing the Company's actuarial reserving methodologies with accepted actuarial methods and procedures

- evaluating assumptions used in determining the liability, including expected level of cost per claim and retention levels, in relation to recent historical loss payment trends and severity factors
- developing an independent expected range of liabilities, including liabilities for claims that have been incurred but have not been recorded, based on actuarial methodologies
- comparing the Company's recorded liability to the independently developed liability range.

Assessment of the carrying value of goodwill

As discussed in Notes 2 and 9 to the consolidated financial statements, the goodwill balance as of December 31, 2020 was \$4,599 million. The Company performs goodwill impairment testing annually, or more frequently if events or circumstances indicate the carrying value of a reporting unit that includes goodwill might exceed the fair value of that reporting unit. In assessing the carrying value of goodwill, the Company uses a third-party appraiser, who uses a combination of an income approach and a market approach to estimate fair value. The income approach is based on the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at a risk-adjusted rate to estimate the fair value of the reporting units. The market approach is based on comparable market multiples for companies engaged in similar business, as well as recent transactions within the industry.

We identified the assessment of the carrying value of goodwill for each of the Company's reporting units as a critical audit matter. Assessment of certain assumptions used to estimate fair value under the income approach, including the fair value model, long-term future growth rates, and the risk-adjusted discount rate, had estimation uncertainty, which resulted in subjective auditor judgment and required specialized skills and knowledge. Additionally, assessment of the guideline public companies and transactions within the industry used to estimate fair value under the market approach required significant auditor judgment. Changes to these assumptions may have a significant effect on the Company's assessment of the carrying value of the goodwill.

The following are the primary procedures performed to address this critical audit matter. We evaluated the design and tested the operating effectiveness of certain internal controls over the Company's goodwill impairment assessment process. This included controls related to the determination of the fair value of the reporting units, the estimate of long-term future growth rates, the assumptions used to develop the risk-adjusted discount rates, and the determination of the guideline public companies and transactions within the industry. We performed sensitivity analyses over the fair value model for long-term future growth rates to assess their impact on the Company's determination of the fair value of each reporting unit. We compared the Company's historical growth rate forecast to actual results to assess the Company's ability to accurately forecast. We involved valuation professionals with specialized skill and knowledge, who assisted in:

- comparing the valuation methodologies used by the Company to valuation standards
- comparing the Company's risk-adjusted discount rates to risk-adjusted discount rate ranges that were independently developed using publicly available third-party market data for comparable entities
- comparing the long-term growth rates to industry data, economic growth data, and long-term growth rates used by the Company in prior years' valuation analyses
- evaluating the guideline public companies and transactions used by the Company by reading the business descriptions, examining financial metrics of the comparable public companies and transactions within the industry, and considering market participant guidance and perspective.

/s/ KPMG LLP

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2011.

Stamford, Connecticut

February 12, 2021

### **XPO** Logistics, Inc.

### **Consolidated Balance Sheets**

		Decem	ber 3	31,
(In millions, except per share data)		2020	_	2019
ASSETS				
Current assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	2,054	\$	377
Accounts receivable, net of allowances of \$65 and \$58, respectively		2,886		2,500
Other current assets		430		465
Total current assets		5,370		3,342
Long-term assets				
Property and equipment, net of \$2,568 and \$2,054 in accumulated depreciation, respectively		2,661		2,704
Operating lease assets		2,278		2,245
Goodwill		4,599		4,450
Identifiable intangible assets, net of \$909 and \$784 in accumulated amortization, respectively		974		1,092
Other long-term assets		287		295
Total long-term assets		10,799		10,786
Total assets	\$	16,169	\$	14,128
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$	1,255	\$	1,157
Accrued expenses		1,814		1,414
Short-term borrowings and current maturities of long-term debt		1,338		84
Short-term operating lease liabilities		483		468
Other current liabilities		263		135
Total current liabilities	_	5,153	_	3,258
Long-term liabilities				
Long-term debt		5,369		5,182
Deferred tax liability		371		495
Employee benefit obligations		192		157
Long-term operating lease liabilities		1,795		1,776
Other long-term liabilities		440		364
Total long-term liabilities		8,167		7,974
Stockholders' equity	_		_	
Convertible perpetual preferred stock, \$0.001 par value; 10 shares authorized; 0.001 and 0.07 of Series A shares issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively		1		41
Common stock, \$0.001 par value; 300 shares authorized; 102 and 92 shares issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively		_		
Additional paid-in capital		1,998		2,061
Retained earnings		868		786
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(158)		(145
Total stockholders' equity before noncontrolling interests		2,709		2,743
Noncontrolling interests		140		153
Total equity		2,849		2,896
Total liabilities and equity	•		•	
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**XPO** Logistics, Inc.

### **Consolidated Statements of Income**

	 Year	rs End	ded Decembe	Years Ended December 31,							
(In millions, except per share data)	2020		2019		2018						
Revenue	\$ 16,252	\$	16,648	\$	17,279						
Cost of transportation and services	7,852		8,303		9,013						
Direct operating expense	5,837		5,679		5,725						
Sales, general and administrative expense	2,172		1,845		1,837						
Operating income	391		821		704						
Other income	(79)		(54)		(109)						
Foreign currency (gain) loss	(3)		9		3						
Debt extinguishment loss	_		5		27						
Interest expense	325		292		217						
Income before income tax provision	148		569		566						
Income tax provision	31		129		122						
Net income	117		440		444						
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	(7)		(21)		(22)						
Net income attributable to XPO	\$ 110	\$	419	\$	422						
Net income attributable to common shareholders	\$ 79	\$	379	\$	390						
Earnings per share data											
Basic earnings per share	\$ 0.87	\$	3.95	\$	3.17						
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.78	\$	3.57	\$	2.88						
Weighted-average common shares outstanding											
Basic weighted-average common shares outstanding	92		96		123						
Diluted weighted-average common shares outstanding	102		106		135						

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### **Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income**

	Years Ended December 31,					1,
(In millions)		2020		2019	:	2018
Net income	\$	117	\$	440	\$	444
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax						
Foreign currency translation gain (loss), net of tax effect of \$17, \$(7) and \$(6)	\$	112	\$	23	\$	(100)
Unrealized gain (loss) on financial assets/liabilities designated as hedging instruments, net of tax effect of \$—, \$(1) and \$(1)		(2)		4		(6)
Defined benefit plans adjustment, net of tax effect of \$30, \$1 and \$23		(117)		(19)		(91)
Other comprehensive income (loss)		(7)		8		(197)
Comprehensive income	\$	110	\$	448	\$	247
Less: Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests		13		20		(5)
Comprehensive income attributable to XPO	\$	97	\$	428	\$	252

### XPO Logistics, Inc. Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

			d Decemb	er 31,	
(In millions)		2020	 2019		2018
Operating activities			4.40		
Net income	\$	117	\$ 440	\$	444
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash from operating activities		766	720		716
Depreciation, amortization and net lease activity		766	739		716
Stock compensation expense		59	67		49
Accretion of debt		21	21		15
Deferred tax (benefit) expense		(81)	46		45
Debt extinguishment loss		_	5		27
Unrealized (gain) loss on foreign currency option and forward contracts		(2)	9		(20)
Gain on sale of equity investment		_	_		(24)
Gains on sales of property and equipment		(92)	(110)		(8)
Other		45	21		8
Changes in assets and liabilities					
Accounts receivable		(382)	(67)		(13)
Other assets		28	(47)		(49)
Accounts payable		69	(120)		35
Accrued expenses and other liabilities		337	(213)		(123)
Net cash provided by operating activities		885	 791		1,102
Investing activities					
Payment for purchases of property and equipment		(526)	(601)		(551
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment		195	252		143
Cash collected on deferred purchase price receivable			186		_
Other		(26)	2		8
Net cash used in investing activities		(357)	 (161)		(400)
Financing activities					
Proceeds from issuance of debt		1,155	1,754		1,074
Proceeds from borrowings related to securitization program		47	_		_
Repurchase of debt					(1,225
Proceeds from borrowings on ABL facility		1,020	1,935		1,355
Repayment of borrowings on ABL facility		(820)	(1,935)		(1,455)
Repayment of debt and finance leases		(102)	(867)		(119)
Payment for debt issuance costs		(22)	(28)		(10)
Proceeds from forward sale settlement		_	_		349
Purchase of noncontrolling interests		(21)	(258)		_
Cash paid in connection with preferred stock conversion		(22)	_		_
Repurchase of common stock		(114)	(1,347)		(536)
Payment for tax withholdings for restricted shares		(26)	(14)		(53)
Other		41	1		_
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		1,136	 (759)		(620)
Effect of exchange rates on cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash		14	2		(17)
Net increase (decrease) in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash		1,678	(127)		65
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, beginning of year		387	514		449
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, end of year	\$	2,065	\$ 387	\$	514
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:					
Cash paid for interest	\$	323	\$ 282	\$	233
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## Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity

# For the Three Years Ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018

Common Stock

Series A Preferred Stock

(Shares in thousands, dollars in millions)	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Additional Paid-In Capital	(Accumulated Deficit) Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Total XPO Stockholders' Equity	Non- controlling Interests	Total Equity
Balance as of December 31, 2017	72	\$ 41	119,920	- -	\$ 3,590	(43)	\$ 16	\$ 3,604	\$ 406	\$ 4,010
Net income						- 422		422	22	444
Other comprehensive loss					I		(170)	(170)	(27)	(197)
Exercise and vesting of stock compensation awards			966					1		1
Tax withholdings related to vesting of stock compensation awards					(53)			(53)		(53)
Issuance of common stock from forward sale settlement			6,000		349			349		349
Retirement of common stock			(11,314)		(809)	(8		(809)		(809)
Dividend declared					l	- (3)		(3)	(9)	(6)
Stock compensation expense					30			30		30
Other			82			2		3		3
Balance as of December 31, 2018	72	\$ 41	115,683	- - -	\$ 3,311	\$ 377	\$ (154)	\$ 3,575	\$ 395	\$ 3,970
Net income						- 419		419	21	440
Other comprehensive income (loss)			1		ı		6	6	(1)	~
Exercise and vesting of stock compensation awards			489					1		1
Tax withholdings related to vesting of stock compensation awards			1		(14)	-		(14)	1	(14)
Purchase of noncontrolling interests					(3)	- (s		(3)	(255)	(258)
Retirement of common stock			(23,932)		(1,275)			(1,275)		(1,275)
Dividend declared					l	- (3)		(3)	(5)	(8)
Stock compensation expense			1		36			36		36
Adoption of new accounting standard and other			102			5 (7)		(2)	(2)	(4)
Balance as of December 31, 2019	72	\$ 41	92,342	<b>→</b>	\$ 2,061	982 8	\$ (145)	\$ 2,743	\$ 153	\$ 2,896

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Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity (continued)

For the Three Years Ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018

	Series A Preferred Stock	referred :k	Common Stock	n Stock						
(Shares in thousands, dollars in millions)	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Additional Paid-In Capital	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Total XPO Stockholders' Equity	Non- controlling Interests	Total Equity
Balance as of December 31, 2019	72	\$ 41	92,342	   <del>s</del>	\$ 2,061	\$ 786	\$ (145)	\$ 2,743	\$ 153	\$ 2,896
Net income						110		110	7	117
Other comprehensive income (loss)	1	1	1	-	-	1	(13)	(13)	9	(7)
Exercise and vesting of stock compensation awards			1,411							
Tax withholdings related to vesting of stock compensation awards					(47)	1		(47)		(47)
Purchase of noncontrolling interests					(1)			(1)	(20)	(21)
Conversion of preferred stock to common stock	(71)	(40)	10,014		40	1		1		
Preferred stock conversion						(22)		(22)		(22)
Retirement of common stock	1	1	(1,715)		(114)	1		(114)	1	(114)
Dividend declared						(2)		(2)	(9)	(8)
Stock compensation expense					52	1		52	1	52
Adoption of new accounting standard and other					7	(4)		3		3
Balance as of December 31, 2020	-	\$ 1	102,052	<b>-</b>	\$ 1,998	\$ 898	\$ (158)	\$ 2,709	\$ 140	\$ 2,849

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

### **XPO Logistics, Inc.**

## Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements Years Ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018

### 1. Organization

### Nature of Operations

We use our integrated network of people, technology and physical assets to help customers manage their goods most efficiently throughout their supply chains. Our customers are multinational, national, mid-size and small enterprises. We run our business on a global basis, with two reportable segments: Transportation and Logistics. See Note 4—Segment Reporting and Geographic Information for additional information on our operations.

In December 2020, we announced that our Board of Directors unanimously approved a plan to pursue a spin-off of 100% of our Logistics segment as a separate publicly traded company. The spin-off, which we intend to qualify as a transaction that is generally tax-free for U.S. federal income tax purposes to XPO shareholders, would result in XPO shareholders owning stock in both companies. If completed, the spin-off will result in separate public companies with clearly delineated service offerings. XPO will be a global provider of primarily less-than-truckload ("LTL") transportation and truck brokerage services, and the spun-off company will be the second largest contract logistics provider in the world. Both companies' stocks are expected to trade on the New York Stock Exchange, and we plan to consider a dual listing on the London Stock Exchange for the spun-off company in due course.

The transaction is currently expected to be completed in the second half of 2021, subject to various conditions. There can be no assurance that the spin-off will occur or, if it does occur, of its terms or timing.

### 2. Basis of Presentation and Significant Accounting Policies

### Basis of Presentation

We prepare our consolidated financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"), which requires us to make estimates and assumptions that impact the amounts reported and disclosed in our consolidated financial statements and the accompanying notes. We prepared these estimates based on the most current and best available information, but actual results could differ materially from these estimates and assumptions, particularly in light of the outbreak of a strain of coronavirus, COVID-19. COVID-19 has had, and we expect will continue to have, significant effects on economic activity, on demand for our services, and on our results of operations in 2021. Certain reclassifications have been made to prior year amounts to conform to the current year's presentation.

### Consolidation

Our consolidated financial statements include the accounts of XPO Logistics, Inc. ("XPO" or "we") and our majority-owned subsidiaries and variable interest entities ("VIEs") where we are the primary beneficiary. We have eliminated intercompany accounts and transactions.

To determine if we are a primary beneficiary of a VIE, we evaluate whether we are able to direct the activities that significantly impact the VIE's economic performance, including whether we control the operations of each VIE and whether we can operate the VIEs under our brand or policies. Investors in these VIEs only have recourse to the assets owned by the VIE and not to our general credit. We do not have implicit support arrangements with any VIE. Other than the special purpose entity related to the European Trade Securitization Program discussed below in this Note and in Note 12—Debt, which we consolidate, assets and liabilities of VIEs where we are the primary beneficiary are not significant to our consolidated financial statements.

We have a controlling financial interest in entities generally when we own a majority of the voting interest. The noncontrolling interests reflected in our consolidated financial statements primarily relate to a minority interest in XPO Logistics Europe SA ("XPO Logistics Europe"), formerly known as Norbert Dentressangle SA, a business we

acquired in 2015. As described in Note 3—Purchases of Noncontrolling Interest, we purchased portions of the noncontrolling interests in both 2020 and 2019. Following these acquisitions, the noncontrolling interest was reduced to approximately 3% of XPO Logistics Europe.

### **Significant Accounting Policies**

### Revenue Recognition

We recognize revenue when we transfer control of promised products or services to customers in an amount equal to the consideration we expect to receive for those products or services.

### Performance Obligations

A performance obligation is a promise in a contract to transfer a distinct good or service to the customer. A contract's transaction price is allocated to each distinct performance obligation and recognized as revenue when the performance obligation is satisfied. A description of our performance obligations for our transportation and logistics reportable segments is below.

### **Transportation**

Our transportation segment generates revenue by providing less-than-truckload, freight brokerage and other transportation services for our customers. Additional services may be provided to our customers under their transportation contracts, including unloading and other incidental services. The transaction price is based on the consideration specified in the customer's contract.

A performance obligation is created when a customer under a transportation contract submits a bill of lading for the transport of goods from origin to destination. These performance obligations are satisfied as the shipments move from origin to destination. We recognize transportation revenue proportionally as a shipment moves from origin to destination and the related costs are recognized as incurred. Some of our customer contracts contain our promise to stand ready to provide transportation services. For these contracts, we recognize revenue on a straight-line basis over the term of the contract because the pattern of benefit to the customer, and our efforts to fulfill the contract, are generally distributed evenly throughout the period. Performance obligations are generally short-term, with transit times usually less than one week. Generally, customers are billed on shipment of the freight or on a monthly basis and make payment according to approved payment terms. When we do not control the specific services, we recognize revenue as the difference between the amount the customer pays us for the service less the amount we are charged by third parties who provide the service.

### Logistics

Our Logistics segment generates revenue by providing supply chain services for our customers, including warehousing and distribution, order fulfillment, reverse logistics, packaging and labeling, factory and aftermarket support and inventory management contracts ranging from a few months to a few years. Our performance obligations are satisfied over time as customers receive and consume the benefits of our services. The contracts generally contain a single performance obligation as the distinct services provided remain substantially the same over time and possess the same pattern of transfer. The transaction price is based on the consideration specified in the contract with the customer and contains fixed and variable consideration. In general, the fixed consideration component of a contract represents reimbursement for facility and equipment costs incurred to satisfy the performance obligation and is recognized on a straight-line basis over the term of the contract. The variable consideration component is comprised of cost reimbursement determined based on the costs incurred, while per-unit pricing is determined based on units provided and time and materials pricing is determined based on the level of activity.

Generally, we can adjust our pricing based on contractual provisions related to achieving agreed-upon performance metrics, changes in volumes, services and market conditions. Revenue relating to these pricing adjustments is estimated and included in the consideration if it is probable that a significant revenue reversal will not occur in the future. The estimate of variable consideration is determined by the expected value or most likely amount method and

factors in current, past and forecasted experience with the customer. Customers are billed based on terms specified in the revenue contract and they pay us according to approved payment terms.

### Contract Costs

We expense the incremental costs of obtaining contracts when incurred if the amortization period of the assets is one year or less. These costs are included in Direct operating expense.

### Cash, Cash Equivalents and Restricted Cash

We consider all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less on the date of purchase to be cash equivalents. As of December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, our restricted cash included in Other long-term assets on our Consolidated Balance Sheets was \$11 million, \$10 million and \$12 million, respectively.

### Accounts Receivable and Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

We record accounts receivable at the contractual amount and we record an allowance for doubtful accounts for the amount we estimate we may not collect. In determining the allowance for doubtful accounts, we consider historical collection experience, the age of the accounts receivable balances, the credit quality and risk of our customers, any specific customer collection issues, current economic conditions, and other factors that may impact our customers' ability to pay. Commencing in 2020 and in accordance with Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2016-13, "Financial Instruments - Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments" discussed further below, we also consider reasonable and supportable forecasts of future economic conditions and their expected impact on customer collections in determining our allowance for doubtful accounts. We write off accounts receivable balances once the receivables are no longer deemed collectible.

The roll-forward of the allowance for doubtful accounts was as follows:

	 Yea	rs En	ded December	31,	
(In millions)	2020		2019		2018
Beginning balance	\$ 58	\$	52	\$	42
Cumulative effect adjustment for adoption of ASU 2016-13	4		_		
Provision charged to expense	53		34		36
Write-offs, less recoveries, and other adjustments	 (50)		(28)		(26)
Ending balance	\$ 65	\$	58	\$	52

### Trade Receivables Securitization and Factoring Programs

We sell certain of our trade accounts receivable on a non-recourse basis to third-party financial institutions under factoring agreements. We account for these transactions as sales of receivables and present cash proceeds as cash provided by operating activities in the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows. We also sell trade accounts receivable under a securitization program described below. We use trade receivables securitization and factoring programs to help manage our cash flows and offset the impact of extended payment terms for some of our customers.

XPO Logistics Europe, one of our majority-owned subsidiaries, participates in a trade receivables securitization program co-arranged by three European banks (the "Purchasers"). Under the program, a wholly-owned bankruptcy-remote special purpose entity of XPO Logistics Europe sells trade receivables that originate with wholly-owned subsidiaries of XPO Logistics Europe in the United Kingdom and France to unaffiliated entities managed by the Purchasers. The special purpose entity is a variable interest entity and is consolidated by XPO based on our control of the entity's activities.

We account for transfers under our securitization and factoring arrangements as sales because we sell full title and ownership in the underlying receivables and control of the receivables is considered transferred. For these transfers, the receivables are removed from our Consolidated Balance Sheets at the date of transfer. In the securitization and

factoring arrangements, any of our continuing involvement is limited to servicing the receivables. The fair value of any servicing assets and liabilities is immaterial. Our trade receivables securitization program permits us to borrow, on an unsecured basis, cash collected in a servicing capacity on previously sold receivables, which we report within short-term debt on our Consolidated Balance Sheets. These borrowings amounted to €41 million (\$50 million) as of December 31, 2020. See Note 12—Debt for additional information related to our receivables securitization secured borrowing program and these borrowings.

Under a securitization program that was terminated in July 2019, we accounted for transfers as either sales or secured borrowings based on an evaluation of whether control has transferred. For the transfers that did not meet the criteria for surrender of control, the transaction was accounted for as a secured borrowing. These secured borrowings were repaid when the program was terminated. For transfers that were accounted for as sales, the consideration received included a simultaneous cash payment and a deferred purchase price receivable. The deferred purchase price receivable was not a trade receivable and was recorded based on its fair value and reported within Other current assets on our Consolidated Balance Sheets. The cash payment which we received on the date of the transfer was reflected within Net cash provided by operating activities on our Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows. As we received cash payments on the deferred purchase price receivable, it was reflected as an investing activity. The new program does not include a deferred purchase price mechanism.

The maximum amount of net cash proceeds available at any one time under the new program, inclusive of any unsecured borrowings, is €400 million (approximately \$489 million as of December 31, 2020). As of December 31, 2020, €75 million (approximately \$92 million) was available to us, subject to having sufficient receivables available to sell to the Purchasers. The weighted average interest rate was 0.62% as of December 31, 2020. Charges for commitment fees, which are based on a percentage of available amounts, and charges for administrative fees were not material to our results of operations for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018.

Information related to the trade receivables sold was as follows:

	 Yea	ars En	ded December	December 31,		
(In millions)	2020		2019		2018	
Securitization programs						
Receivables sold in period	\$ 2,868	\$	2,231	\$	231	
Cash consideration	2,868		2,095		179	
Deferred purchase price			135		52	
Factoring programs						
Receivables sold in period	687		858		663	
Cash consideration	686		854		660	

In addition to the cash considerations referenced above, we received \$186 million in the year ended December 31, 2019, for the realization of cash on the deferred purchase price receivable for our prior securitization program.

### Property and Equipment

We generally record property and equipment at cost, or in the case of acquired property and equipment, at fair value at the date of acquisition. Maintenance and repair expenditures are charged to expense as incurred. For internally-developed computer software, all costs incurred during planning and evaluation are expensed as incurred. Costs incurred during the application development stage are capitalized and included in property and equipment. Capitalized software also includes the fair value of acquired internally-developed technology.

We compute depreciation expense on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets as follows:

Classification	Estimated Useful Life
Buildings and leasehold improvements	Term of lease to 40 years
Vehicles, containers, tractors, trailers and tankers	3 to 14 years
Rail cars and chassis	15 to 30 years
Machinery and equipment	3 to 15 years
Computer software and equipment	1 to 6 years

### Leases

We determine if an arrangement is a lease at inception. We recognize operating lease right-of-use assets and liabilities at the lease commencement date based on the estimated present value of the lease payments over the lease term. As most of our leases do not provide an implicit rate, we use incremental borrowing rates based on the information available at commencement date to determine the present value of future lease payments. This rate is determined from a hypothetical yield curve that takes into consideration market yield levels of our relevant debt outstanding as well as the index that matches our credit rating, and then adjusts as if the borrowings were collateralized.

We include options to extend or terminate a lease in the lease term when we are reasonably certain to exercise such options. We exclude variable lease payments (such as payments based on an index or reimbursements of lessor costs) from our initial measurement of the lease liability. We recognize leases with an initial term of 12 months or less as lease expense over the lease term and those leases are not recorded on our Consolidated Balance Sheets. We account for lease and non-lease components within a contract as a single lease component for our real estate leases. For additional information on our leases, see Note 8—Leases.

### Asset Retirement Obligations

A liability for an asset retirement obligation is recorded in the period in which it is incurred. When an asset retirement obligation liability is initially recorded, we capitalize the cost by increasing the carrying amount of the related long-lived asset. For each subsequent period, the liability is increased for accretion expense and the capitalized cost is depreciated over the useful life of the related asset.

### Goodwill

We measure goodwill as the excess of consideration transferred over the fair value of net assets acquired in business combinations. We allocate goodwill to our reporting units for the purpose of impairment testing. We evaluate goodwill for impairment annually, or more frequently if an event or circumstance indicates an impairment loss may have been incurred. We measure goodwill impairment, if any, at the amount a reporting unit's carrying amount exceeds its fair value, not to exceed the carrying amount of goodwill. Our reporting units are our operating segments or one level below our operating segments for which discrete financial information is prepared and regularly reviewed by segment management.

For our 2020 and 2019 goodwill assessments, we performed a quantitative analysis for all five of our reporting units using a combination of income and market approaches, with the assistance of a third-party valuation appraiser. As of August 31, 2020 and 2019, we completed our annual impairment tests for goodwill with all of our reporting units having fair values in excess of their carrying values, resulting in no impairment of goodwill.

The income approach of determining fair value is based on the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at an appropriate risk-adjusted rate. We use our internal forecasts to estimate future cash flows and include an estimate of long-term future growth rates based on our most recent views of the long-term outlook for our business. The market approach of determining fair value is based on comparable market multiples for companies engaged in similar businesses, as well as recent transactions within our industry.

### Intangible Assets

Our intangible assets subject to amortization consist of customer relationships and non-compete agreements. We review long-lived assets to be held-and-used for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of the assets may not be recoverable. An asset is considered to be impaired if the sum of the undiscounted expected future cash flows over the remaining useful life of a long-lived asset group is less than its carrying amount. An impairment loss is measured as the amount by which the carrying amount of the asset group exceeds the fair value of the asset. We estimate fair value using the expected future cash flows discounted at a rate comparable with the risks associated with the recovery of the asset. We amortize intangible assets on a straight-line basis or on a basis consistent with the pattern in which the economic benefits are realized. The range of estimated useful lives by type are as follows:

Classification	Estimated Useful Life
Customer relationships	5 to 16 years
Non-compete agreements	Term of agreement

### **Accrued Expenses**

The components of accrued expenses as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 are as follows:

		As of Dece	mber 3	1,
(In millions)	20	20	2	2019
Accrued salaries and wages	\$	708	\$	478
Accrued transportation and facility charges		559		454
Accrued value-added tax and other taxes		220		163
Other accrued expenses		327		319
Total accrued expenses	\$	1,814	\$	1,414

### Self-Insurance

We use a combination of self-insurance programs and purchased insurance to provide for the costs of medical, casualty, liability, vehicular, cargo and workers' compensation claims. We periodically evaluate our level of insurance coverage and adjust our insurance levels based on risk tolerance and premium expense.

Liabilities for the risks we retain, including estimates of claims incurred but not reported, are not discounted and are estimated, in part, by considering historical cost experience, demographic and severity factors, and judgments about current and expected levels of cost per claim and retention levels. Changes in these assumptions and factors can impact actual costs paid to settle the claims and those amounts may be different than estimates.

### **Advertising Costs**

Advertising costs are expensed as incurred.

### Stockholders' Equity

We retire shares purchased under our share repurchase program and return them to authorized and unissued status. We charge any excess of cost over par value to Additional paid-in capital if a balance is present. If Additional paid-in capital is fully depleted, any remaining excess of cost over par value will be charged to Retained earnings.

### Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

The components of and changes in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) ("AOCI"), net of tax, for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, are as follows:

(In millions)	Cui Trai	reign rrency islation stments	]	Derivative Hedges	Defined enefit Plans Liability	Attri Nonc	s: AOCI butable to ontrolling terests	Att	AOCI tributable to XPO
As of December 31, 2018	\$	(143)	\$	1	\$ (12)	\$	_	\$	(154)
Other comprehensive income (loss)		33		10	(18)		1		26
Amounts reclassified from AOCI		(10)		(6)	(1)				(17)
Net current period other comprehensive income (loss)		23		4	(19)		1		9
As of December 31, 2019		(120)		5	(31)		1		(145)
Other comprehensive income (loss)		121		(17)	(116)		(6)		(18)
Amounts reclassified from AOCI		(9)		15	(1)		<u> </u>		5
Net current period other comprehensive income (loss)		112		(2)	(117)		(6)		(13)
As of December 31, 2020	\$	(8)	\$	3	\$ (148)	\$	(5)	\$	(158)

### Income Taxes

We account for income taxes using the asset and liability method on a legal entity and jurisdictional basis, under which we recognize the amount of taxes payable or refundable for the current year and deferred tax assets and liabilities for the future tax consequences of events that have been recognized in our financial statements or tax returns. Our calculation relies on several factors, including pre-tax earnings, differences between tax laws and accounting rules, statutory tax rates, tax credits, uncertain tax positions, and valuation allowances. We use judgment and estimates in evaluating our tax positions. Valuation allowances are established when, in our judgment, it is more likely than not that our deferred tax assets will not be realized based on all available evidence. We record Global Intangible Low-Taxed Income ("GILTI") tax as a period cost.

Our tax returns are subject to examination by U.S. Federal, state and foreign taxing jurisdictions. We regularly assess the potential outcomes of these examinations and any future examinations for the current or prior years. We recognize tax benefits from uncertain tax positions only if (based on the technical merits of the position) it is more likely than not that the tax positions will be sustained on examination by the tax authority. We adjust these tax liabilities, including related interest and penalties, based on the current facts and circumstances. We report tax-related interest and penalties as a component of income tax expense.

### Foreign Currency Translation and Transactions

The assets and liabilities of our foreign subsidiaries that use their local currency as their functional currency are translated to U.S. dollars ("USD") using the exchange rate prevailing at each balance sheet date, with balance sheet currency translation adjustments recorded in AOCI on our Consolidated Balance Sheets. The assets and liabilities of our foreign subsidiaries whose local currency is not their functional currency are remeasured from their local currency to their functional currency and then translated to USD. The results of operations of our foreign subsidiaries are translated to USD using average exchange rates prevailing for each period presented.

We convert foreign currency transactions recognized on our Consolidated Statements of Income to USD by applying the exchange rate prevailing on the date of the transaction. Gains and losses arising from foreign currency transactions and the effects of remeasuring monetary assets and liabilities are recorded in Foreign currency (gain) loss on our Consolidated Statements of Income.

Foreign currency (gain) loss included on our Consolidated Statements of Income consisted of the following:

	Years Ended December 31,								
(In millions)		2020		2019		2018			
Unrealized foreign currency option and forward contracts (gains) losses	\$	(2)	\$	9	\$	(20)			
Realized foreign currency option, forward and other derivative contracts (gains) losses		(4)				16			
Foreign currency transaction and remeasurement losses		3				7			
Total foreign currency (gain) loss	\$	(3)	\$	9	\$	3			

### Fair Value Measurements

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The levels of inputs used to measure fair value are:

- Level 1—Quoted prices for identical instruments in active markets;
- Level 2—Quoted prices for similar instruments in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar
  instruments in markets that are not active; and model-derived valuations in which all significant inputs are
  observable in active markets; and
- Level 3—Valuations based on inputs that are unobservable, generally utilizing pricing models or other valuation techniques that reflect management's judgment and estimates.

We base our fair value estimates on market assumptions and available information. The carrying values of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable, accrued expenses and current maturities of long-term debt approximated their fair values as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 due to their short-term nature and/or being receivable or payable on demand. The Level 1 cash equivalents include money market funds valued using quoted prices in active markets. The Level 2 cash equivalents include short-term investments valued using published interest rates for instruments with similar terms and maturities. For information on the fair value hierarchy of our derivative instruments, see Note 11—Derivative Instruments and for information on financial liabilities, see Note 12—Debt.

The fair value hierarchy of cash equivalents was as follows:

(In millions)	Carrying V	alue	Fair Val	lue	Level 1	 Level 2
December 31, 2020	\$ 1,	738	\$ 1,	,738	\$ 1,738	\$ _
December 31, 2019		144		144	127	17

### **Derivative Instruments**

We record all derivative instruments on our Consolidated Balance Sheets as assets or liabilities at fair value. Our accounting treatment for changes in the fair value of derivative instruments depends on whether the instruments have been designated and qualify as part of a hedging relationship and on the type of hedging relationship. For those derivative instruments that are designated and qualify as hedging instruments, we must designate the derivative based on the exposure being hedged and assess, both at the hedge's inception and on an ongoing basis, whether the designated derivative instruments are highly effective in offsetting changes in earnings and cash flows of the hedged items. When a derivative instrument is determined not to be highly effective as a hedge or the underlying hedged transaction is no longer probable, hedge accounting is discontinued prospectively. We link cash flow hedges to specific forecasted transactions or variability of cash flow to be paid.

The gain or loss resulting from fair value adjustments on cash flow hedges are recorded in AOCI on our Consolidated Balance Sheets until the hedged item is recognized in earnings and is presented in the same income statement line item as the earnings effect of the hedged item. The gains and losses on the net investment hedges are recorded as cumulative translation adjustments in AOCI to the extent that the instruments are effective in hedging

the designated risk. Gains and losses on cash flow hedges and net investment hedges representing hedge components excluded from the assessment of effectiveness will be amortized into Interest expense on our Consolidated Statements of Income in a systematic manner. Derivatives that are not designated as hedging instruments are adjusted to fair value through earnings and are recorded in Foreign currency (gain) loss on our Consolidated Statements of Income.

### Defined Benefit Pension Plans

We calculate defined benefit pension plan obligations using various actuarial assumptions and methodologies. Assumptions include discount rates, inflation rates, expected long-term rate of return on plan assets, mortality rates, and other factors. The assumptions used in recording the projected benefit obligation and fair value of plan assets represent our best estimates based on available information regarding historical experience and factors that may cause future expectations to differ. Our obligation and future expense amounts could be materially impacted by differences in actual experience or changes in assumptions.

The impact of plan amendments, actuarial gains and losses and prior-service costs are recorded in AOCI and are generally amortized as a component of net periodic benefit cost over the remaining service period of the active employees covered by the defined benefit pension plans. Unamortized gains and losses are amortized only to the extent they exceed 10% of the higher of the fair value of plan assets or the projected benefit obligation of the respective plan.

### Stock-Based Compensation

We account for stock-based compensation based on the equity instrument's grant date fair value. For grants of restricted stock units ("RSUs") subject to service-based or performance-based vesting conditions only, we establish the fair value based on the market price on the date of the grant. For grants of RSUs subject to market-based vesting conditions, we establish the fair value using the Monte Carlo simulation lattice model. We determined the fair value of our stock-based awards based on our stock price and a number of assumptions, including expected volatility, expected life, risk-free interest rate and expected dividends. We account for forfeitures as they occur.

We recognize the grant date fair value of equity awards as compensation cost over the requisite service period. We recognize expense for our performance-based restricted stock units ("PRSUs") over the awards' requisite service period based on the number of awards expected to vest with consideration to the actual and expected financial results. We do not recognize expense until achievement of the performance targets for a PRSU award is considered probable.

### Adoption of New Accounting Standards

In June 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued ASU 2016-13 "Financial Instruments - Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments." The ASU, as subsequently modified, amends the incurred losses impairment method with a method that reflects expected credit losses on certain types of financial instruments, including trade receivables. We adopted this standard on January 1, 2020 and recorded an immaterial adjustment to total equity for the cumulative impact of adoption.

In August 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-15, "Intangibles-Goodwill and Other-Internal-Use Software (Subtopic 350-40): Customer's Accounting for Implementation Costs Incurred in a Cloud Computing Arrangement That Is a Service Contract." The ASU aligns the requirements for capitalizing implementation costs incurred in a hosting arrangement that is a service contract with the requirements for capitalizing implementation costs incurred to develop or obtain internal-use software. Under the guidance, any capitalized implementation costs would be included in prepaid expenses, amortized over the term of the hosting arrangement on a straight-line basis and presented in the same line items in the Consolidated Statement of Income as the expense for fees of the associated hosting arrangements. We adopted this standard on January 1, 2020 on a prospective basis. The adoption did not have a material effect on our consolidated financial statements.

### Accounting Pronouncements Issued but Not Yet Effective

In December 2019, the FASB issued ASU 2019-12, "Income Taxes (Topic 740): Simplifying the Accounting for Income Taxes." The ASU is intended to simplify the accounting for income taxes by removing certain exceptions to the general principles in Topic 740. The ASU also clarifies and amends existing guidance to enhance consistency and comparability among reporting entities. We adopted this standard on January 1, 2021 on a prospective basis. The adoption did not have a material effect on our consolidated financial statements.

In March 2020, the FASB issued ASU 2020-04, "Reference rate reform (Topic 848): Facilitation of the effects of reference rate reform on financial reporting." The ASU provides optional expedients and exceptions for applying GAAP to contracts, hedging relationships and other transactions affected by reference rate reform. The amendments apply only to contracts and hedging relationships that reference London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR") or another reference rate expected to be discontinued due to reference rate reform. The amendments are elective and are effective upon issuance through December 31, 2022. We are currently evaluating the impact of the new guidance.

### 3. Purchases of Noncontrolling Interest

In the third quarter of 2020 and fourth quarter of 2019, we purchased shareholders' noncontrolling interests in XPO Logistics Europe for €17 million (approximately \$21 million) and €234 million (approximately \$258 million), respectively.

### 4. Segment Reporting and Geographic Information

We are organized into two reportable segments: Transportation and Logistics. We evaluate our performance in large part based on the various financial measures of our two reporting segments.

In our Transportation segment, we provide multiple services to facilitate the movement of raw materials, parts and finished goods. We accomplish this by using our proprietary technology, third-party independent carriers and our transportation assets and service centers. Our transportation services include LTL, truck brokerage services and other transportation services.

In our Logistics segment, which we sometimes refer to as supply chain, we provide a wide range of services differentiated by our proprietary technology and our ability to customize solutions for individual customers. Our services include value-added warehousing and distribution, e-commerce and omnichannel fulfillment, cold-chain logistics, packaging and labeling, factory support, aftermarket support, inventory management, order personalization and supply chain optimization, such as product flow management. In addition, our Logistics segment provides reverse logistics, which is also called returns management.

Some of our operating units provide services to our other operating units outside of their reportable segment. Billings for such services are based on negotiated rates and are reflected as revenues of the billing segment. We adjust these rates from time to time based on market conditions. We eliminate intersegment revenues and expenses in our consolidated results.

Corporate includes corporate headquarters costs for executive officers and certain legal and financial functions, and other costs and credits not attributed to our reporting segments.

Our chief operating decision maker ("CODM") regularly reviews financial information at the operating segment level to allocate resources to the segments and to assess their performance. We include items directly attributable to a segment, and those that can be allocated on a reasonable basis, in segment results reported to the CODM. We do not provide asset information by segment to the CODM.

Selected financial data for our segments is as follows:

(In millions)	Tra	nsportation	Logistics	Corporate	E	liminations/ Other	Total	
Year Ended December 31, 2020								
Revenue	\$	10,199	\$ 6,182	\$ _	\$	(129)	\$ 16,252	
Operating income (loss) (1)		507	140	(256)		_	391	
Depreciation and amortization		453	301	12		_	766	
Year Ended December 31, 2019								
Revenue	\$	10,687	\$ 6,093	\$ _	\$	(132)	\$ 16,648	
Operating income (loss) (2)		752	241	(172)		_	821	
Depreciation and amortization		447	277	15		_	739	
Year Ended December 31, 2018								
Revenue	\$	11,343	\$ 6,065	\$ _	\$	(129)	\$ 17,279	
Operating income (loss) (3)		646	216	(158)		_	704	
Depreciation and amortization		461	244	11		_	716	

- (1) Consolidated operating income for 2020 includes \$100 million of transaction and integration costs, of which \$21 million relates to our Transportation segment and \$28 million relates to our Logistics segment, and \$56 million of restructuring expense.
- (2) Consolidated operating income for 2019 includes \$5 million of transaction and integration costs and \$49 million of restructuring expense.
- (3) Consolidated operating income for 2018 includes \$33 million of transaction, integration and rebranding costs, \$21 million of restructuring expense, \$26 million of litigation costs and \$24 million from gain on sale of equity investment.

The transaction and integration costs for 2020 are primarily related to our previously announced exploration of strategic alternatives that was terminated in March 2020 and costs related to our planned acquisition of the Kuehne + Nagel business, as described in Note 19—Subsequent Events. For further information on our restructuring actions, see Note 6—Restructuring Charges to the Consolidated Financial Statements. We also incurred net incremental and direct costs as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020, including costs for personal protective equipment, site cleanings and enhanced employee benefits, such as appreciation pay.

As of December 31, 2020 and 2019, we held long-lived tangible assets outside of the U.S. of \$825 million and \$798 million, respectively.

### 5. Revenue Recognition

### Disaggregation of Revenues

We disaggregate our revenue by geographic area and service offering. Our revenue disaggregated by geographical area, based on sales office location, was as follows:

	Year Ended December 31, 2020								
n millions) Transpo		sportation	Logistics		E	liminations		Total	
Revenue									
United States	\$	7,220	\$	2,220	\$	(43)	\$	9,397	
North America (excluding United States)		311		50		_		361	
France		1,205		643		(13)		1,835	
United Kingdom		677		1,526		(53)		2,150	
Europe (excluding France and United Kingdom)		739		1,654		(17)		2,376	
Other		47		89		(3)		133	
Total	\$	10,199	\$	6,182	\$	(129)	\$	16,252	

Year Ended December 31, 2019

(In millions)	Trar	sportation	Logistics		Eliminations		Total
Revenue							
United States	\$	7,454	\$	2,338	\$	(33)	\$ 9,759
North America (excluding United States)		286		37		_	323
France		1,358		659		(12)	2,005
United Kingdom		760		1,384		(68)	2,076
Europe (excluding France and United Kingdom)		810		1,582		(16)	2,376
Other		19		93		(3)	109
Total	\$	10,687	\$	6,093	\$	(132)	\$ 16,648

### Year Ended December 31, 2018

(In millions)	Trai	nsportation	1 Logistics		Eliminations		Total
Revenue							
United States	\$	8,055	\$	2,196	\$	(19) \$	10,232
North America (excluding United States)		274		67		_	341
France		1,496		687		(18)	2,165
United Kingdom		704		1,436		(70)	2,070
Europe (excluding France and United Kingdom)		793		1,584		(18)	2,359
Other		21		95		(4)	112
Total	\$	11,343	\$	6,065	\$	(129) \$	17,279

Our revenue disaggregated by service offering was as follows:

Years Ended December 31

	Tears Ended December 51,									
(In millions)		2020		2019		2018				
Transportation segment:										
LTL	\$	4,450	\$	4,815	\$	4,839				
Freight brokerage and truckload		4,373		4,383		4,784				
Last mile (1)		908		873		1,065				
Managed transportation		344		496		462				
Global forwarding		300		299		338				
Transportation eliminations		(176)		(179)		(145)				
Total Transportation segment revenue		10,199		10,687		11,343				
Total Logistics segment revenue		6,182		6,093		6,065				
Intersegment eliminations		(129)		(132)		(129)				
Total revenue	\$	16,252	\$	16,648	\$	17,279				

<sup>(1)</sup> Comprised of our North American last mile operations.

### Performance Obligations

Remaining performance obligations represent firm contracts for which services have not been performed and future revenue recognition is expected. As permitted in determining the remaining performance obligation, we omit obligations that: (i) have original expected durations of one year or less or (ii) contain variable consideration. On December 31, 2020, the fixed consideration component of our remaining performance obligation was approximately

\$1.6 billion, and we expect to recognize approximately 75% of that amount over the next three years and the remainder thereafter. The majority of the remaining performance obligation relates to our Logistics reportable segment. We estimate remaining performance obligations at a point in time and actual amounts may differ from these estimates due to changes in foreign currency exchange rates and contract revisions or terminations.

### 6. Restructuring Charges

We engage in restructuring actions as part of our ongoing efforts to best use our resources and infrastructure, including actions in response to COVID-19. These actions generally include severance and facility-related costs, including impairment of right-of-use assets, and are intended to improve our efficiency and profitability.

Restructuring charges were recorded on our Consolidated Statements of Income as follows:

	Years Ended December 31,								
(In millions)	2020			2019	2018				
Cost of transportation and services	\$	1	\$	2	\$				
Direct operating expense		7		1		1			
Sales, general and administrative expense		48		46		20			
Total	\$	56	\$	49	\$	21			

We recognized \$3 million, \$21 million and \$19 million of restructuring charges in the fourth quarter of 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

Our restructuring-related activity was as follows:

			Year I	Ended	December 3	1, 2020				
(In millions)	Reserve Balance as of December 31, 2019		narges curred	Pa	nyments	Exch	oreign ange and Other	Reserve Balance as of December 31, 2020		
Severance										
Transportation	\$ 12	\$	17	\$	(22)	\$		\$	7	
Logistics	11		21		(14)		1		19	
Corporate	2		11		(10)		(1)		2	
<b>Total severance</b>	25		49		(46)				28	
Facilities										
Transportation	_		6		_		(1)		5	
Logistics			1		(1)					
<b>Total facilities</b>			7		(1)		(1)		5	
Total	\$ 25	\$	56	\$	(47)	\$	(1)	\$	33	

We expect the majority of the cash outlays related to the charges incurred in 2020 will be complete within twelve months.

Year Ended December 31, 2019 Foreign Reserve Balance as of Charges Exchange and Other Reserve Balance as of December 31, 2019 (In millions) December 31, 2018 Incurred **Payments** Severance \$ \$ 12 Transportation 30 \$ (26) \$ (1) \$ Logistics 5 14 (8)11 Corporate 2 3 (3) 2 25 **Total severance** 16 47 (1) (37)**Facilities** Transportation (2) **Total facilities** 2 (2) \$ 49 25 Total 16 \$ \$ (39) \$ (1) \$

The majority of the cash outlays related to the charges incurred in 2019 were substantially complete by the end of 2020.

### 7. Property and Equipment

	December 31,				
(In millions)	2020		2019		
Property and equipment					
Land	\$ 303	\$	334		
Buildings and leasehold improvements	648		648		
Vehicles, tractors, trailers and tankers	1,817		1,726		
Machinery and equipment	1,152		949		
Computer software and equipment	1,309		1,101		
	5,229		4,758		
Less: accumulated depreciation and amortization	 (2,568)		(2,054)		
Total property and equipment, net	\$ 2,661	\$	2,704		
Net book value of capitalized internally-developed software included in property and equipment, net	\$ 332	\$	333		

Depreciation of property and equipment and amortization of computer software was \$616 million, \$577 million and \$546 million for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

### 8. Leases

### Adoption of Topic 842, "Leases"

On January 1, 2019, we adopted ASU 2016-02, "Leases", and its related amendments (Topic 842) prospectively through a cumulative-effect adjustment with no restatement of prior period financial statements. Beginning in 2019, net operating lease activity, including the reduction of the operating lease asset and the accretion of the operating lease liability, are reflected in Depreciation, amortization and net lease activity on our Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows. The adoption of Topic 842 did not have a material impact on our Consolidated Statements of Income and our Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

### Nature of Leases

Most of our leases are real estate leases. In addition, we lease trucks, trailers, containers and material handling equipment.

The components of our lease expense and gain realized on sale-leaseback transactions were as follows:

		er 31,			
(In millions)		2020			
Operating lease cost	\$	748	\$	696	
Short-term lease cost		141		144	
Variable lease cost		94		90	
Total operating lease cost	\$	983	\$	930	
Finance lease cost:					
Amortization of leased assets	\$	67	\$	53	
Interest on lease liabilities		9		7	
Total finance lease cost	\$	76	\$	60	
Total lease cost	\$	1,059	\$	990	
Gain recognized on sale-leaseback transactions (1)	\$	84	\$	99	

<sup>(1)</sup> For the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, we completed multiple sale-leaseback transactions for land and buildings, including a sale and partial leaseback of our shared-services center in Portland, Oregon in 2019. We received aggregate cash proceeds of \$143 million and \$203 million in 2020 and 2019, respectively. Gains on sale-leaseback transactions are included in Direct operating expense in our Consolidated Statements of Income.

Supplemental balance sheet information related to leases was as follows:

	December 31,									
(In millions)		2020		2019						
Operating leases:										
Operating lease assets	\$	2,278	\$	2,245						
Short-term operating lease liabilities	\$	483	\$	468						
Operating lease liabilities		1,795		1,776						
Total operating lease liabilities	\$	2,278	\$	2,244						
Finance leases:										
Property and equipment, gross	\$	591	\$	483						
Accumulated depreciation		(184)		(125)						
Property and equipment, net	\$	407	\$	358						
Short-term borrowings and current maturities of long-term debt	\$	89	\$	58						
Long-term debt		320		288						
Total finance lease liabilities	\$	409	\$	346						
Weighted-average remaining lease term										
Operating leases		6 years		7 years						
Finance leases		8 years		7 years						
Weighted-average discount rate										
Operating leases		4.82 %		5.16 %						
Finance leases		3.10 %		2.69 %						

Supplemental cash flow information related to leases was as follows:

	Years Ended December 31,									
(In millions)		2020		2019						
Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease liabilities:										
Operating cash flows for operating leases	\$	774	\$	704						
Operating cash flows for finance leases		9		7						
Financing cash flows for finance leases		76		62						
Leased assets obtained in exchange for new lease obligations:										
Operating leases		670		823						
Finance leases		85		103						

Property and equipment acquired through capital leases was \$111 million for the year ended December 31, 2018. Additionally, non-cash investing activities for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 included \$30 million and \$39 million of property and equipment additions for build-to-suit leases.

Maturities of lease liabilities as of December 31, 2020 were as follows:

(In millions)	Finance	Leases	Opera	ting Leases
2021	\$	97	\$	579
2022		88		530
2023		81		427
2024		64		316
2025		43		231
Thereafter		106		635
Total lease payments	\$	479	\$	2,718
Less: interest		(70)		(440)
Present value of lease liabilities	\$	409	\$	2,278

As of December 31, 2020, we had additional operating leases that have not yet commenced with future undiscounted lease payments of \$202 million. These operating leases will commence in 2021 through 2022 with initial lease terms of 2 years to 15 years.

Rent expense was \$820 million for the year ended December 31, 2018.

### 9. Goodwill

(In millions)	Ti	ransportation	 Logistics	Total
Goodwill as of December 31, 2018	\$	2,520	\$ 1,947	\$ 4,467
Impact of foreign exchange translation and other		(46)	29	(17)
Goodwill as of December 31, 2019		2,474	1,976	4,450
Impact of foreign exchange translation and other		62	87	149
Goodwill as of December 31, 2020	\$	2,536	\$ 2,063	\$ 4,599

There are no cumulative goodwill impairments as of December 31, 2020.

### 10. Intangible Assets

	 Decembe	r 31, 20	20	December 31, 2019						
(In millions)	s Carrying Amount		cumulated ortization		s Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization				
Definite-lived intangibles										
Customer relationships	\$ 1,883	\$	909	\$	1,875	\$	784			

We did not recognize any impairment of our identified intangible assets in 2020 and 2018. We recorded a non-cash, pre-tax charge of \$6 million in 2019 related to the impairment of customer relationships intangibles associated with exiting our direct postal injection business.

Estimated future amortization expense for amortizable intangible assets for the next five years is as follows:

(In millions)	2021	2022		2023		2024	2025	Thereafter		
Estimated amortization expense	\$ 138	\$ 128	\$	112	\$	108	\$ 103	\$	385	

Actual amounts of amortization expense may differ from estimated amounts due to changes in foreign currency exchange rates, additional intangible asset acquisitions, future impairment of intangible assets, accelerated amortization of intangible assets and other events.

Intangible asset amortization expense recorded in Sales, general and administrative expense ("SG&A") was \$144 million, \$156 million and \$159 million for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

### 11. Derivative Instruments

In the normal course of business, we are exposed to risks arising from business operations and economic factors, including fluctuations in interest rates and foreign currencies. We use derivative instruments to manage the volatility related to these exposures. The objective of these derivative instruments is to reduce fluctuations in our earnings and cash flows associated with changes in foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates. These financial instruments are not used for trading or other speculative purposes. Historically, we have not incurred, and do not expect to incur in the future, any losses as a result of counterparty default.

The fair value of our derivative instruments and the related notional amounts were as follows:

		December 31, 2020													
			Derivative Asse	ets		<b>Derivative Liabilities</b>									
(In millions)	Notional Amount Balance Sheet Caption				Fair ⁄alue	Balance Sheet Caption		Fair ⁄alue							
Derivatives designated as hedges															
Cross-currency swap agreements	\$	450	Other current assets	\$	_	Other current liabilities	\$	(44)							
Cross-currency swap agreements		740	Other long-term assets		_	Other long-term liabilities		(65)							
Interest rate swaps		2,003	Other current assets			Other current liabilities		(4)							
Total				\$			\$	(113)							

	December 31, 2019													
			Derivative Asse	ets		<b>Derivative Liabilities</b>								
(In millions)	Notional Amount		<b>Balance Sheet Caption</b>	Fair Value		Balance Sheet Caption		air alue						
Derivatives designated as hedges														
Cross-currency swap agreements	\$	1,233	Other long-term assets	\$	_	Other long-term liabilities	\$	(18)						
Interest rate swap		2,003	Other current assets		_	Other current liabilities		(7)						
Derivatives not designated as hedges														
Foreign currency option contracts		365	Other current assets		1	Other current liabilities		_						
Total				\$	1		\$	(25)						

The derivatives are classified as Level 2 within the fair value hierarchy. The derivatives are valued using inputs other than quoted prices such as foreign exchange rates and yield curves.

The effect of derivative and nonderivative instruments designated as hedges on our Consolidated Statements of Income was as follows:

	Recog	gniz hens	of Gain (Loss) zed in Other sive Income on rivatives  Amount of Gain (Loss) Reclassified from AOCI into Net Income  Years Ended December 31,						CI	Amount of Gain Recognized in Income on Derivative (Amount Excluded from Effectiveness Testing)							
(In millions)	 2020	2	019	2	018		020		019		018	2	020	20	019	20	18
Derivatives designated as cash flow hedges	,																
Cross-currency swap agreements	\$ (12)	\$	7	\$	13	\$	(15)	\$	5	\$	17	\$	_	\$	1	\$	1
Interest rate swaps	(5)		5		_		_		_		_		_		_		_
Derivatives designated as net investment hedges																	
Cross-currency swap agreements	 (81)		55		52						_		9		10		4
Total	\$ (98)	\$	67	\$	65	\$	(15)	\$	5	\$	17	\$	9	\$	11	\$	5

The pre-tax gain (loss) recognized in earnings for foreign currency option and forward contracts not designated as hedging instruments was a gain of \$1 million, a loss of \$9 million and a gain of \$4 million for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively. These amounts are recorded in Foreign currency (gain) loss on our Consolidated Statements of Income.

### Cross-Currency Swap Agreements

We enter into cross-currency swap agreements to manage the foreign currency exchange risk related to our international operations by effectively converting our fixed-rate USD-denominated debt, including the associated interest payments, to fixed-rate, euro ("EUR")-denominated debt. The risk management objective of these transactions is to manage foreign currency risk relating to net investments in subsidiaries denominated in foreign currencies and reduce the variability in the functional currency equivalent cash flows of this debt.

During the term of the swap contracts, we will receive interest, either on a quarterly or semi-annual basis, from the counterparties based on USD fixed interest rates, and we will pay interest, also on a quarterly or semi-annual basis, to the counterparties based on EUR fixed interest rates. At maturity, we will repay the original principal amount in EUR and receive the principal amount in USD. These agreements expire at various dates through 2024.

We designated these cross-currency swaps as qualifying hedging instruments and account for them as net investment hedges. We apply the simplified method of assessing the effectiveness of our net investment hedging relationships. Under this method, for each reporting period, the change in the fair value of the cross-currency swaps is initially recognized in AOCI. The change in the fair value due to foreign exchange remains in AOCI and the initial component excluded from effectiveness testing will initially remain in AOCI and then will be reclassified from

AOCI to Interest expense each period in a systematic manner. For net investment hedges that were de-designated prior to their maturity, the amounts in AOCI will remain in AOCI until the subsidiary is sold or substantially liquidated. Cash flows related to the periodic exchange of interest payments for these net investment hedges are included in Operating activities on our Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

We also enter into cross-currency swap agreements to manage the related foreign currency exposure from intercompany loans. We designated these cross-currency swaps as qualifying hedging instruments and account for them as cash flow hedges. Gains and losses resulting from the change in the fair value of the cross-currency swaps are initially recognized in AOCI and reclassified to Foreign currency (gain) loss to offset the foreign exchange impact in earnings created by the intercompany loans. Cash flows related to these cash flow hedges are included in Operating activities on our Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

### Interest Rate Hedging

We execute short-term interest rate swaps to mitigate variability in forecasted interest payments on our Senior Secured Term Loan Credit Agreement (the "Term Loan Credit Agreement"). The interest rate swaps convert floating-rate interest payments into fixed rate interest payments. We designated the interest rate swaps as qualifying hedging instruments and account for these derivatives as cash flow hedges. The interest rate swaps mature on various dates through 2021.

We record gains and losses resulting from fair value adjustments to the designated portion of interest rate swaps in AOCI and reclassify them to Interest expense on the dates that interest payments accrue. Cash flows related to the interest rate swaps are included in Operating activities on our Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

### Foreign Currency Option and Forward Contracts

We use foreign currency option contracts to mitigate the risk of a reduction in the value of earnings from our operations that use the EUR or the British pound sterling as their functional currency. Additionally, we use foreign currency forward contracts to mitigate exposure from intercompany loans that are not designated as permanent and can create volatility in earnings. The foreign currency contracts (both option and forward contracts) are used to manage our exposure to foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations and are not speculative. The contracts generally expire in 12 months or less. We had no outstanding contracts as of December 31, 2020. As of December 31, 2019, the contracts were not designated as qualifying hedging instruments. Gains or losses on the contracts are recorded in Foreign currency (gain) loss on our Consolidated Statements of Income. Cash flows related to the foreign currency contracts are included in Investing activities on our Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, consistent with the nature and purpose for which these derivatives were acquired.

### 12. Debt

		Decembe	r 31,	December 31, 2019				
(In millions)	Principal Balance			rrying Value		incipal alance		rying alue
ABL facility	\$	200	\$	200	\$	_	\$	_
Term loan facilities		2,003		1,974		2,003		1,969
6.50% Senior notes due 2022		1,200		1,195		1,200		1,192
6.125% Senior notes due 2023		535		531		535		530
6.75% Senior notes due 2024		1,000		989		1,000		987
6.25% Senior notes due 2025		1,150		1,138		_		
6.70% Senior debentures due 2034		300		210		300		208
Borrowings related to securitization program		50		50		_		
Finance leases, asset financing and other		420		420		380		380
Total debt		6,858		6,707		5,418		5,266
Short-term borrowings and current maturities of long-term debt		1,343		1,338		84		84
Long-term debt	\$	5,515	\$	5,369	\$	5,334	\$	5,182

The fair value of our debt and classification in the fair value hierarchy was as follows:

(In millions)	Fa	ir Value	 Level 1	Level 2		
December 31, 2020	\$	7,094	\$ 4,431	\$	2,663	
December 31, 2019		5,580	3,190		2,390	

We valued Level 1 debt using quoted prices in active markets. We valued Level 2 debt using bid evaluation pricing models or quoted prices of securities with similar characteristics. The fair value of the asset financing arrangements approximates carrying value as the debt is primarily issued at a floating rate, the debt may be prepaid at any time at par without penalty, and the remaining life of the debt is short-term in nature.

Our principal payment obligations on debt (excluding finance leases) for the next five years and thereafter was as follows:

(In millions)	2	2021 (1)	2022	2023 2024		2025	Thereafter			
Principal payments on debt	\$	1,254	\$ 1	\$	535	\$	1,001	\$ 3,353	\$	300

<sup>(1)</sup> In January 2021, we redeemed the outstanding balance of our senior notes due June 2022 (the "Senior Notes due 2022").

### ABL Facility

In 2015, we entered into a revolving loan credit agreement (the "ABL Facility") that provided commitments of up to \$1.0 billion with a maturity date of October 30, 2020. In April 2019, we amended the ABL Facility including: (i) increasing the commitments to \$1.1 billion, (ii) extending the maturity date to April 30, 2024, subject to springing maturity if some of our senior notes reach specified levels set in the credit agreement and (iii) reducing the interest rate margin. We can issue up to \$350 million of letters of credit under the ABL Facility.

Our availability under the ABL Facility is equal to the borrowing base less advances and outstanding letters of credit. Our borrowing base includes a fixed percentage of: (i) our eligible U.S. and Canadian accounts receivable; plus (ii) any of our eligible U.S. and Canadian rolling stock and equipment. A maximum of 20% of our borrowing base can be equipment and rolling stock in the aggregate. As of December 31, 2020, our borrowing base was \$1.1 billion and our availability was \$883 million, after considering outstanding borrowings of \$200 million and outstanding letters of credit of \$17 million. As of December 31, 2020, we were in compliance with the ABL Facility's financial covenants.

Our loans under the ABL Facility bear interest at a rate equal to: LIBOR or base rate plus (i) an applicable margin of 1.25% to 1.50% for LIBOR loans or (ii) 0.25% to 0.50%, for base rate loans. The average interest rate on outstanding borrowings as of December 31, 2020 was 1.40%.

The ABL Facility is secured on a first lien basis by the assets of the credit parties as priority collateral and on a second lien basis by certain other assets. The priority collateral consists primarily of our U.S. and Canadian accounts receivable and any of our U.S. and Canadian rolling stock and equipment included in our borrowing base. The ABL Facility contains representations and warranties, affirmative and negative covenants and events of default customary for agreements of this nature.

The covenants in the ABL Facility can limit our ability to incur indebtedness; grant liens; engage in certain mergers, consolidations, acquisitions and dispositions; make certain investments and restricted payments; and enter into certain transactions with affiliates. We may also be required to maintain a Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio (as defined in the ABL Facility) of not less than 1.00 if availability under the ABL Facility is below certain thresholds. As of December 31, 2020, we were compliant with this financial covenant.

### Secured Debt

In April 2020, we entered into a Senior Secured Term Loan Credit Agreement, comprised of a \$150 million committed secured term loan facility and a \$200 million uncommitted secured evergreen letter of credit facility. We did not draw on the term loan facility through its term, which ended in January 2021.

Letters of credit under the letter of credit facility shall expire within one year of issuance and may contain automatic one-year renewals until the letter of credit facility terminates. As of December 31, 2020, we have issued \$200 million in aggregate face amount of letters of credit under the facility. The credit agreement governing the term loan and letter of credit facilities contains representations and warranties and affirmative and negative covenants customary for financings of this type as well as customary events of default.

### Term Loan Facilities

In 2015, we entered into a Term Loan Credit Agreement that provided for a single borrowing of \$1.6 billion. The Term Loan Credit Agreement was issued at an original issue discount of \$32 million. In 2018, we refinanced our term loans by replacing the outstanding \$1.5 billion principal amount of term loans (the "Initial Term Loans") with \$1.5 billion in aggregate principal amount of new term loans (the "Present Term Loans"). Our Present Term Loans have substantially similar terms as our Initial Term Loans, except for the interest rate and maturity date, prepayment premiums and some other amendments to the restrictive covenants. We used the proceeds from the Present Term Loans to refinance the Initial Term Loans and to pay interest, fees and expenses in connection with this refinancing. We recorded a debt extinguishment loss of \$10 million in 2018 due to this refinancing. We amended the Term Loan Credit Agreement in 2019 to include a new tranche of term loans (the "Incremental Term Loan Facility"), to reduce the interest rates and to extend the maturity dates. Net proceeds from borrowings under the Incremental Term Loan Facility were used for general corporate purposes, including to fund purchases of our common stock described in Note 14—Stockholders' Equity. The loans under the Incremental Term Loan Facility were issued at a price of 99.50% of par. The interest rates on the Present Term Loans and the Incremental Term Loans were 2.15% and 2.66%, respectively, as of December 31, 2020. As of December 31, 2020 and 2019, the applicable terms of the Term Loan Credit Agreement, as amended, were as follows:

(In millions)	Present	Term Loans	Incremental Term Loan				
Amounts outstanding at December 31, 2020 and 2019:							
Facility	\$	1,503	\$	500			
Interest spread:							
Base rate loans		1.00 %		1.50 %			
LIBOR loans		2.00 %		2.50 %			
Maturity date	]	February 2025		February 2025			

We must prepay an aggregate principal amount of the term loan facility equal to (a) 50% of any Excess Cash Flow, as defined in the agreement, for the most recent fiscal year ended, minus (b) the sum of (i) all voluntary prepayments of loans during the fiscal year and (ii) all voluntary prepayments of loans under the ABL Facility or any other revolving credit facilities during the fiscal year if accompanied by a corresponding permanent reduction in the commitments under the credit agreement or any other revolving credit facilities in the case of each of the immediately preceding clauses (i) and (ii), if such prepayments are funded with internally generated cash flow, as defined in the agreement. If our Consolidated Secured Net Leverage Ratio, as defined in the agreement, for the fiscal year was less than or equal to 3.00:1.00 and greater than 2.50:1.00, the Excess Cash Flow percentage will be 25%. If our Consolidated Secured Net Leverage Ratio for the fiscal year was less than or equal to 2.50:1.00, the Excess Cash Flow percentage will be 0%. The remaining principal is due at maturity. As of December 31, 2020, our Consolidated Secured Net Leverage Ratio was less than 2.50:1.00, and no excess cash payment was required.

### Senior Notes

In the second quarter of 2020, we completed private placements of \$1.15 billion aggregate principal amount of Senior Notes due 2025. The Senior Notes due 2025 mature on May 1, 2025 and bear interest at a rate of 6.25% per annum. Interest on the notes is paid semi-annually. \$850 million of the notes were issued at par, and \$300 million of the notes were issued subsequently at 101.75% of face value. Net proceeds from the notes were invested in cash and cash equivalents.

In February 2019, we completed a private placement of \$1.0 billion aggregate principal amount of senior notes ("Senior Notes due 2024"). We used the proceeds from the Senior Notes due 2024 to repay our outstanding obligation under the Unsecured Credit Facility described below and to finance a portion of our share repurchases described in Note 14—Stockholders' Equity.

In July 2018, we redeemed \$400 million of the then \$1.6 billion outstanding Senior Notes due 2022 that were originally issued in 2015. The redemption price for the Senior Notes due 2022 was 103.25% of the principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest. We paid for the redemption primarily with funds from the settlement of our forward sale agreements, described in Note 14—Stockholders' Equity. We recorded a debt extinguishment loss of \$17 million in 2018 due to this redemption. In January 2021, we redeemed the remaining balance of the Senior Notes due 2022. For additional information, see Note 19—Subsequent Events.

The senior notes bear interest payable semiannually, in cash in arrears. The Senior Notes due 2025 mature on May 1, 2025, the Senior Notes due 2024 mature on August 15, 2024, the Senior Notes due September 2023 mature on September 1, 2023 and the Senior Notes due 2022 mature on June 15, 2022.

The senior notes are guaranteed by each of our direct and indirect wholly-owned restricted subsidiaries (other than some excluded subsidiaries) that are obligors under, or guarantee obligations under, our ABL Facility or existing term loan facilities or guarantee certain of our capital markets indebtedness or any guaranter of the senior notes. The senior notes and its guarantees are unsecured, unsubordinated indebtedness for us and our guarantors. The senior notes contain covenants customary for notes of this nature.

### Senior Debentures

We assumed Con-way's 6.70% Senior Debentures due 2034 (the "Senior Debentures") with an aggregate principal amount of \$300 million when we acquired Con-way. The Senior Debentures bear interest payable semiannually, in cash in arrears, and mature on May 1, 2034. Including amortization of the fair value adjustment recorded on the acquisition date, interest expense on the Senior Debentures is recognized at an annual effective interest rate of 10.96%.

### Trade Securitization Program

As discussed in Note 2—Basis of Presentation and Significant Accounting Policies, XPO Logistics Europe participates in a trade receivables securitization program. Under the program, a wholly-owned bankruptcy-remote special purpose entity of XPO Logistics Europe sells trade receivables that originate with wholly-owned subsidiaries of XPO Logistics Europe in the United Kingdom and France to unaffiliated entities managed by the Purchasers. The special purpose entity is a variable interest entity and is consolidated by XPO based on our control of the entity's

activities. The program will expire in July 2022 and contains financial covenants customary for this type of arrangement, including maintaining a defined average days sales outstanding ratio. In 2019, XPO Logistics Europe terminated a prior trade receivables securitization program and paid off the notes associated with the program, which had been included in our debt balances.

Our trade receivables securitization program permits us to borrow, on an unsecured basis, cash collected in a servicing capacity on previously sold receivables. These borrowings are owed to the program's Purchasers and are included in short-term debt until they are repaid in the following month's settlement.

### **Unsecured Credit Facility**

In December 2018, we entered into a \$500 million unsecured credit facility ("Unsecured Credit Facility"). As of December 31, 2018, we had borrowed \$250 million under the facility. We borrowed an additional \$250 million in January 2019. We used the proceeds of both borrowings to finance a portion of our share repurchases described in Note 14—Stockholders' Equity. In connection with the issuance of the Senior Notes due 2024 described above, we repaid our outstanding obligations under the Unsecured Credit Facility and terminated it in February 2019. We recorded a debt extinguishment loss of \$5 million in 2019 in connection with this repayment.

### Asset Financing

We use unsecured asset financing arrangements to purchase trucks in Europe. These financing arrangements are denominated in EUR, generally with floating interest rates. As of December 31, 2020, interest rates on asset financing range from 0.85% to 1.06%, with a weighted average interest rate of 0.99%, and initial terms range from 6 years to 10 years.

### 13. Employee Benefit Plans

### **Defined Benefit Pension Plans**

We sponsor both funded and unfunded defined benefit pension plans for some employees in the United States. These pension plans include qualified plans that are eligible for beneficial treatment under the Internal Revenue Code and non-qualified plans that provide additional benefits for employees who are impacted by limitations on compensation eligible for benefits available under the qualified plans. We also sponsor a separate defined benefit pension plan for some employees in the United Kingdom. Both the U.S. plans and the U.K. plan do not allow for new plan participants or additional benefit accruals. We also maintain defined benefit pension plans for some of our foreign subsidiaries that are excluded from the disclosures below due to their immateriality.

We measure defined benefit pension plan obligations based on the present value of projected future benefit payments for all participants for services rendered to date. The projected benefit obligation is a measure of benefits attributed to service to date, assuming that the plan continues in effect and that estimated future events (including turnover and mortality) occur. We determine the net periodic benefit costs using assumptions regarding the projected benefit obligation and the fair value of plan assets as of the beginning of the year. Net periodic benefit costs are recorded in Other income on our Consolidated Statements of Income. We calculate the funded status of the defined benefit pension plans, which represents the difference between the projected benefit obligation and the fair value of plan assets, on a plan-by-plan basis.

### Funded Status of Defined Benefit Pension Plans

The reconciliation of the changes in the plans' projected benefit obligations as of December 31 was as follows:

	U.S. Plans				U.K.	Plar	1	
(In millions)	2020		2019		2020			2019
Projected benefit obligation at beginning of year	\$	1,862	\$	1,659	\$	1,323	\$	1,164
Interest cost		54		66		23		29
Actuarial loss		216		214		159		136
Benefits paid		(80)		(77)		(55)		(56)
Foreign currency exchange rate changes and other						50		50
Projected benefit obligation at end of year (1)	\$	2,052	\$	1,862	\$	1,500	\$	1,323

<sup>(1)</sup> As of December 31, 2020 and 2019, the accumulated benefit obligations for the U.K. plan was equal to the projected benefit obligations.

Actuarial losses were a result of assumption changes, including a decrease in the discount rate, updated mortality projection scales and other assumptions for plan participants, and an increase in assumed inflation for the U.K. plan.

The reconciliation of the changes in the fair value of plan assets as of December 31 was as follows:

U.S. Plans				ıs	U.K. Plan					
(In millions)		2020		2019		2020		2019		
Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year	\$	1,863	\$	1,582	\$	1,362	\$	1,227		
Actual return on plan assets		274		353		120		138		
Employer contributions		5		5		3		2		
Benefits paid		(80)		(77)		(55)		(56)		
Foreign currency exchange rate changes		_		_		46		51		
Fair value of plan assets at end of year	\$	2,062	\$	1,863	\$	1,476	\$	1,362		

The funded status of the plans as of December 31 was as follows:

	U.S. Plans			U.K. Plan				
(In millions)	2	2020		2019		2020		2019
Funded status at end of year	\$	10	\$	1	\$	(24)	\$	39
Amount recognized in balance sheet:								
Long-term assets	\$	88	\$	76	\$	_	\$	39
Current liabilities		(5)		(6)		_		_
Long-term liabilities		(73)		(69)		(24)		_
Net pension asset (liability) recognized	\$	10	\$	1	\$	(24)	\$	39
Plans with projected and accumulated benefit obligation in excess of plan assets:								
Projected and accumulated benefit obligation	\$	78	\$	75	\$	1,500	\$	_
Fair value of plan assets		_		_		1,476		_

The funded status of our qualified plans and non-qualified plans was \$88 million and \$(78) million, respectively, at December 31, 2020. Qualified plans are eligible for certain beneficial treatment under the Internal Revenue Code ("IRC"), while non-qualified plans do not meet the IRC criteria.

The amounts included in AOCI that have not yet been recognized in net periodic benefit expense as of December 31 were as follows:

	 U.S. Plans						1
(In millions)	 2020		2019		2020		2019
Actuarial loss	\$ (50)	\$	(5)	\$	(158)	\$	(54)
Prior-service credit	 				17		18
AOCI	\$ (50)	\$	(5)	\$	(141)	\$	(36)

The net periodic benefit cost and amounts recognized in Other comprehensive income (loss) for the years ended December 31 was as follows:

	U.S. Plans						U.K. Plan							
(In millions)	2	2020		2019		2018		2020		2019	2	2018		
Net periodic benefit (income) expense:														
Interest cost	\$	54	\$	66	\$	59	\$	23	\$	29	\$	28		
Expected return on plan assets		(102)		(90)		(92)		(57)		(58)		(67)		
Amortization of prior-service credit								(1)		(1)		(2)		
Net periodic benefit income	\$	(48)	\$	(24)	\$	(33)	\$	(35)	\$	(30)	\$	(41)		
Amounts recognized in Other comprehensive income (loss):														
Actuarial (gain) loss	\$	45	\$	(49)	\$	58	\$	90	\$	57	\$	40		
Prior-service cost		_						1		_		19		
Reclassification of prior-service credit to net periodic benefit income								1		1		2		
(Gain) loss recognized in Other comprehensive income (loss)	\$	45	\$	(49)	\$	58	\$	92	\$	58	\$	61		

The weighted-average assumptions used to determine the net periodic benefit costs and benefit obligations for the year ended December 31 were as follows:

	U.S.	Qualified P	lans	U.S. N	on-Qualified	l Plans			
	2020	2019	2018	2020	2019	2018	2020	2019	2018
Discount rate - net periodic benefit costs	2.96 %	4.08 %	3.14% <b>-</b> 3.38%	2.40% - 2.78%	3.65% - 3.95%	2.84% - 3.21%	1.84 %	2.56 %	2.21 %
Discount rate - benefit obligations	2.48 %	3.35 %	4.18% - 4.39%	1.62% - 2.30%	2.72% - 3.20%	3.93% - 4.28%	1.37 %	2.04 %	2.85 %
Expected long-term rate of return on plan assets	5.60 %	5.80 %	3.00% - 5.40%				4.40 %	4.85 %	4.95 %

No rate of compensation increase was assumed as the plans are frozen to additional participant benefit accruals.

We use a full yield curve approach to estimate the interest cost component of net periodic benefit cost by applying specific spot rates along the yield curve used to determine the benefit obligation to each of the underlying projected cash flows based on time until payment.

Expected benefit payments for the defined benefit pension plans are summarized below. These estimates are based on assumptions about future events. Actual benefit payments may vary from these estimates.

(In millions)	U.S	. Plans	U.K. Plan		
Year ending December 31:					
2021	\$	92	\$	50	
2022		95		52	
2023		98		52	
2024		100		55	
2025		102		55	
2026-2030		529		297	

### Plan Assets

### U.S. Plans

We manage the assets in the U.S. plans using a long-term liability-driven investment strategy that seeks to mitigate the funded status volatility by increasing participation in fixed income investments as the plan's funded status increases. We developed this strategy by analyzing a variety of diversified asset-class combinations with the projected liabilities.

Our current investment strategy is to achieve an investment mix of approximately 85% in fixed income securities and 15% of investments in equity securities. The fixed income allocation consists primarily of domestic fixed income securities and targets to hedge more than 92% of domestic projected liabilities. The target allocations for equity securities includes approximately 55% in U.S. equities and approximately 45% in non-U.S. equities. Investments in equity and fixed income securities consist of individual securities held in managed separate accounts and commingled investment funds. Generally, our investment strategy does not include an allocation to cash and cash equivalents but a cash allocation may arise periodically in response to timing considerations regarding contributions, investments, and the payment of benefits and eligible plan expenses. We periodically evaluate our defined benefit plans' asset portfolios for significant concentrations of risk. Types of investment concentration risks that are evaluated include concentrations in a single issuer, specific security, asset class, credit rating, duration, industry/sector, currency, foreign country or individual fund manager. As of December 31, 2020, our defined benefit plan assets had no significant concentrations of risk.

Our investment policy does not allow investment managers to use market-timing strategies or financial derivative instruments for speculative purposes but financial derivative instruments are used to manage risk and achieve stated investment objectives for duration, yield curve, credit, foreign exchange and equity exposures. Generally, our investment managers are prohibited from short selling, trading on margin, and trading commodities, warrants or other options, except when acquired as a result of the purchase of another security, or in the case of options, when sold as part of a covered position.

The assumption of 5.60% for the overall expected long-term rate of return on plan assets in 2020 was developed using asset allocation and return expectations. The return expectations are created using long-term historical and expected returns and current market expectations for inflation, interest rates and economic growth.

### U.K. Plan

Our U.K. Plan's assets are separated from our assets and invested by trustees, which include our representatives, with the goal of meeting the U.K. Plan's projected future pension liabilities. The trustees' investment objectives are to meet the performance target set in the deficit recovery plan of the U.K. Plan in a risk-controlled framework. The actual asset allocations of the U.K. Plan are in line with the target asset allocations. The trustees have approved a transition in 2021 to a new target strategic asset allocation for the U.K. Plan that consists of approximately 40% matching assets (U.K. gilts and cash) and approximately 60% growth and income assets (consisting of a range of

pooled funds investing in structured equities, investment grade and high yield bonds and asset-backed securities). The target asset allocations of the U.K. Plan include acceptable ranges for each asset class.

Collateral assets consist of U.K. fixed-interest gilts, index-linked gilts and cash, which are used to back derivative positions that hedge the sensitivity of the liabilities to changes in interest rates and inflation. On the U.K. Plan Actuary's Technical Provisions funding basis, approximately 95% of the liability interest rate sensitivity and 105% of the liability inflation sensitivity were hedged as of December 31, 2020. The expected long-term rate of return on plan assets in 2020 was 4.40%. Our approach to determine the expected long-term rate of return on plan assets is consistent with the one we used for the U.S. Plans.

The fair values of investments held in the pension plans by major asset category as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, and the percentage that each asset category comprises of total plan assets were as follows:

	December 31, 2020								
(Dollars in millions)		Level 1		Level 2		Not Subject to Leveling (1)		Total	Percentage of Plan Assets
Asset category (U.S. Qualified Plans)									
Cash and cash equivalents:									
Short-term investment fund	\$	_	\$	_	\$	37	\$	37	1.8 %
Equity:									
U.S. large companies		_		_		136		136	6.6 %
U.S. small companies						33		33	1.6 %
International		53		_		102		155	7.5 %
Fixed income securities		425		1,274		1		1,700	82.5 %
Derivatives		_		1		_		1	— %
Total U.S. Plan assets	\$	478	\$	1,275	\$	309	\$	2,062	100.0 %
Asset category (U.K. Plan)									
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	17	\$	_	\$	_	\$	17	1.2 %
Fixed income securities		_		883		495		1,378	93.3 %
Derivatives		_		4		77		81	5.5 %
Total U.K. Plan assets	\$	17	\$	887	\$	572	\$	1,476	100.0 %

<sup>(1)</sup> Investments that are measured at fair value using the net asset value per share (or its equivalent) practical expedient are not classified in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in this table are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the amounts presented for the total defined benefit pension plan assets.

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(Dollars in millions)	<u></u>	evel 1	]	Level 2	N to	ot Subject Leveling (1)	Total	Percentage of Plan Assets
Asset category (U.S. Qualified Plans)								
Cash and cash equivalents:								
Short-term investment fund	\$		\$	_	\$	24	\$ 24	1.3 %
Equity:								
U.S. large companies		_		_		140	140	7.5 %
U.S. small companies		30					30	1.6 %
International		72		_		75	147	7.9 %
Fixed income securities		405		1,108		5	1,518	81.5 %
Derivatives				4		_	4	0.2 %
Total U.S. Plan assets	\$	507	\$	1,112	\$	244	\$ 1,863	100.0 %
Asset category (U.K. Plan)								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	34	\$	_	\$		\$ 34	2.5 %
Fixed income securities		_		773		474	1,247	91.6 %
Derivatives				(8)		89	81	5.9 %
Total U.K. Plan assets	\$	34	\$	765	\$	563	\$ 1,362	100.0 %

<sup>(1)</sup> Investments that are measured at fair value using the net asset value per share (or its equivalent) practical expedient are not classified in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in this table are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the amounts presented for the total defined benefit pension plan assets.

For the periods ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, we had no investments held in the pension plans within Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy. Our common stock was not a plan asset as of December 31, 2020 or 2019. The U.S. Non-Qualified Pension Plans are unfunded.

### **Funding**

Our funding practice is to evaluate our tax and cash position, and the funded status of our plans, in determining our planned contributions. We estimate that we will contribute \$5 million to our U.S. non-qualified plans and \$1 million to our U.K. plan in 2021 but this could change based on variations in interest rates, asset returns and other factors.

### **Defined Contribution Retirement Plans**

Our costs for defined contribution retirement plans were \$71 million, \$70 million and \$66 million for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

### Postretirement Medical Plan

We provide health benefits through a postretirement medical plan for eligible employees hired before 1993 (the "Postretirement Plan").

### Funded Status of Postretirement Medical Plan

The reconciliation of the changes in the plan's benefit obligation and the determination of the amounts recognized on our Consolidated Balance Sheets were as follows:

	 As of December 31							
(In millions)	2020		2019					
Projected benefit obligation at beginning of year	\$ 41	\$	34					
Interest cost on projected benefit obligation	1		1					
Actuarial loss (gain)	4		9					
Participant contributions	1		1					
Benefits paid	(3)		(4)					
Projected and accumulated benefit obligation at end of year	\$ 44	\$	41					
Funded status of the plan	\$ (44)	\$	(41)					
Amounts recognized in the balance sheet consist of:								
Current liabilities	\$ (3)	\$	(3)					
Long-term liabilities	(41)		(38)					
Net amount recognized	\$ (44)	\$	(41)					
Discount rate assumption as of December 31	 2.20 %		3.09 %					

The amounts included in AOCI that have not yet been recognized in net periodic benefit income (expense) and the net periodic benefit income (expense) for the postretirement plan were not material in any of the periods presented. The discount rates assumptions used to calculate the interest cost were 2.66% - 3.22%, 3.87% - 4.36% and 3.11% - 3.67% for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

Expected benefit payments, which reflect expected future service, as appropriate, are summarized below. These estimates are based on assumptions about future events. Actual benefit payments may vary from these estimates.

(In millions)	Benefit Paym	ents
Year ending December 31:		
2021	\$	3
2022		3
2023		3
2024		4
2025		4
2026-2030		14

### 14. Stockholders' Equity

Our Board of Directors is authorized to establish one or more series of preferred stock. At December 31, 2020 and 2019, only our Series A Convertible Perpetual Preferred Stock is outstanding.

### Series A Convertible Perpetual Preferred Stock and Warrants

We issued 75,000 shares of the Series A Preferred Stock with an initial liquidation preference of \$1,000 per share which are convertible into shares of our common stock at a conversion price of \$7.00 per common share (subject to customary anti-dilution adjustments). We also issued warrants exercisable for shares of our common stock at an initial exercise price of \$7.00 per common share (subject to customary anti-dilution adjustments). Our preferred stock ranks senior to our common stock with respect to dividend and liquidation rights. Our preferred stock pays

quarterly cash dividends equal to the greater of: (i) the "as-converted" dividends on our underlying common stock for the relevant quarter and (ii) 4% of the then-applicable liquidation preference per annum. Our preferred stock is not redeemable.

In December 2020, some holders of our convertible preferred stock exchanged their holdings for a combination of our common stock, based on the stated conversion price, and a lump-sum payment that represents an approximation of the net present value of the future dividends payable on the preferred stock. Additionally, some holders of our warrants exchanged (or committed to exchange subject to the satisfaction of certain customary closing conditions) their holdings, including Jacobs Private Equity, LLC, an entity controlled by the Company's chairman and chief executive officer, for a number of shares of our common stock equal to the number of shares of common stock that such holder would be entitled to receive upon an exercise of the warrants less the number of shares of common stock that have an approximate value equal to the exercise price of the warrants. With respect to the preferred stock, 69,445 shares were exchanged, and we issued 9.9 million shares of common stock and paid \$22 million of cash. The \$22 million has been reflected as a preferred stock conversion charge in the accompanying consolidated financial statements. With respect to the warrants, 0.3 million warrants were exchanged, and we issued 0.3 million shares of common stock. Additional commitments were made with respect to 9.6 million warrants, which are expected to be converted into 9.1 million shares of common stock in the first quarter of 2021.

As of December 31, 2020, our remaining outstanding preferred stock is convertible into 0.1 million shares of our common stock, and our outstanding warrants are exercisable for an aggregate of 9.8 million shares of our common stock.

#### Forward Sales

In 2018, we settled forward sales in full that were included in a 2017 registered underwritten offering by delivering six million shares of our common stock to the counterparties in the agreements and received \$349 million of net cash proceeds. We used these net cash proceeds to repay our Senior Notes due 2022.

#### Share Repurchases

In December 2018, our Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of up to \$1 billion of our common stock, which was completed in the first quarter of 2019. The share repurchases were funded by our Unsecured Credit Facility and available cash.

In February 2019, our Board of Directors authorized additional repurchases of up to \$1.5 billion of our common stock. The 2019 authorization permits us to purchase shares in both the open market and in private transactions, with the timing and number of shares dependent on a variety of factors, including price, general business conditions, market conditions, alternative investment opportunities and funding considerations. We are not obligated to repurchase any specific number of shares and may suspend or discontinue the program at any time. The share purchases under this program have been funded by our available cash and proceeds from our 2019 debt offerings.

Information regarding our shares repurchased, based on settlement date, were as follows:

	Years Ended December 31,								
(In millions, except per share data)		2020		2019	2018				
Shares purchased and retired		2		25		10			
Aggregate value	\$	114	\$	1,347	\$	536			
Average price per share	\$	66.58	\$	53.41	\$	53.46			
Remaining authorization	\$	503	\$	617	\$	464			

## 15. Stock-Based Compensation

We grant various types of stock-based compensation awards to directors, officers and key employees under our 2016 incentive plan. These awards include stock options, restricted stock, restricted stock units, performance-based units, cash incentive awards and other equity-related awards (collectively, "Awards").

The 2016 plan authorizes the issuance of up to 6.6 million shares of our common stock as Awards. Shares awarded may consist of authorized and unissued shares or treasury shares. The 2016 plan will terminate on May 15, 2029, unless terminated earlier by our Board of Directors. As of December 31, 2020, 1.8 million shares of our common stock were available for the grant of Awards under the 2016 plan.

Our employee stock purchase plan offers eligible employees, excluding our executive officers and directors, the right to purchase our common stock up to 10% of each employee's compensation. Shares are purchased at 5% below fair market value on the last trading day of each six-month offering period. The plan authorizes the purchase of up to two million shares of our common stock. The plan will terminate in October 2027, unless terminated earlier by our Board of Directors. We do not recognize stock-based compensation expense as the plan is non-compensatory. At December 31, 2020, two million shares of our common stock were available for purchase under the plan.

Our stock-based compensation expense is recorded in SG&A on our Consolidated Statements of Income:

	Years ended December 31,						
(In millions)	2	2020		2019		2018	
Restricted stock and restricted stock units	\$	49	\$	30	\$	21	
Performance-based restricted stock units		2		6		9	
Cash-settled performance-based restricted stock units		8		31		19	
Total stock-based compensation expense	\$	59	\$	67	\$	49	
Tax benefit on stock-based compensation	\$	(12)	\$	(2)	\$	(22)	

## **Stock Options**

Our stock options typically vest over three to five years after the grant date for our employees and officers and one year after the grant date for our Board of Directors. The stock options have a 10-year contractual term and the exercise price equals our stock price on the grant date. We have not granted stock options since 2016.

A summary of stock option award activity for the year ended December 31, 2020 is presented below:

	Stock Options					
	Number of Stock Options		nted-Average rcise Price	Weighted-Average Remaining Term		
Outstanding as of December 31, 2019	575,755	\$	12.29	2.47		
Granted						
Exercised	(533,000)		11.60			
Forfeited						
Outstanding as of December 31, 2020	42,755	\$	21.01	3.36		
Options exercisable as of December 31, 2020	42,755	\$	21.01	3.36		

The intrinsic value of options outstanding and exercisable as of December 31, 2020 was \$4 million.

The total intrinsic value of options exercised during 2020, 2019 and 2018 was \$56 million, \$6 million and \$11 million, respectively. The total cash received from options exercised during 2020, 2019 and 2018 was less than \$1 million, \$1 million and \$1 million, respectively.

#### Restricted Stock, Restricted Stock Units and Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units

We grant RSUs and PRSUs to our key employees, officers and directors with various vesting requirements. RSUs generally vest based on the passage of time (service conditions) and PRSUs generally vest based on the achievement of our financial targets (performance conditions). PRSUs may also be subject to stock price (market conditions), employment conditions and other non-financial conditions. The holders of the RSUs and PRSUs do not have the rights of a stockholder and do not have voting rights until the shares are issued and delivered in settlement of the awards.

In 2020, we granted approximately 0.2 million shares of fully vested restricted stock to some of our employees that have sale and transfer restrictions for two years from grant date. The restricted stock had a weighted-average grant date fair value of \$48.05 and was determined based on the fair market value of the shares at the grant date less a discount associated with transferability restrictions. The assumptions used to fair value the restricted stock included a risk-free interest rate of 0.20% and volatility of 61.0%.

The number of RSUs and PRSUs vested includes shares of our common stock that we withheld on behalf of our employees to satisfy the minimum tax withholdings. Non-cash financing activities for the year ended December 31, 2020 included \$21 million related to tax withholdings for restricted shares that were paid in 2021. We estimate the fair value of PRSUs subject to market-based vesting conditions using a Monte Carlo simulation lattice model, with the following weighted-average assumptions:

	2020
Risk-free interest rate	0.6 %
Volatility	50.3 %
Dividend yield	_
Expected term (in years)	4.6

A summary of RSU and PRSU award activity for the year ended December 31, 2020 is presented below:

		RSUs			PRSUs							
	Number of RSUs	Weighted-Average Grant Date Fair Value								Number of PRSUs		ghted-Average Date Fair Value
Outstanding as of December 31, 2019	1,729,415	\$	56.17	1,584,265	\$	29.35						
Granted	1,053,211		77.49	504,951		96.91						
Vested	(920,590)		57.70	(103,734)		35.68						
Forfeited and canceled	(246,224)		65.52	(128,921)		57.79						
Outstanding as of December 31, 2020	1,615,812	\$	67.43	1,856,561	\$	45.39						

The total fair value of RSUs that vested during 2020, 2019 and 2018 was \$64 million, \$13 million and \$30 million, respectively. All of the outstanding RSUs as of December 31, 2020 vest subject to service conditions.

The total fair value of PRSUs that vested during 2020, 2019 and 2018 was \$8 million, \$23 million and \$96 million, respectively. Of the outstanding PRSUs as of December 31, 2020, 1,447,359 vest subject to service and a combination of market and performance conditions, 395,891 vest subject to service and performance conditions and 13,311 vest subject to service and market conditions.

As of December 31, 2020, unrecognized compensation cost related to non-vested RSUs and PRSUs of \$78 million is anticipated to be recognized over a weighted-average period of approximately 2.34 years.

## Cash-Settled Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units

We previously granted cash-settled PRSUs to some key employees and executive officers. The PRSUs vested based on the passage of time and are settled in cash either ratably over a two to four year period or cliff vest at the end of three to four years. The awards were also subject to the achievement of performance targets and employment

conditions. The awards were classified as liabilities and the fair value was based on the closing price of our common stock at grant date and was re-measured each reporting date until settlement. We recognized compensation expense for cash-settled PRSUs over the performance periods based on the probability of achieving the performance conditions and the closing price of our common stock. As of December 31, 2019, we had recognized accrued liabilities of \$30 million using a fair value per PRSU of \$79.70.

A summary of cash-settled PRSU award activity for the year ended December 31, 2020 is presented below:

	Number of Cash- Settled PRSUs
Outstanding as of December 31, 2019	435,327
Granted	_
Vested	(419,942)
Forfeited and canceled	
Outstanding as of December 31, 2020	15,385

#### 16. Income Taxes

Income before taxes related to our U.S. and foreign operations was as follows:

	 Years Ended December 31,							
(In millions)	 2020		2019		2018			
U.S.	\$ 49	\$	379	\$	319			
Foreign	99		190		247			
Income before income tax provision	\$ 148	\$	569	\$	566			

The income tax provision (benefit) is comprised of the following:

	Years Ended December 31,						
(In millions)		2020		2019		2018	
Current:							
U.S. Federal	\$	36	\$	18	\$	2	
State		8		3		6	
Foreign		68		62		69	
Total current income tax provision	\$	112	\$	83	\$	77	
Deferred:							
U.S. Federal	\$	(47)	\$	52	\$	57	
State		(5)		_		2	
Foreign		(29)		(6)		(14)	
Total deferred income tax provision (benefit)		(81)		46		45	
Total income tax provision	\$	31	\$	129	\$	122	

The effective tax rate reconciliations were as follows:

	Years 1	Years Ended December 31,				
	2020	2019	2018			
U.S. federal statutory tax rate	21.0 %	21.0 %	21.0 %			
State taxes, net of U.S. federal benefit	0.6	0.5	0.8			
Foreign rate differential	(5.9)	(0.3)	(1.1)			
Foreign operations (1)	7.7	1.3	6.1			
Contribution- and margin-based taxes	9.2	2.4	2.5			
Valuation allowances	(0.6)	0.1	(3.7)			
Changes in uncertain tax positions	2.8	(0.9)	_			
Stock-based compensation	(8.1)	(0.3)	(3.8)			
Other	(5.6)	(1.2)	(0.2)			
Effective tax rate	21.1 %	22.6 %	21.6 %			

<sup>(1)</sup> Foreign operations include the net impact of changes to valuation allowances, the cost of inclusion of foreign income in the U.S. net of foreign taxes, and permanent items related to foreign operations.

## Components of the Net Deferred Tax Asset or Liability

The tax effects of temporary differences that give rise to significant portions of the deferred tax asset and deferred tax liability were as follows:

	Years Ended December 31,					
(In millions)	2020		2019			
Deferred tax asset						
Net operating loss and other tax attribute carryforwards	\$	140	\$	119		
Accrued expenses		90		45		
Pension and other retirement obligations		27		17		
Other		84		59		
Total deferred tax asset		341		240		
Valuation allowance		(69)		(59)		
Total deferred tax asset, net		272		181		
Deferred tax liability						
Intangible assets		(283)		(297)		
Property and equipment		(299)		(324)		
Other		(49)		(46)		
Total deferred tax liability		(631)		(667)		
Net deferred tax liability	\$	(359)	\$	(486)		

The deferred tax asset and deferred tax liability above are reflected on our Consolidated Balance Sheets as follows:

	December 31,					
(In millions)	2020		2019			
Other long-term assets	\$ 12	\$	9			
Deferred tax liability	(371	)	(495)			
Net deferred tax liability	\$ (359	) \$	(486)			

## Investments in Foreign Subsidiaries

We apply a partial indefinite reversal assertion to pre-2018 earnings and profits that have been invested back into the foreign businesses. We do not apply an indefinite reversal assertion on all 2018 and future years' earnings and profits.

## Operating Loss and Tax Credit Carryforwards

Our operating loss and tax credit carryforwards were as follows:

		December 31,				
(In millions)	Expiration Date		2020		2019	
Federal net operating losses for all U.S. operations (including those of minority owned subsidiaries)	2033 - 2037 (1)	\$	81	\$	72	
Tax effect (before federal benefit) of state net operating losses	Various times starting in 2021 (1)		29		26	
Federal tax credit carryforwards	Various times starting in 2033 (1)		4		4	
State tax credit carryforward	Various times starting in 2021 (1)		11		10	
Foreign net operating losses available to offset future taxable income	Various times starting in 2021 (1)		357		319	

<sup>(1)</sup> Some credits and losses have unlimited carryforward periods.

#### Valuation Allowance

We established a valuation allowance for some of our deferred tax assets, as it is more likely than not that these assets will not be realized in the foreseeable future. We concluded that the remaining deferred tax assets will more likely than not be realized, though this is not assured, and as such no valuation allowance has been provided on these assets.

The balances and activity related to our valuation allowance were as follows:

(In millions)	nning lance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance
Year Ended December 31, 2020	\$ 59	\$ 10	\$	\$ 69
Year Ended December 31, 2019	64	_	(5)	59
Year Ended December 31, 2018	89	_	(25)	64

## Unrecognized Tax Benefits

A reconciliation of the beginning and ending amount of unrecognized tax benefits is as follows:

	Yea	rs End	led December	· 31,	
(In millions)	2020		2019		2018
Beginning balance	\$ 17	\$	23	\$	25
Additions for tax positions of the current period	_		_		1
Additions for tax positions of prior years	7		3		2
Reductions for tax positions of prior years	(1)		(7)		(3)
Settlements with tax authorities	(1)		(1)		_
Reductions due to the statute of limitations	(2)		(1)		(1)
Currency translation adjustment	_		_		(1)
Ending balance	\$ 20	\$	17	\$	23
Interest and penalties	7		7		6
Gross unrecognized tax benefits	\$ 27	\$	24	\$	29
Total unrecognized tax benefits that, if recognized, would impact the effective income tax rate as of the end of the year	\$ 20	\$	16	\$	22

We could reflect a reduction to unrecognized tax benefits of up to \$15 million over the next 12 months due to the statute of limitations lapsing on positions or because tax positions are sustained on audit.

We are subject to taxation in the United States and various states and foreign jurisdictions. As of December 31, 2020, we have no tax years under examination by the IRS. We have various U.S. state and local examinations and non-U.S. examinations in process. The U.S. federal tax returns after 2008, state and local returns after 2012, and non-U.S. returns after 2009 are open under relevant statutes of limitations and are subject to audit.

## 17. Earnings per Share

We compute basic and diluted earnings per share using the two-class method, which allocates earnings to participating securities. The participating securities consist of our Series A Convertible Perpetual Preferred Stock. The undistributed earnings are allocated between common shares and participating securities as if all earnings had been distributed during the period. Losses are not allocated to the preferred shares. As discussed in Note 14—Stockholders' Equity, we recorded a preferred stock conversion charge in December 2020 in connection with the conversion of our Series A preferred stock.

The computations of basic and diluted earnings per share were as follows:

	Years Ended December 31,				
(In millions, except per share data)		2020	2019		2018
Basic earnings per common share					
Net income attributable to XPO	\$	110	\$ 419	\$	422
Preferred stock conversion charge		(22)	_		_
Series A preferred stock dividends		(3)	(3)		(3)
Non-cash allocation of undistributed earnings		(6)	(37)		(29)
Net income attributable to common shares, basic	\$	79	\$ 379	\$	390
Basic weighted-average common shares		92	96		123
Basic earnings per share	\$	0.87	\$ 3.95	\$	3.17
Diluted earnings per common share					
Net income attributable to common shares, diluted	\$	79	\$ 379	\$	390
Basic weighted-average common shares		92	96		123
Dilutive effect of warrants and stock-based awards		10	10		12
Diluted weighted-average common shares		102	106		135
Diluted earnings per share	\$	0.78	\$ 3.57	\$	2.88
Potential common shares excluded		10	10		10

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Certain shares were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share because the effect was antidilutive.

## 18. Commitments and Contingencies

We are involved, and will continue to be involved, in numerous proceedings arising out of the conduct of our business. These proceedings may include claims for property damage or personal injury incurred in connection with the transportation of freight, claims regarding anti-competitive practices, and employment-related claims, including claims involving asserted breaches of employee restrictive covenants. These matters also include numerous putative class action, multi-plaintiff and individual lawsuits, and administrative proceedings involving claims that our owner-operators or contract carriers should be treated as employees, rather than independent contractors ("misclassification claims"). These lawsuits and proceedings may seek substantial monetary damages (including claims for unpaid wages, overtime, failure to provide meal and rest breaks, unreimbursed business expenses penalties and other items), injunctive relief, or both.

We establish accruals for specific legal proceedings when it is considered probable that a loss has been incurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. We review and adjust accruals for loss contingencies quarterly and as additional information becomes available. If a loss is not both probable and reasonably estimable, or if an exposure to loss exists in excess of the amount accrued, we assess whether there is at least a reasonable possibility that a loss, or additional loss, may have been incurred. If there is a reasonable possibility that a loss, or additional loss, may have been incurred, we disclose the estimate of the possible loss or range of loss if it is material and an estimate can be made, or disclose that such an estimate cannot be made. The determination as to whether a loss can reasonably be considered to be possible or probable is based on our assessment, together with legal counsel, regarding the ultimate outcome of the matter.

We believe that we have adequately accrued for the potential impact of loss contingencies that are probable and reasonably estimable. We do not believe that the ultimate resolution of any matters to which we are presently a party will have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial condition or cash flows. However, the results of these matters cannot be predicted with certainty, and an unfavorable resolution of one or more of these matters could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows. Legal costs incurred related to these matters are expensed as incurred.

We carry liability and excess umbrella insurance policies that we deem sufficient to cover potential legal claims arising in the normal course of conducting our operations as a transportation and logistics company. The liability and excess umbrella insurance policies generally do not cover the misclassification claims described in this note. In the event we are required to satisfy a legal claim outside the scope of the coverage provided by insurance, our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows could be negatively impacted.

## 19. Subsequent Events

## Acquisition

In January 2021, our XPO Logistics Europe subsidiary acquired the majority of Kuehne + Nagel's contract logistics operations in the United Kingdom, which generated annual revenues in 2020 of approximately £450 million (\$585 million). The operations, which provide a range of logistics services, including inbound and outbound distribution, reverse logistics management and inventory management, will be included in our Logistics segment.

## **Debt Redemption**

Also in January 2021, we redeemed our outstanding Senior Notes due 2022. The redemption price for the Senior Notes due 2022 was 100.0% of the principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest. We paid for the redemption with available cash. We expect to record a debt extinguishment loss of approximately \$5 million in our first quarter of 2021 results of operations due to this redemption.

# ITEM 9. CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

None.

#### ITEM 9A. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

## Conclusion Regarding the Effectiveness of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our chief executive officer ("CEO") and chief financial officer ("CFO"), we conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures pursuant to Rule 13a-15(e) and Rule 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, as of December 31, 2020. Based on that evaluation, our CEO and CFO concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of December 31, 2020, such that the information required to be included in our SEC reports is: (i) recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in SEC rules and forms relating to XPO, including our consolidated subsidiaries; and (ii) accumulated and communicated to our management, including our CEO and CFO, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

## Management's Annual Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our chief executive officer and chief financial officer, we conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2020, based on the framework in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Based on our evaluation, we concluded that our internal control over financial reporting was effective as of December 31, 2020.

KPMG LLP, the independent registered public accounting firm that audited the financial statements included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, has issued an audit report, which is included elsewhere within this Form 10-K, on the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting.

## **Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

There have not been any changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the quarter ended December 31, 2020 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

ITEM 9B. OTHER INFORMATION

None.

#### PART III

## ITEM 10. DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The information required by Item 10 of Part III of Form 10-K (other than certain information required by Item 401 of Regulation S-K with respect to our executive officers, which is provided under Item 1 of Part I of this Annual Report on Form 10-K) will be set forth in our definitive Proxy Statement for the 2021 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and is incorporated herein by reference.

We have adopted a Code of Business Ethics (the "Code"), which is applicable to our principal executive officer, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer and other senior officers. The Code is available on our website at <a href="www.xpo.com">www.xpo.com</a>, under the heading "Corporate Governance" within the "Investors" tab. In the event that we amend or waive any of the provisions of the Code that relate to any element of the code of ethics definition enumerated in Item 406(b) of Regulation S-K, we intend to disclose the same on our website at the web address specified above.

#### ITEM 11. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The information required by Item 11 of Part III of Form 10-K will be set forth in our Proxy Statement for the 2021 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and is incorporated herein by reference.

## ITEM 12. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS

The information required by Item 12 of Part III of Form 10-K, including information regarding security ownership of certain beneficial owners and management and information regarding securities authorized for issuance under equity compensation plans, will be set forth in our Proxy Statement for the 2021 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and is incorporated herein by reference.

# ITEM 13. CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS AND DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE

The information required by Item 13 of Part III of Form 10-K will be set forth in our Proxy Statement for the 2021 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and is incorporated herein by reference.

## ITEM 14. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT FEES AND SERVICES

The information required by Item 14 of Part III of Form 10-K will be set forth in our Proxy Statement for the 2021 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and is incorporated herein by reference.

## **PART IV**

## Item 15. EXHIBITS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

## Financial Statements and Financial Statement Schedules

The list of Consolidated Financial Statements provided in the Index to Consolidated Financial Statements is incorporated herein by reference. Such Consolidated Financial Statements are filed as part of this Annual Report on Form 10-K. All financial statement schedules are omitted because the required information is not applicable, or because the information required is included in the Consolidated Financial Statements and notes thereto.

## **Exhibits**

Exhibit Number	<u>Description</u>
2.1	Investment Agreement, dated June 13, 2011, by and among Jacobs Private Equity, LLC ("JPE"), each of the other investors party thereto and the registrant (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on June 14, 2011).
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the registrant, dated May 17, 2005 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2007).
3.2	Certificate of Amendment to the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the registrant, dated May 31, 2006 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3 to the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on June 7, 2006).
3.3	Certificate of Amendment to the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the registrant, dated June 20, 2007 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3(i) to the registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2007).
3.4	Certificate of Amendment to the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the registrant, dated September 1, 2011 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on September 6, 2011 (the "September 2011 Form 8-K")).
3.5	Certificate of Amendment to the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the registrant, dated May 20, 2015 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on May 21, 2015).
3.6	Certificate of Amendment to the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the registrant, dated September 8, 2015 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on September 8, 2015).
3.7	2nd Amended and Restated Bylaws of the registrant, dated August 30, 2007 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3(ii) to the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K/A filed with the SEC on September 14, 2007).
3.8	Text of Amendments to the 2nd Amended and Restated Bylaws of the registrant (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on May 21, 2015).
3.9	Amendment to the 2nd Amended and Restated Bylaws of the registrant (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on March 17, 2017).
4.1	Certificate of Designation of Series A Convertible Perpetual Preferred Stock of the registrant (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the September 2011 Form 8-K).
4.2	Form of Warrant Certificate (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the September 2011 Form 8-K).

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4.3	Registration Rights Agreement, dated September 2, 2011, by and among JPE, each of the other holders and designated secured lenders party thereto and the registrant (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.3 to the September 2011 Form 8-K).
4.4	Certificate of Designation of Series B Convertible Perpetual Preferred Stock of the registrant, dated September 16, 2014 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on September 18, 2014).
4.5	Certificate of Designation of Series C Convertible Perpetual Preferred Stock of the registrant, dated June 3, 2015 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the registrant's Amendment No. 1 to Current Report on Form 8-K/A filed with the SEC on June 26, 2015).
4.6	Description of Common Stock (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.9 to the registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on February 10, 2020).
4.7	Indenture, dated August 25, 2016, between the registrant, the guarantors party thereto and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as Trustee (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on August 26, 2016).
4.8	Indenture, dated February 22, 2019, by and among the registrant, the guarantors party thereto and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Trustee (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on February 22, 2019).
4.9	Indenture, dated April 28, 2020, between the registrant, the guarantors party thereto and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Trustee (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the registrant's current report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on April 28, 2020).
10.1 +	2011 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit D to Exhibit 2.1 to the registrant's current report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on June 14, 2011).
10.2 +	Form of Option Award Agreement (2011 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan) (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.20 to the registrants Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011 (the "Fiscal Year 2011 Form 10-K")).
10.3 +	Form of Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement for Non-Employee Directors (2011 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan) (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.21 to the Fiscal Year 2011 Form 10-K).
10.4 +	Amended and Restated 2011 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit A to the registrant's definitive proxy statement on Schedule 14A filed with the SEC on April 27, 2012).
10.5 +	Form of Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement (Amended and Restated 2011 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan) (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on March 20, 2014).
10.6 +	2016 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Annex A to the registrant's definitive proxy statement on Schedule 14A filed with the SEC on November 21, 2016).
10.7 +	Form of Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement (Service-Vesting) (2016 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan) (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.15 to the registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016 (the "Fiscal Year 2016 Form 10-K")).
10.8 +	Form of Performance-Based Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement (2016 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan) (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.16 to the Fiscal Year 2016 Form 10-K).
10.9 +	Form of Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement for Non-Employee Directors (2016 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan) (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.17 to the Fiscal Year 2016 Form 10-K).

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10.10 +	Form of Performance-Based Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement (2016 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan) (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to the registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2018 filed with the SEC on November 5, 2018).
10.11 +	Amendment No. 1 to the XPO Logistics, Inc. 2016 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Annex B to the registrant's definitive proxy statement on Schedule 14A filed with the SEC on April 22, 2019).
10.12 +	Form of Performance-Based Restricted Unit Award Agreement (2016 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan) (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.7 to the registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2019 filed with the SEC on August 1, 2019).
10.13 +	Amendment No. 2 to the XPO Logistics, Inc. 2016 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Annex B to the registrant's definitive proxy statement on Schedule 14A filed with the SEC on April 21, 2020).
10.14 +	Form of Cash Long-Term Incentive Award Agreement (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.8 to the registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on August 3, 2020).
10.15 +	Performance-Based Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement, dated August 9, 2018, between the registrant and Sarah J.S. Glickman (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2018 filed with the SEC on November 5, 2018).
10.16 +	Form of Employment Agreement, dated February 9, 2016, (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the February 2016 Form 8-K).
10.17 +	Exhibit A to Employment Agreement, dated February 9, 2016, between the registrant and John J. Hardig (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to the February 2016 Form 8-K).
10.18 +	Exhibit A to Employment Agreement, dated February 9, 2016, between the registrant and Scott B. Malat (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.6 to the February 2016 Form 8-K).
10.19 +	Employment Agreement, dated April 19, 2018, between the registrant and Kenneth R. Wagers III (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on April 24, 2018).
10.20 +	Employment Agreement, dated June 5, 2019, between the registrant and Sarah J.S. Glickman (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.6 to the registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2019 filed with the SEC on August 1, 2019).
10.21 +	Employment Agreement, effective as of February 3, 2020, and Amendment to Employment Agreement, dated April 7, 2020, between the registrant and Kurt M. Rogers.
10.22 +	Employment Agreement, effective as of March 2, 2020, between the registrant and David B. Wyshner (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on May 5, 2020).
10.23 +	Separation Agreement, dated May 4, 2020, between the registrant and Sarah J.S. Glickman (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to the registrant's current report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on May 8, 2020).
10.24 +	Employment Agreement, effective as of July 31, 2020, between the registrant and Bradley S. Jacobs. (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to the registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on August 3, 2020).
10.25 +	Employment Agreement, effective as of July 31, 2020, between the registrant and Troy A. Cooper. (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.6 to the registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on August 3, 2020).

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10.26 +	Employment Agreement, effective as of July 31, 2020, between the registrant and Mario A. Harik. (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.7 to the registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on August 3, 2020).
10.27	XPO Logistics, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Annex A to the registrant's definitive proxy statement on Schedule 14A filed with the SEC on November 20, 2017).
10.28	Amendment No. 1, dated December 4, 2018, to the XPO Logistics, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.18 to the Fiscal Year 2018 Form 10-K).
10.29	Second Amended and Restated Revolving Loan Credit Agreement, dated October 30, 2015, by and among the registrant and certain subsidiaries signatory thereto, as borrowers, other credit parties signatory thereto, Morgan Stanley Senior Funding, Inc., as agent, and the Lenders from time to time party thereto (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on November 2, 2015).
10.30	Amendment No. 1 to Second Amended and Restated Revolving Loan Credit Agreement, dated July 19, 2017, by and among the registrant and certain subsidiaries signatory thereto, Morgan Stanley Senior Funding, Inc., as agent, and the Lenders party thereto (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on July 25, 2017).
10.31	Amendment No. 2 to Second Amended and Restated Revolving Loan Credit Agreement, dated March 22, 2018, by and among the registrant and certain subsidiaries signatory thereto, the lenders party thereto and Morgan Stanley Senior Funding, Inc., as administrative agent (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2018 filed with the SEC on May 7, 2018).
10.32	Amendment No. 3 to Second Amended and Restated Revolving Loan Credit Agreement, dated April 30, 2019, by and among the registrant, certain subsidiaries signatory thereto, the lenders party thereto and Morgan Stanley Senior Funding, Inc., as agent (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on May 1, 2019).
10.33	Amendment No. 4 to Second Amended and Restated Revolving Loan Credit Agreement, dated April 3, 2020, by and among the registrant, certain subsidiaries signatory thereto, the lenders party thereto and Morgan Stanley Senior Funding Inc., as agent. (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on August 3, 2020).+
10.34	Amendment No. 5 to Second Amended and Restated Revolving Loan Credit Agreement, dated June 29, 2020, by and among the registrant, certain subsidiaries signatory thereto, the lenders party thereto and Morgan Stanley Senior Funding Inc., as agent. (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to the registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on August 3, 2020).
10.35	Senior Secured Term Loan Credit Agreement, dated October 30, 2015, by and among the registrant, certain subsidiaries signatory thereto, Morgan Stanley Senior Funding, Inc., as agent, and the Lenders from time to time party thereto (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on November 2, 2015).
10.36	Incremental and Refinancing Amendment (Amendment No. 1 to Senior Secured Term Loan Credit Agreement), dated August 25, 2016, by and among the registrant, the subsidiaries signatory thereto, as guarantors, the lenders party thereto and Morgan Stanley Senior Funding, Inc., as administrative agent (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on August 26, 2016).
10.37	Refinancing Amendment (Amendment No. 2 to Senior Secured Term Loan Credit Agreement), dated March 10, 2017, by and among the registrant, the subsidiaries signatory thereto, as guarantors, the lenders party thereto and Morgan Stanley Senior Funding, Inc., as administrative agent (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on March 13, 2017).

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10.38	Refinancing Amendment (Amendment No. 3 to Senior Secured Term Loan Credit Agreement), dated February 23, 2018, by and among the registrant and certain subsidiaries signatory thereto, the lenders party thereto and Morgan Stanley Senior Funding, Inc., as administrative agent (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on February 26, 2018).
10.39	Amendment No. 4 to Senior Secured Term Loan Credit Agreement, dated March 7, 2019, by and among the registrant and certain subsidiaries signatory thereto, the lenders party thereto and Morgan Stanley Senior Funding, Inc., as administrative agent (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 30, 2019 filed with the SEC on May 1, 2019).
10.40	Incremental Amendment (Amendment No. 5 to Senior Secured Term Loan Credit Agreement), dated March 18, 2019, by and among the registrant, the subsidiaries signatory thereto, as guarantors, the lenders party thereto and Morgan Stanley Senior Funding, Inc., as administrative agent (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on March 18, 2019).
21 *	Subsidiaries of the registrant.
23 *	Consent of KPMG LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.
31.1 *	Certification of the Principal Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, with respect to the registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019.
31.2 *	Certification of the Principal Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, with respect to the registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019.
32.1**	Certification of the Principal Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, with respect to the registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019.
32.2**	Certification of the Principal Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, with respect to the registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019.
101.INS *	Inline XBRL Instance Document.
101.SCH *	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema.
101.CAL *	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase.
101.DEF *	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase.
101.LAB *	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase.
101.PRE *	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase.
104 *	Cover Page Interactive Data File (formatted as inline XBRL and contained in Exhibit 101).
*	Filed herewith.
**	Furnished herewith.
+	This exhibit is a management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.

## Item 16. FORM 10-K SUMMARY

None.

## **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

XPO LOGISTICS, INC.

By: /s/ Brad Jacobs

**Brad Jacobs** 

(Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer)

By: /s/ David Wyshner

David Wyshner

(Chief Financial Officer)

February 12, 2021

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities on the dates indicated.

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>	
	Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer		
/s/ Brad Jacobs	(Principal Executive Officer)	February 12, 2021	
Brad Jacobs			
/s/ David Wyshner	Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)	February 12, 2021	
David Wyshner			
/s/ Lance Robinson	Chief Accounting Officer (Principal Accounting Officer)	February 12, 2021	
Lance Robinson			
/s/ AnnaMaria DeSalva	Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors	February 12, 2021	
AnnaMaria DeSalva			
/s/ Gena Ashe	Director	February 12, 2021	
Gena Ashe			
/s/ Marlene Colucci	Director	February 12, 2021	
Marlene Colucci			
/s/ Michael Jesselson	Lead Independent Director	February 12, 2021	
Michael Jesselson			
/s/ Adrian Kingshott	Director	February 12, 2021	
Adrian Kingshott			
/s/ Jason Papastavrou	Director	February 12, 2021	
Jason Papastavrou			
/s/ Oren Shaffer	Director	February 12, 2021	
Oren Shaffer			

## **XPOLogistics**

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**

#### **Brad Jacobs**

Chairman of the Board, XPO Logistics, Inc.

#### Gena Ashe

General Counsel and Corporate Secretary, Anterix Inc.

#### Marlene Colucci

Executive Director, The Business Council

#### AnnaMaria DeSalva

Vice Chairman of the Board, XPO Logistics, Inc.; Global Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Hill+Knowlton Strategies

#### Michael Jesselson

Lead Independent Director, XPO Logistics, Inc.; President and Chief Executive Officer, Jesselson Capital Corporationn

## Adrian Kingshott

Chief Executive Officer, AdSon LLC Managing Director, Spotlight Advisors, LLC

#### Jason Papastavrou

Founder and Chief Investment Officer, ARIS Capital Management, LLC

## Oren Shaffer

Former Vice Chairman and Chief Financial Officer, Qwest Communications International, Inc.

## **EXECUTIVE OFFICERS:**

## **Brad Jacobs**

Chief Executive Officer

#### **Troy Cooper**

President

## **David Wyshner**

Chief Financial Officer

## Mario Harik

Chief Information Officer

#### **COMMON STOCK:**

The company's common stock is traded on NYSE under the symbol "XPO."

#### **COMPANY FINANCIAL INFORMATION:**

Copies of XPO Logistics, Inc.'s financial information such as the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K as filed with the SEC, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and Proxy Statement are available at the Company's website at www.xpo.com or by contacting "Investor Relations" at our corporate executive office address.

## **ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS:**

The Annual Meeting of Stockholders will be held on May 11, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time as a virtual meeting via webcast. You can access the meeting at <a href="https://www.meetingcenter.io/260352583">www.meetingcenter.io/260352583</a> with password XPO2021 and your control number.

#### **CORPORATE EXECUTIVE OFFICE:**

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## INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM:

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