February 28, 2021

Office of Chief Counsel Division of Corporation Finance Securities and Exchange Commission 100 F Street, NE Washington, DC 20549

# 4 Rule 14a-8 Proposal
JetBlue Airways Corporation (JBLU)
Special Shareholder Meeting
The Big Management Lie
John Chevedden

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This is in regard to the big management lie January 5, 2021 no-action request.

Attached is evidence that management will repeat the big management lie basis of its no action request in its opposition statement if its no action request fails.

Sincerely,

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#### PROPOSAL 4

#### STOCKHOLDER PROPOSAL

The Company has been advised that John Chevedden,

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, who advises that he holds at least 100 shares of stock in the Company, intends to submit the following proposal at the Annual Meeting.

If the following proposal is properly presented at the Annual Meeting, the Board of Directors unanimously recommends a vote AGAINST the proposal.

#### Proposal 4 - Special Shareholder Meeting

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#### Please vote yes: Special Shareholder Meeting- Proposal 4



[Note the colors will be blue and gray scale; we don't have the above tones or gold in our proxy statement]

#### Board of Directors' Statement in Opposition to Proposal 4

The Board recommends that you vote against the proposal to lower the threshold required for stockholders to call a special meeting.

The Board has carefully considered the proposal and believes that lowering the thresholder necessary for stockholders to call a special meeting is not necessary given the potential for abuse of such a right and our strong corporate governance practices.

The Board recommends that you vote against this stockholder's proposal.

#### Facts Regarding the Existing Right to Call a Special Meeting and Governance Practices

The proposal contains a number of statements that misrepresent the rights that stockholders of the Company currently have with respect to calling a special meeting and a number of other related stockholder governance matters.

The proposal incorrectly asserts that stockholders of the Company do not have a right to call a special meeting. The Company's governance documents plainly allow stockholders to call special meetings upon written request from holders representing at least 20% of the voting power of the Company. At the Company's last annual meeting of stockholders, the Board submitted a proposal to stockholders to amend the Company's governance documents to provide for this right and it was approved by 86% of the stockholders who voted on this proposal.

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January 17, 2021

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#3 Rule 14a-8 Proposal JetBlue Airways Corporation (JBLU) Special Shareholder Meeting John Chevedden

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This is in regard to the January 5, 2021 no-action request.

This could be called an ambush no action request.

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Management made no attempt to contact the shareholder prior to submitting its no action request.

Sincerely,

John Chevedden

January 10, 2021

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This could be an example of a bad faith no action request.

The 2020 annual meeting proxy said, "We have a robust stockholder engagement program."

Yet management had no contact with the shareholder to understand the accuracy of the 2021 rule 14a-8 proposal. In fact management would not even acknowledge the broker letter until after it submitted its no action request by which time such an acknowledgment was moot.

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John Chevedden

January 5, 2021

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JetBlue Airways Corporation (JBLU)
Special Shareholder Meeting
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The proposal flatly does not claim that JBLU shareholder have no right to call a special meeting.

It would help if management would give its figure for the percent of shares, that cast ballots at the 2020 annual meeting, that would be required ask for a record date for written consent.

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There is little hope that shareholders, who do not bother to vote at the annual meeting, would take on the tedious administrative burden to ask for a record date for written consent or would act by written consent.

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John Chevedden

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Please vote yes: Special Shareholder Meeting—Proposal 4

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January 5, 2021

#### VIA E-MAIL

Office of Chief Counsel Division of Corporation Finance Securities and Exchange Commission 100 F Street, NE Washington, DC 20549 shareholderproposals@sec.gov

Re: JetBlue Airways Corporation Stockholder Proposal by John Chevedden

Securities Exchange Act of 1934—Rule 14a-8

#### Dear colleagues:

JetBlue Airways Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("JetBlue" or the "Company"), pursuant to Rule 14a-8(j) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, submits this letter to inform the Staff of the Division of Corporation Finance (the "Staff") of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") that, pursuant to Rule 14a-8(i)(3), the Company intends to omit from its proxy statement and form of proxy for its 2021 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (collectively, the "2021 Proxy Materials") a stockholder proposal (the "Proposal") and statements in support thereof received from John Chevedden (the "Proponent"), a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, for the reasons stated below. Copies of related correspondence from the Proponent are attached hereto as Exhibit B.

Rule 14a-8(k) and Staff Legal Bulletin No. 14D (Nov. 7, 2008) ("<u>SLB 14D</u>") provide that stockholder proponents are required to send companies a copy of any correspondence that the proponents elect to submit to the Commission or the Staff. Accordingly, we are taking this opportunity to inform the Proponent that if the Proponent elects to submit additional correspondence to the Commission or the Staff with respect to the Proposal, a copy of that correspondence should be furnished concurrently to the undersigned on behalf of the Company pursuant to Rule 14a-8(k) and SLB 14D.

Pursuant to Rule 14a-8(j), we are submitting this letter not less than 80 days before the Company intends to file its 2021 Proxy Materials. The Company intends to commence printing its Notice and Access materials on or about March 16, 2021 and to file its 2021 Proxy Materials on or about March 29, 2021. A copy of this letter and its attachments also is being sent on this date to the Proponent in accordance with Rule 14a-8(j) to inform the Proponent of the Company's intention to omit the Proposal from the 2021 Proxy Materials.

#### THE PROPOSAL

The text of the Proposal is set forth below:

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## Please vote yes: **Special Shareholder Meeting- Proposal 4**



#### **BASIS FOR EXCLUSION**

The Proposal May Be Excluded Pursuant to Rule 14a-8(i)(3) Because the Proposal is Materially False and Misleading in Violation of Rule 14a-9.

#### Background

The Company believes that the Proposal properly may be excluded from the 2021 Proxy Materials pursuant to Rule 14a-8(i)(3), because the Proposal contains materially false and misleading statements regarding its fundamental premise contrary to Rule 14a-9.

Rule 14a-8(i)(3) permits the exclusion of a stockholder proposal if "the proposal or supporting statement is contrary to any of the Commission's proxy rules, including Rule 14a-9, which prohibits materially false or misleading statements in proxy soliciting materials." As the Staff explained in Staff Legal Bulletin No. 14B (Sep. 15, 2004) ("SLB 14B"), Rule 14a-8(i)(3) permits the exclusion of all or part of a stockholder proposal or the supporting statement if, among other things, the company demonstrates objectively that a factual statement is materially false or misleading. Applying this standard, the Staff has allowed exclusion of an entire proposal that contains false and misleading statements speaking to the proposal's fundamental premise. For example, in *State Street Corp.* (Mar. 1, 2005), the proposal purported to request stockholder action under a state law that was not applicable to the company. Because the proposal by its terms invoked a statute that was not applicable, the Staff concurred that submission was based upon a false premise that made it materially misleading to stockholders and, therefore, was excludable under Rule 14a-8(i)(3). Likewise, in early 2007, a number of companies sought to exclude stockholder proposals requesting the adoption of a company policy allowing

stockholders at each annual meeting to vote on an advisory resolution to approve the compensation committee report disclosed in the proxy statement. Because then-recent amendments to Regulation S-K no longer required the compensation committee report to address executive compensation policies, the Staff in each case permitted the companies to exclude the stockholder proposals. See, e.g., *Energy East Corp.* (Feb. 12, 2007); *Bear Stearns Cos. Inc.* (Jan. 30, 2007).

Similarly, in *Ferro Corporation* (Mar. 17, 2015), the proposal purported to request that the company reincorporate from Ohio to Delaware and in its supporting statement made a number of false and misleading factual statements about Ohio state law. Because such statements were materially false and misleading as to make the proposal as a whole false and misleading, the Staff permitted the company to exclude the proposal.

#### Argument

The Company believes that the Proposal contains a number of false and misleading statements that misrepresent the entire premise of the Proposal. In particular, the Proposal asserts or implies that the Company's governance documents:

- do not currently have a right for stockholders to call a special meeting by stating that "JetBlue shareholder [sic] need the right to call a special shareholder meeting due to their current lame right to act by written consent";
  - ➤ The Company's governance documents plainly allow stockholders to call special meetings upon written request from holders of record representing at least twenty (20%) of the voting power of the outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation;
- require "30% of all shares that normally cast ballots at the annual meeting to do so little as ask for a record date of written consent";
  - The Company's certificate of incorporation (the "<u>Charter</u>") only requires holders of record of the Company's shares representing in the aggregate of at least **25%** of the then outstanding shares of voting stock of the Company may request that the Company set a record date for a written consent;
- require a "62% supermajority approval from the shares that normally cast ballots at the annual meeting" for action by written consent;
  - There is no such supermajority approval requirement in the Company's Charter or the Company's by-laws for an action by written consent. An action by written consent, only needs "the minimum number of votes that would be necessary to take the corporate action at a meeting at which all shares entitled to vote thereon were present and voted" in order for a written consent to be effective.

These false and misleading statements speak to the Proposal's fundamental premise—that stockholders of the Company are disadvantaged by "their current lame right to act by written consent." These false and misleading statements are material, even fundamental, to a

stockholder's consideration of how to vote on the Proposal's merits. We address each of these materially false and misleading statements in turn. A copy of the Charter is attached hereto as Exhibit C.

1. The Proposal implies that the Company does not currently have a stockholder right to call a special meeting by stating "JetBlue shareholder need the right to call a special shareholder meeting due to their current lame right to act by written consent."

By not acknowledging the Company's existing stockholder right to call a special meeting, this statement has omitted to state a material fact. Section 1 of Article VII of the Company's Charter provides that special meetings of the Company's stockholders may be called upon written request from holders of record representing at least twenty (20%) of the voting power of the outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote on the matter or matters to be brought before the proposed special meeting, subject to compliance with the requirements set forth in the Company's governance documents. The Proponent uses the material omission related to the Company's current stockholder right to mislead stockholders by implying that the Company does not already have a right for stockholders to call a special meeting and that stockholders only have a "lame right to act by written consent." The Proposal should properly state that stockholders do have a right to call a special meeting and identify what it is about the stockholders' current right that the Proponent seeks to change. Importantly, the Proposal implies that stockholders currently do not have a right to call a special meeting by referring to inaccurate written consent provisions. Therefore, the Proposal is materially false and misleading.

2. The Proposal misstates the Company's threshold for requesting that the Company set a record date for an action by written consent is 30%.

This statement is materially false. Section 2(a) of Article VII of the Company's Charter provides that holders of record of the Company's shares representing in the aggregate of at least 25% of the then outstanding shares of voting stock of the Company may request that the Company set a record date for a written consent. The Proposal also serves to mislead stockholders to believe that the Company's threshold for requesting that a record date be set for an action by written consent is higher than it actually is. The Company's existing threshold is a key factor, if not the most important factor, for a stockholder when assessing whether or not the threshold should be lowered. A stockholder of the Company cannot properly determine whether or not to support the Proposal if the factual support presented is erroneous, which it is. Therefore, the Proposal is materially false and misleading with respect to this statement.

3. The Proposal misstates that a 62% supermajority approval threshold is required for action by written consent.

This statement is materially false and misleading. Section 2(g) of Article VII of the Company's Charter provides that an action by written consent will be effect when the Secretary of the Company (or such other officer of the Company as the Board may designate) certifies to the Company that consents representing at least the minimum number of votes that would be necessary to take the corporate action at a meeting at which all shares entitled to vote thereon were present and voted, in accordance with Delaware law and the Charter. The Charter does *not* 

require a 62% supermajority approval threshold for any matter that is presented for action by written consent. The Proponent uses the erroneous statement related to the Company's supermajority approval requirements to mislead stockholders into thinking that the Company has instituted stockholder unfriendly approval practices. Therefore, the Proposal is materially false and misleading with respect to this statement.

Taken together, these untrue statements make the Proposal materially false and misleading. The Proponent's entire argument to convince stockholders to vote to direct the Company's Board of Directors to lower the threshold to call a special meeting is based on false assertions and omissions about terms contained in the Company's governing documents. A stockholder reading this Proposal would conclude that the Company's Charter and bylaws do not contain a stockholder right to call a special meeting, as well as contain certain provisions that the Proponent asserts are "lame," when in fact these provisions do not exist in the Company's governing documents. For example, the Proposal states that a threshold of 30% for setting a record for a written consent "cuts shareholders off at the knees"—but the actual threshold contained in the Charter is 25%, not 30%. Similarly, the Proposal states that a 62% supermajority approval threshold "gives overwhelming supermajority protection to management." However, as has been established, this claim depends on the Company actually having a supermajority approval threshold, when in fact the Company does not. These statements are the only facts that the Proponent asserts related to the subject matter of the Proposal – the terms by which actions by written consent operate under the Company's governing documents. Additionally, by omitting the fact that the Company already has a right for stockholders to call a special meeting, the Proponent seeks to deceive the Company's stockholders about the rights they already have. All of the other statements have no connection whatsoever to actions by written consent. The supporting statement discusses, at length, the virtual annual meeting process in 2020 and describes issues the Proponent has with other companies, but it does not provide one correct fact regarding the subject matter of the Proposal, which renders it as a whole false and misleading. As a result, we believe the Company should be permitted to exclude the Proposal from its 2021 Proxy Materials.

Furthermore, we do not believe that the Proponent should be permitted to revise the Proposal. As the Staff has noted in SLB 14B, there is no provision in Rule 14a-8 that allows a proponent to revise his or her proposal and supporting statement. We recognize that the Staff has had a long-standing practice of permitting proponents to make revisions that are "minor in nature and do not alter the substance of the proposal" in order to deal with proposals that "comply generally with the substantive requirements of Rule 14a-8, but contain some minor defects that could be corrected easily." See SLB 14B. The Staff, however, has explained that it is appropriate for companies to exclude an "entire proposal, supporting statement or both as materially false or misleading" if "the proposal and supporting statement would require detailed and extensive editing in order to bring it into compliance with the proxy rules." See SLB 14B.

The Proposal is fundamentally flawed. The Proposal has misstated key facts related to the precise subject matter of the Proposal. If the Proponent were allowed to revise the Proposal, the Proposal would be so changed as to "alter the substance of the proposal." If the Proponent were allowed to revise the Proposal, the Proposal would be so fundamentally altered as to constitute a new proposal. Additionally, as the deadline for submission of proposals to the Company has already passed, the Proponent should not be allowed to resubmit his Proposal.

Therefore, the Company respectfully requests that the Staff agree that the Proposal may be excluded from the 2021 Proxy Materials in its entirety pursuant to Rule 14a-(i)(3).

#### CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing, we respectfully request that the Staff confirm that it will not recommend enforcement action to the Commission if the Company excludes the Proposal from its 2021 Proxy Materials pursuant to Rule 14a-8(i)(3).

Should the Staff disagree with the conclusions set forth in this letter, or should any additional information be desired in support of the Company's position, we would appreciate the opportunity to confer with the Staff concerning these matters prior to the issuance of the Staff's response. Correspondence regarding this letter should be sent to <a href="mailto:Brandon.Nelson@jetblue.com">Brandon.Nelson@jetblue.com</a>. If we can be of any further assistance in this matter, please do not hesitate to call me at (718) 709-2239.

Sincerely,

Brandon Nelson

General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

Enclosures

cc: Eileen McCarthy, JetBlue Airways Corporation

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Kristina Trauger, Shearman & Sterling LLP

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## Exhibit A The Proposal

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## **Exhibit B Correspondence from the Proponent**

## McCarthy, Eileen

From:

John Chevedden

Sent:

Sunday, November 1, 2020 11:29 PM

To: Cc: Nelson, Brandon McCarthy, Eileen

Subject:

Rule 14a-8 Proposal (JBLU)"

Attachments:

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Mr. Nelson,

Please see the attached rule 14a-8 proposal to improve corporate governance and enhance long-term shareholder value at de minimis up-front cost – especially considering the substantial market capitalization of the company.

I expect to forward a broker letter soon so if you acknowledge this proposal in an email message it will save you from requesting a broker letter from me.

Sincerely, John Chevedden

Mr. Brandon Nelson JetBlue Airways Corporation (JBLU) 27-01 Queens Plaza North Long Island City, New York 11101 PH: 718-286-7900

Dear Mr. Nelson,

This Rule 14a-8 proposal is respectfully submitted in support of the long-term performance of our company.

This Rule 14a-8 proposal is intended as a low-cost method to improve company performance – especially compared to the substantial capitalization of our company.

This proposal is for the next annual shareholder meeting. Rule 14a-8 requirements will be met including the continuous ownership of the required stock value until after the date of the respective shareholder meeting and presentation of the proposal at the annual meeting. This submitted format, with the shareholder-supplied emphasis, is intended to be used for definitive proxy publication.

I expect to forward a broker letter soon so if you acknowledge this proposal in an email message it will save you from requesting a broker letter from me.

Sincerely.

Khn Chevedden

November 1, 2020

Date

cc: Eileen McCarthy <Eileen.McCarthy@jetblue.com>
James G. Hnat <ir@jetblue.com>

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#### Notes:

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This proposal is believed to conform with Staff Legal Bulletin No. 14B (CF), September 15, 2004 including (emphasis added):

Accordingly, going forward, we believe that it would not be appropriate for companies to exclude supporting statement language and/or an entire proposal in reliance on rule 14a-8(I)(3) in the following circumstances:

- · the company objects to factual assertions because they are not supported;
- the company objects to factual assertions that, while not materially false or misleading, may be disputed or countered;
- the company objects to factual assertions because those assertions may be interpreted by shareholders in a manner that is unfavorable to the company, its directors, or its officers; and/or
- the company objects to statements because they represent the opinion of the shareholder proponent or a referenced source, but the statements are not identified specifically as such.

We believe that it is appropriate under rule 14a-8 for companies to address these objections in their statements of opposition.

See also: Sun Microsystems, Inc. (July 21, 2005).

The stock supporting this proposal will be held until after the annual meeting and the proposal will be presented at the annual meeting. Please acknowledge this proposal promptly by email

## McCarthy, Eileen

From:

John Chevedden

Sent:

Thursday, November 5, 2020 5:51 PM

To:

Nelson, Brandon

Cc:

McCarthy, Eileen

Subject:

Rule 14a-8 Proposal (JBLU)

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**Attachments:** 

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Mr. Nelson,

Please see the attached broker letter.

Please confirm receipt.

Sincerely,

John Chevedden



November 05, 2020

JOHN R CHEVEDDEN

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Sincerely,

Matthew Vasquez
Operations Specialist

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## McCarthy, Eileen

From:

John Chevedden

Sent:

Friday, December 4, 2020 9:39 AM

To:

Nelson, Brandon

Cc:

McCarthy, Eileen; JetBlue Investor Relations

Subject:

Rule 14a-8 Proposal (JBLU)"

revised

**Attachments:** 

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Mr. Nelson,

Please see the attached rule 14a-8 proposal to improve corporate governance and enhance long-term shareholder value at de minimis up-front cost — especially considering the substantial market capitalization of the company.

I can forward a broker letter today. So if you confirm receipt of this proposal it will save you the need to request a broker letter.

Sincerely, John Chevedden

Mr. Brandon Nelson JetBlue Airways Corporation (JBLU) 27-01 Queens Plaza North Long Island City, New York 11101 PH: 718-286-7900

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Dear Mr. Nelson,

This Rule 14a-8 proposal is respectfully submitted in support of the long-term performance of our company.

This Rule 14a-8 proposal is intended as a low-cost method to improve company performance – especially compared to the substantial capitalization of our company.

This proposal is for the next annual shareholder meeting. Rule 14a-8 requirements will be met including the continuous ownership of the required stock value until after the date of the respective shareholder meeting and presentation of the proposal at the annual meeting. This submitted format, with the shareholder-supplied emphasis, is intended to be used for definitive proxy publication.

I expect to forward a broker letter soon so if you acknowledge this proposal in an email message it will save you from requesting a broker letter from me.

Sincerely.

Khn Chevedden

November 1, 2020

Date

cc: Eileen McCarthy <Eileen.McCarthy@jetblue.com>
James G. Hnat <ir@jetblue.com>

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# [JBLU – Rule 14a-8 Proposal, November 1, 2020 | Revised December 4, 2020] [This line and any line above it is not for publication.] Proposal 4 – Special Shareholder Meeting

Shareholders ask our board to take the steps necessary to amend the appropriate company governing documents to give the owners of a combined 10% of our outstanding common stock the power to call a special shareholder meeting. The Board of Directors would continue to have its existing power to call a special meeting.

JetBlue shareholder need the right to call a special shareholder meeting due to their current lame right to act by written consent.

Currently it takes the formal backing 30% of all shares that normally cast ballots at the annual meeting to do so little ask for a record date for written consent. Requiring the formal backing 30% of shares to do so little as to ask for a record date cuts shareholders off at the knees.

Plus any action taken by written consent still needs 62% supermajority approval from the shares that normally cast ballots at the annual meeting. This 62% vote requirement gives overwhelming supermajority protection to management.

In 2020 there has been a dramatic development that makes shareholder meetings so much easier for management with substantial cost reduction. A special shareholder meeting can now be an online shareholder meeting which is so much easier for management. The 2020 pandemic has resulted in an avalanche of online shareholder meetings — more than 2000 such meetings.

Management accountability is so well defended at online meetings that shareholders should at least have the option to call for a special shareholder meeting.

Management now has the option of screening out constructive criticism of management at a special online shareholder meeting. Thus the core purpose of such a meeting can simply be the announcement of the vote on an important issue that occurs between annual meetings such as the election of a director.

The Goodyear online shareholder meeting was spoiled by a trigger-happy management mute button for shareholders that was used to quash constructive criticism. AT&T would not even allow shareholders to speak at its online shareholder meeting. Shareholders are so restricted at online meetings that management will never want a return to the more transparent in-person shareholder meeting format.

#### Please see:

Goodyear's virtual meeting creates issues with shareholder https://www.crainscleveland.com/manufacturing/goodyears-virtual-meeting-creates-issues-shareholder

#### Please see:

AT&T investors denied a dial-in as annual meeting goes online https://whbl.com/2020/04/17/att-investors-denied-a-dial-in-as-annual-meeting-goes-online/1007928/

Please vote yes:

Special Shareholder Meeting-Proposal 4

[The line above - Is for publication. Please assign the correct proposal number in the 2 places.]

Notes:

This proposal is believed to conform with Staff Legal Bulletin No. 14B (CF), September 15, 2004 including (emphasis added):

Accordingly, going forward, we believe that it would not be appropriate for companies to exclude supporting statement language and/or an entire proposal in reliance on rule 14a-8(I)(3) in the following circumstances:

the company objects to factual assertions because they are not supported;

 the company objects to factual assertions that, while not materially false or misleading, may be disputed or countered;

 the company objects to factual assertions because those assertions may be interpreted by shareholders in a manner that is unfavorable to the company, its directors, or its officers; and/or

 the company objects to statements because they represent the opinion of the shareholder proponent or a referenced source, but the statements are not identified specifically as such.

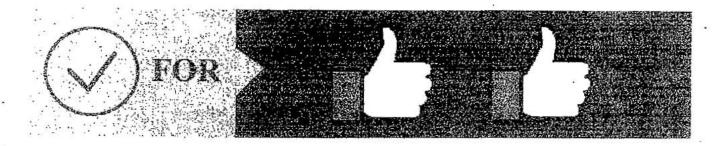
We believe that it is appropriate under rule 14a-8 for companies to address these objections in their statements of opposition.

See also: Sun Microsystems, Inc. (July 21, 2005).

The stock supporting this proposal will be held until after the annual meeting and the proposal will be presented at the annual meeting. Please acknowledge this proposal promptly by email

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Sent:

Friday, December 4, 2020 10:09 PM

To:

Nelson, Brandon

Cc:

McCarthy, Eileen; JetBlue Investor Relations; Lona Nallengara

Subject:

Rule 14a-8 Center Justified Proposal Graphic (JBLU)

Mr. Nelson,

This is a better copy of the center justified graphic (for proxy publication) included with the rule 14a-8 proposal.

The graphic is to be published just below the top title of the rule 14a-8 proposal.

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From: John Chevedden

Sent: Tuesday, January 5, 2021 10:37 AM

**To:** Nelson, Brandon < <u>Brandon.Nelson@jetblue.com</u>> **Cc:** McCarthy, Eileen < <u>Eileen.McCarthy@jetblue.com</u>>

Subject: Rule 14a-8 Proposal (JBLU) blb w1

Mr. Nelson,

This broker letter goes with the rule 14a-8 proposal submitted on November 1, 2020 and then revised.

Please confirm receipt within a day.

Please confirm that the company will forward an advance copy of the corresponding management position statement 30-days before the publication of the 2021 annual meeting proxy.

Sincerely, John Chevedden



November 05, 2020

JOHN R CHEVEDDEN

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