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SCHEDULE 14A

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CREE, INC.

(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

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Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Shareholder Meeting to Be Held on October 22, 2018.

Meeting Information

CREE, INC. Meeting Type: Annual Meeting

For holders as of: August 27, 2018 Date: October 22, 2018 Time: 12:00 PM EDT

Location: CREE LIGHTING EXPERIENCE CENTER

4408 SILICON DRIVE

DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA 27703

You are receiving this communication because you hold shares in the above named company.

CREE, INC. 4600 SILICON DRIVE

DURHAM, NC 27703

This is not a ballot. You cannot use this notice to vote these shares. This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet. You may view the proxy materials online at www.proxyvote.com or easily request a paper copy (see reverse side).

We encourage you to access and review all of the important information

contained in the proxy materials before voting.

See the reverse side of this notice to obtain proxy materials and voting instructions.

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Proxy Materials Available to VIEW or RECEIVE:

NOTICE AND PROXY STATEMENT ANNUAL REPORT

How to View Online:

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How to Request and Receive a PAPER or E-MAIL Copy:

If you want to receive a paper or e-mail copy of these documents, you must request one. There is NO charge for requesting a copy. Please choose one of the following methods to make your request:

1) BY INTERNET: www.proxyvote.com 2) BY TELEPHONE: 1-800-579-1639

3) BY E-MAIL*: sendmaterial@proxyvote.com

Requests, instructions and other inquiries sent to this e-mail address will NOT be forwarded to your investment advisor. Please make the request as instructed above on or before October 8, 2018 to facilitate timely delivery.

— How To Vote —	
Please Choose One of the Following	Voting Methods

Vote In Person: Many shareholder meetings have attendance requirements including, but not limited to, the possession of an attendance ticket issued by the entity holding the meeting. Please check the meeting materials for any special requirements for meeting attendance. At the meeting, you will need to request a ballot to vote these shares.

Vote By Internet: To vote now by Internet, go to www.proxyvote.com. Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow (located on the following page) available and follow the instructions.

Vote By Mail: You can vote by mail by requesting a paper copy of the materials, which will include a proxy card.

^{*} If requesting materials by e-mail, please send a blank e-mail with the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow (located on the following page) in the subject line.

Voting Items

The Board of Directors recommends that you vote FOR the following:

1. ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Nominees:

01)	John C.	05)	Gregg	
Hodg	e	A. Lowe		
	Clyde R. Hosein	06)	John	
02)		В.		
		Replogle		
02)	Darren	07)	Thomas	
,		H.		
R. Jac	CKSON	Werner		
04)	3	08)	Anne	
04) T. I.		C.		
T. Le		Whitaker		

The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following proposals.

RATIFICATION OF THE APPOINTMENT OF PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS LLP AS INDEPENDENT AUDITORS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2019.

ADVISORY (NONBINDING) VOTE 3. TO APPROVE EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION.

NOTE: Such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.