

GENERAL ELECTRIC CO
Form 8-K
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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of

The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) April 27, 2011

General Electric Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

001-00035
(Commission

File Number)

14-0689340
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

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3135 Easton Turnpike, Fairfield, Connecticut

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (203) 373-2211

06828-0001

(Zip Code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.07. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

(a) The annual meeting of shareowners of the Company was held on April 27, 2011.

(b) The shareowners elected all of the Company's nominees for director; ratified the appointment of KPMG LLP as the Company's independent registered accounting firm for the fiscal year 2011; approved the advisory vote on executive compensation; and approved holding future advisory votes on executive compensation every year. The shareowners did not approve any of the shareowner proposals, which are listed below.

A. Election of Directors:

| | Shares For | Shares Against | Shares Abstain | Non-Votes |
|-----------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| W. Geoffrey Beattie | 5,717,325,631 | 383,106,769 | 43,344,740 | 2,116,572,066 |
| James I. Cash, Jr. | 5,645,873,768 | 458,620,354 | 39,283,018 | 2,116,572,066 |
| Ann M. Fudge | 5,980,010,414 | 125,446,071 | 38,320,655 | 2,116,572,066 |
| Susan Hockfield | 5,753,374,448 | 352,901,081 | 37,501,611 | 2,116,572,066 |
| Jeffrey R. Immelt | 5,820,576,981 | 287,746,410 | 35,453,749 | 2,116,572,066 |
| Andrea Jung | 5,264,422,127 | 841,842,544 | 37,512,469 | 2,116,572,066 |
| Alan G. (A.G.) Lafley | 6,009,125,481 | 94,909,446 | 39,742,213 | 2,116,572,066 |
| Robert W. Lane | 5,693,451,078 | 410,460,140 | 39,865,922 | 2,116,572,066 |
| Ralph S. Larsen | 5,687,148,399 | 415,960,151 | 40,668,590 | 2,116,572,066 |
| Rochelle B. Lazarus | 5,721,498,411 | 384,331,125 | 37,947,604 | 2,116,572,066 |
| James J. Mulva | 5,755,998,766 | 348,124,546 | 39,653,828 | 2,116,572,066 |
| Sam Nunn | 5,561,936,241 | 543,866,478 | 37,974,421 | 2,116,572,066 |
| Roger S. Penske | 5,503,458,091 | 569,136,352 | 71,182,697 | 2,116,572,066 |
| Robert J. Swieringa | 6,001,616,478 | 102,018,837 | 40,141,825 | 2,116,572,066 |
| James S. Tisch | 5,420,316,467 | 684,167,933 | 39,292,740 | 2,116,572,066 |
| Douglas A. Warner III | 5,639,542,216 | 465,911,295 | 38,323,629 | 2,116,572,066 |

B. Ratification of KPMG LLP:

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| For | 8,048,916,752 |
| Against | 147,038,400 |
| Abstain | 64,394,054 |

C. Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation:

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|-----------|---------------|
| For | 4,802,235,894 |
| Against | 1,238,198,783 |
| Abstain | 103,342,463 |
| Non-Votes | 2,116,572,066 |

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D. Advisory Vote on the Frequency of Future Advisory Votes on Executive Compensation:

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|-------------|---------------|
| One year | 5,177,027,789 |
| Two years | 98,524,395 |
| Three years | 819,877,840 |
| Abstain | 48,347,116 |
| Non-Votes | 2,116,572,066 |

1. Shareowner Proposal: Cumulative Voting:

| | |
|-----------|---------------|
| For | 1,632,149,274 |
| Against | 4,445,784,633 |
| Abstain | 65,843,233 |
| Non-Votes | 2,116,572,066 |

2. Shareowner Proposal: Future Stock Options:

| | |
|-----------|---------------|
| For | 1,791,806,984 |
| Against | 4,284,369,342 |
| Abstain | 67,600,814 |
| Non-Votes | 2,116,572,066 |

3. Shareowner Proposal: Withdraw Stock Options Granted to Executive Officers:

| | |
|-----------|---------------|
| For | 450,822,488 |
| Against | 5,631,590,645 |
| Abstain | 61,364,007 |
| Non-Votes | 2,116,572,066 |

4. Shareowner Proposal: Climate Change Risk Disclosure:

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|-----------|---------------|
| For | 240,369,492 |
| Against | 4,924,813,208 |
| Abstain | 978,594,440 |
| Non-Votes | 2,116,572,066 |

5. Shareowner Proposal: Transparency in Animal Research:

| | |
|-----------|---------------|
| For | 451,487,905 |
| Against | 4,384,712,509 |
| Abstain | 1,307,576,726 |
| Non-Votes | 2,116,572,066 |

(d) Disclosure Regarding Frequency of Stockholder Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation:

A majority of the votes cast by shareowners voted, on an advisory basis, to hold an advisory vote to approve executive compensation every year. In line with this recommendation by our shareowners, the Board of Directors has decided that it will include an advisory shareowner vote on executive compensation in its proxy materials every year until the next required advisory vote on the frequency of shareowner votes on executive compensation, which will occur no later than our Annual Meeting of Shareowners in 2017.

(4)

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

General Electric Company
(Registrant)

Date: May 2, 2011

/s/ Michael R. McAlevey
Michael R. McAlevey
Vice President and Chief Corporate, Securities and Finance
Counsel

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