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# **Communications Systems, Inc.**

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Subject Company: Communications Systems, Inc.

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March 17, 2022

Dear Fellow CSI Shareholder:

Communications Systems, Inc. (CSI) adjourned its special meeting of shareholders to Wednesday, March 23, 2022 at 1:00 pm Central Time (CT<u>solely</u> with respect to Proposal #1, the proposal to approve the merger transaction with Pineapple Energy LLC, which is referred to as the Pineapple Merger Proposal, since the approval of this proposal requires a FOR vote from 66 2/3% of CSI's total outstanding shares.

According to our records, you have not voted your CSI shares on Proposal #1. Your vote is very important regardless of the number of CSI shares you own. Please know that not voting is the same as voting against the merger proposal. Please take a moment to vote your shares now or contact your broker for assistance.

The approval of Proposal #1 is critically important to the future of CSI and the value of your investment in your CSI common stock, which is why the CSI board of directors unanimously recommends that CSI shareholders vote "FOR" Proposal #1, the Pineapple Merger Proposal.

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Please use the voting control number that accompanied your proxy materials and vote your shares today using one of the following methods below:

- · Vote by Internet: www.proxyvote.com
- **Vote by phone**: 1 (800) 690-6903

For additional questions or if you need assistance with voting, please call our solicitor Proxy Advisory Group, LLC at: (833) 782-7141.

We thank you for your support and again ask that you vote your shares as promptly as possible.

You may also contact either of us personally, should you have any questions about this important matter.

Sincerely,

Roger H. D. Lacey Executive Chair and Interim Chief Executive Officer (952) 996-1674 Mark Fandrich Chief Financial Officer (612) 875-0162

#### Additional Information and Where to Find It

In connection with the proposed merger with Pineapple, Communications Systems, Inc. ("CSI") filed a registration statement on Form S-4 (File No. 333-260999) with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on November 12, 2021 (as amended, the "Registration Statement"). The Registration Statement includes a proxy statement/prospectus, and was declared effective by the SEC on February 3, 2022. Beginning February 4, 2022, a copy of the proxy statement/prospectus dated February 3, 2022 was sent to CSI shareholders as of the close of business on January 27, 2022, the record date established for the special meeting.

CSI URGES INVESTORS, SHAREHOLDERS AND OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS TO READ THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT AND PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS, AND ANY AMENDMENTS OR SUPPLEMENTS THERETO, AND ANY OTHER DOCUMENTS TO BE FILED WITH THE SEC IN CONNECTION WITH THE MERGER BECAUSE THEY CONTAIN OR WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION.

The Registration Statement, preliminary and definitive proxy statement/prospectus, any other relevant documents, and all other documents and reports CSI filed with or furnishes to the SEC are (or, when filed, will be) available free of charge under the "Financial Reports" tab of the Investors Relations section of our website at www.commsystems.com or by directing a request to: Communications Systems, Inc., 10900 Red Circle Drive, Minnetonka, MN 55343. The contents of the CSI website is not deemed to be incorporated by reference into this document, the Registration Statement or the proxy statement/prospectus. The documents and reports that CSI files with or furnishes to the SEC are (or, when filed, will be) available free of charge through the website maintained by the SEC at http://www.sec.gov.

### Participants in the Solicitation

CSI and its directors and executive officers may be considered participants in the solicitation of proxies by CSI in connection with approval of the proposed merger and other proposals to be presented at the special meeting. Information regarding the names of these persons and their respective interests in the transaction, by securities holdings or otherwise, are set forth in the proxy statement/prospectus dated February 3, 2022. To the extent the Company's directors and executive officers or their holdings of the Company's securities have changed from the amounts disclosed in such filing, to the Company's knowledge, these changes have been reflected on statements of change in ownership on Form 4 on file with the SEC. You may obtain these documents (when they become available, as applicable) free of charge through the sources indicated above.

#### **Caution Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

This document includes certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. All statements, other than statements of present or historical fact, included in this document regarding the proposed merger transaction involving Pineapple Energy LLC ("Pineapple") are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are based on management's current expectations and assumptions about future events and are based on currently available information as to the outcome and timing of future events. These forward-looking statements are subject to numerous risks and uncertainties, including: (i) the conditions to the closing of CSI-Pineapple merger transaction will not be satisfied; (ii) the occurrence of any other risks to consummation of the CSI-Pineapple merger transaction; (iii) the CSI-Pineapple merger transaction; (iv) the Company's ability to sell its other legacy operating business assets and its real estate assets at attractive values; (v) there is no assurance that CSI will receive any of the maximum \$7.0 million earnout relating to the August 2, 2021 sale of CSI's Electronics & Software Segment; (vi) the combined company will be entitled to retain ten percent of the net proceeds of CSI legacy assets that are sold pursuant to agreements entered into after the effective date of the merger; (vii) risks that the merger transaction; (viii) the outcome of any operatings related to the CSI-Pineapple merger transaction; (viii) the outcome of any legal proceedings related to the CSI-Pineapple merger transaction; (viii) the outcome of any legal proceedings related to the CSI-Pineapple merger transaction; (viii) the combined company will be entitled to retain ten percent of the net proceeds of CSI legacy assets that are sold pursuant to agreements entered into after the effective date

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