



Hot Ballots this Week

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This past week, the new ballots on [Moxy Vote](#) had quite a diverse selection of shareholder resolutions.

For example, the [McDonald's ballot](#) has a total of four shareholder resolutions, three of which are supported by our Advocates. The resolution submitted by [PETA](#) asks McDonald's and their suppliers to implement controlled atmosphere killing (CAK), a more humane way of killing poultry. [Mercy Investment Services](#) supports another shareholder resolution that asks McDonald's to address public concerns regarding the correlation between fast food and child obesity, diet-related diseases, and other impacts on children's health. In addition to resolutions focused on animals and children's health, [As You Sow](#) and [Green America](#) complete the array of shareholder issues on the McDonald's ballot with support of a third proposal to implement more environmentally conscious beverage containers. The resolution asks for a recycling strategy and stated goals about how the company plans to make this transition.

Out of six shareholder resolutions on the [JPMorgan Chase ballot](#), our Advocates have opinions on five of them. Individual shareholder activist, [John Chevedden](#), has two resolutions on the ballot. The first resolution addresses shareholder action by written consent, which would allow shareholders to voice their opinion in writing rather than attending a physical meeting. The second proposal asks the company to require an independent Lead Director. In addition to Chevedden's resolutions, the [Center for Political Accountability](#), [Domini Social Investments](#), [UUA](#), and [Walden Asset Management](#) support another corporate governance issue, requesting that JPMorgan Chase disclose their political contributions to shareholders.

The last two [JPMorgan Chase](#) shareholder resolutions are less commonly seen on ballots. One resolution focuses on mortgage loan servicing, and the other is related to genocide-free investing. [Mercy Investment Services](#) is supporting the mortgage loan servicing resolution, hoping to end loan modification discrimination among lower income families. [Investors Against Genocide's](#) resolution, supporting genocide-free investing, highlights an issue often overlooked by shareholders. Individuals may inadvertently invest in companies that fund genocide activities because of larger investment decisions made by JPMorgan Chase. In their resolution, Investors Against Genocide cite PetroChina as an example, stating that JPMorgan Chase has been a large holder of PetroChina and its parent company, China National Petroleum Company. China National Petroleum Company has funded the Government of Sudan's genocide in Darfur, a fact that many JPMorgan Chase shareholders don't know.

Are any of these issues important to you? Be sure to vote your proxy ballots and make a difference!