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On January 27, 2010, Applied Materials, Inc. ( Applied ) filed a definitive proxy statement in connection with its 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the Annual Meeting ).

In connection with the Annual Meeting, on March 5, 2010, James E. Rogers, a director nominee to Applied s Board of Directors, sent an email containing the following text to one of Applied s stockholders.

This confirms my commitment, barring any unforeseen circumstances, to attend at least 75% of the meetings of Applied Materials board of directors and committees on which I serve, so long as I am on Applied Materials board. I will proactively manage my schedule to fulfill this commitment. If I do not fulfill this commitment, I will not stand for re-election to the Applied board.