

EMERSON ELECTRIC CO  
Form DEFA14A  
December 15, 2017

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**  
**SCHEDULE 14A**  
**(Rule 14a-101)**

**INFORMATION REQUIRED IN PROXY STATEMENT**

**SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION**

**Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of the**  
**Securities Exchange Act of 1934**  
**(Amendment No. \_\_ )**

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Preliminary Proxy Statement

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Definitive Proxy Statement

Definitive Additional Materials

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**EMERSON ELECTRIC CO.**

**(Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)**

**(Name of Person(s) Filing Proxy Statement, if other than the Registrant)**

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**Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the  
Shareholder Meeting to Be Held on February 6, 2018.**

**EMERSON ELECTRIC CO.**

**Meeting Information**

**Meeting Type:** Annual

**For holders as of:** November 28, 2017

**Date:** February 6, 2018      **Time:** 10:00 A.M., CST

**Location:** Emerson Electric Co. Headquarters  
8000 West Florissant Avenue  
St. Louis, MO 63136

*EMERSON ELECTRIC CO.*

*8000 WEST FLORISSANT AVENUE*

*P.O. BOX 4100*

*ST. LOUIS, MO 63136-8506*

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

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](http://www.proxyvote.com), scan the QR Barcode on the reverse side, 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.**

## Before You Vote

### *How to Access the Proxy Materials*

#### **Proxy Materials Available to VIEW or RECEIVE:**

1. NOTICE OF 2018 ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS, PROXY STATEMENT AND FORM OF PROXY
2. ANNUAL REPORT TO SHAREHOLDERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

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- 1) *BY INTERNET:* [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com)
- 2) *BY TELEPHONE:* 1-800-579-1639
- 3) *BY E-MAIL\*:* [sendmaterial@proxyvote.com](mailto:sendmaterial@proxyvote.com)

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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 January 23, 2018 to facilitate timely delivery.

## How To Vote

### *Please Choose One of the Following Voting Methods*

**Vote In Person:** A ticket is required for admission to the meeting. If you plan to attend and are a shareholder of record, you will need to request a paper or e-mail copy of the proxy materials which will include an admission ticket. You may request a paper or e-mail copy of the materials by following the instructions above. Please contact the Company at 314-553-2197 to obtain directions to the meeting. At the meeting, you will need to request a ballot or legal proxy to vote these shares.

**Vote By Internet:** Go to [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com) or from a smart phone, scan the QR Barcode above. 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 (as described above), which will include a proxy card.

**Voting Items**

**THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR THE FOLLOWING NOMINEES:**

1. ELECTION OF DIRECTORS FOR TERMS ENDING IN 2021

**Nominees:**

01) A. F. Golden

02) C. Kendle

03) J. S. Turley

ELECTION OF DIRECTOR FOR TERM ENDING IN 2020

04) G. A. Flach

**THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR THE FOLLOWING:**

2. Ratification of KPMG LLP as Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.
3. Approval, by non-binding advisory vote, of Emerson Electric Co. executive compensation.
4. Approval of an amendment to Emerson's Restated Articles of Incorporation to provide shareholders the right to amend the Bylaws.
5. Ratification, on an advisory basis, of the Company's forum selection Bylaw.

**THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE AGAINST THE FOLLOWING:**

6. Approval of the shareholder proposal regarding adoption of an independent Board Chair policy as described in the proxy statement.
  7. Approval of the shareholder proposal requesting issuance of a political contributions report as described in the proxy statement.
  8. Approval of the shareholder proposal requesting issuance of a lobbying report as described in the proxy statement.
  9. Approval of the shareholder proposal on greenhouse gas emissions as described in the proxy statement.
- To act upon such other business as may properly come before the meeting, or any adjournment or postponement thereof.



