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#### CURTISS-WRIGHT CORPORATION

1200 Wall Street West Lyndhurst, New Jersey 07071

October 24, 2001

Dear Stockholder:

#### **URGENT!**

The Special Meeting of stockholders of Curtiss-Wright Corporation is only a few days away. Your Board of Directors has recommended that stockholders vote in favor of the proposed recapitalization.

#### LEADING VOTING ADVISORY SERVICE RECOMMENDS "FOR"

You should also be aware that Institutional Shareholder Services, one of the nation's leading voting advisory services, has recommended that its clients, including institutional investors, mutual funds and other fiduciaries, vote FOR the approval of Proposal 1, the Recapitalization Proposal.

#### TIME IS SHORT, AND YOUR VOTE IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT!

The approval of the recapitalization requires the affirmative vote of holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of Curtiss-Wright common stock, as well as the affirmative vote of holders of a majority of the shares of Curtiss-Wright common stock, other than Unitrin, Inc., voting on the recapitalization in person or by proxy at the special meeting. Your vote is extremely important. According to our latest records, we have not yet received your proxy. Since time is short, we have established a method which will enable you to vote by toll-free proxygram. Please follow the simple steps listed below.

If you have any questions or need assistance in the last-minute voting of your shares, please call Innisfree M&A Incorporated, who is assisting us in the solicitation of proxies, toll-free at

888-750-5834.

Very truly yours,

Martin R. Benante Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

# TOLL-FREE PROXYGRAM OPERATORS WHO ARE INDEPENDENT OF THE COMPANY ARE AVAILABLE TO ASSIST YOU NOW!!!

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. Call Toll-Free 1-877-880-9547, anytime, day or night.
- 2. Tell the operator that you wish to send a collect ProxyGram to ID No. 8442, Curtiss-Wright Corporation.
- 3. State your name, address and telephone number.
- 4. State the bank or broker at which your shares are held and your control number as shown below:

Name: (NA.1)
Broker: (Broker)
Control Number: (ControlNum)
Number of Shares: (NumShares)

5. Give the operator your voting preferences, using the proxy text below.

#### CURTISS- WRIGHT CORPORATION

#### SPECIAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS OCTOBER 26, 2001

#### THIS PROXY IS SOLICITED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

CURTISS-WRIGHT CORPORATION SPECIAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS -- OCTOBER 26, 2001 THIS PROXY IS SOLICITED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS The undersigned hereby appoints Martin R. Benante, Michael J. Denton and Robert A. Bosi, and each of them singly, each with full power of substitution, as the proxy and attorney-in-fact of the undersigned with full authority to represent and vote all shares of common stock of the undersigned at the special meeting of stockholders to be held at the Renaissance Meadowlands Hotel, 801 Rutherford Avenue, Rutherford, New Jersey on October 26, 2001, at 10:00 a.m., local time, or at any adjournment or postponement thereof, upon the matters set forth in the Curtiss-Wright Corporation proxy statement and upon those other matters as may properly come before the special meeting, voting as specified on the reverse side of this card with respect to the matters set forth in the proxy statement, and voting in the discretion of the above-named persons on such other matters as may properly come before the special meeting, including, if submitted to a vote of the stockholders, a motion to adjourn the special meeting to another time or place for the purpose of soliciting additional proxies. The undersigned hereby revokes any proxy previously given and acknowledges receipt of the notice of special meeting and proxy statement dated September 5, 2001.

The shares represented by this proxy will be voted as directed by the undersigned. The board of directors of Curtiss-Wright Corporation recommends a vote 'FOR' each of Proposal One, Proposal Two, Proposal Three, Proposal Four and Proposal Five. IF THIS PROXY IS SIGNED AND RETURNED AND DOES NOT SPECIFY A VOTE ON ONE OR MORE OF THE PROPOSALS, THE PROXY WILL BE VOTED 'FOR' EACH OF THE PROPOSALS AS TO WHICH NO VOTE IS SPECIFIED.

(Continued, and to be signed, on reverse side)

# [x] PLEASE MARK VOTES AS THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS IN THIS EXAMPLE A VOTE 'FOR'EACH OF PROPOSALS 1-5.

1.	Approval	of	Recapitalization Proposal	[	]	FOR	[	]	AGAINST	[	]	ABSTAIN
2.	Approval	of	Board Size Proposal	[	]	FOR	]	]	AGAINST	]	]	ABSTAIN
3.	Approval	of	Written Consent Proposal	[	]	FOR	]	]	AGAINST	]	]	ABSTAIN
4.	Approval	of	Special Meeting Proposal	[	]	FOR	]	]	AGAINST	]	]	ABSTAIN
5.	Approval Proposal		Supermajority Voting	[	]	FOR	[	]	AGAINST	[	]	ABSTAIN

#### [] MARK HERE IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND THE MEETING

#### [] MARK HERE FOR ADDRESS CHANGE AND NOTE AT LEFT

For joint accounts, each owner should sign.
Executors, Administrators,
Trustees, etc. should give full title.

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