#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

## SCHEDULE 14A

#### Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No)

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### **KLA** Corporation

(Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

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

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⊠ No fee required.

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## KLA's Progress on Environmental Goals and Approach to Assessing Scope 3 Emissions





# KLA is on track with Climate Goals

### 2021

Refined our greenhouse gas emissions inventory

Set a goal to use 100% renewable electricity across global operations by 2030

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## 2022

Set a goal of achieving net zero Scope 1 and 2 emissions by 2050

Added interim goal of a 50% reduction in Scope 1 and 2 emissions by 2030

## 2023

#### Doing the hard work to understand and address Scope 3 emissions

Modeling technological/engineering improvements to reduce emissions associated with use of our products

Planning engagement with top suppliers on their GHG profiles to reduce emissions associated with purchased goods & services

These actions aim to address our two largest categories of Scope 3 emissions (responsible for approx. 96% of our Scope 3 emissions profile)

Expected update of our Scope 3 strategy in 2023

## KLA believes in a responsible, impactful approach to ESG



- KLA is motivated by the continuous drive to be better, and we are working diligently to understand and address climate issues
- AYS proposal would result in a less robust foundation for decisionmaking and less accurate results
- We are opposed to irresponsibly announcing a goal on Scope 3
  before we have analyzed the implications of such a goal and what it means for our business in real terms
- We want our goal to reflect what we believe is genuinely feasible
- Academics, regulators, journalists, and other parties have criticized the rush of net zero pledges as empty and potentially counterproductive

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## AYS claims regarding Scope 3 are not accurate or reasonable

ISSUE/AYS STATEMENT		KLA RESPONSE
Misleading data: AYS states KLA's operational emissions increased year over year	>	As stated in KLA's latest Global Impact Report, our figures for emissions increased because of better data availability from recent acquisitions
GHG emissions: AYS states that KLA is leaving 99% of GHG emissions unaddressed	>	KLA's work in process is focused on emissions reduction opportunities for ~96% of our Scope 3 emissions
SBTi-certified emissions reduction commitment: AYS claims that KLA's peers have committed to SBTi-certified emissions reduction goals	>	SBTi's database indicates that most of the companies AYS cites have (sensibly) committed to near-term goals only
<b>Duplicative Request:</b> AYS is requesting an unnecessary report	>	Our research is already underway – additional research would be duplicative, not change the timeline and cause significant disruption to our business.

We urge you to **VOTE AGAINST** a proposal that would irresponsibly rush the Company into disclosure before relevant information has been gathered and analyzed.

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## KLA urges a vote against proposal #4 the AYS shareholder proposal

## The AYS proposal's request is not simple or benign.

Any emissions reduction plan, including "net zero" requires a sophisticated, cross-department effort.

KLA is already executing on a thoughtful plan that will produce an update in 2023. AYS's demand for a report is unnecessary and duplicative.

#### KLA actions are well underway:

- Filling in gaps on product efficiency modeling
- Reviewing and validating modeling assumptions
  - Future efficiency models
  - Moore's Law assumptions (transistor density)
  - Flat panel display assumptions (display size)
- Performing tie-out of modeling and related assumptions to validate accuracy
- Developing and aligning Scope 3 target recommendation
- Providing an update of our Scope 3 strategy in 2023

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## Thank You for your Consideration and Support

