

### THE CORE CODE:

### Be Accountable, Be Trustworthy & Be Honest

### A Code of Business Conduct

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### A Message from Steve LeClair



### TO ALL ASSOCIATES,

Our success is built on relationships of trust. Acting with honesty and integrity in each choice we make is one of our foundational core principles. It's also primary to our mission to build strong relationships with one another and in the communities we serve.

We make or break those relationships through our words and actions. We must never compromise the trust that is placed in us by every person we do business with. Our communities are counting on us to fulfill our vision to foster a world where communities thrive because our people and products provide safe, sustainable infrastructure for generations to come.

Let this guide help you make good decisions, especially when you are uncertain about what to do. Each of us is responsible for reporting potential ethical concerns and we offer several ways to report a potential issue (p. 03). I also expect our leaders and managers to create an environment where associates feel comfortable raising concerns if something doesn't seem right. Our goal is to reinforce our culture of trust, where every associate is empowered to do their best work.

Let's apply this code and demonstrate our leadership in doing the right thing every day.

Thank you,

Steve CEO

### Preface

### Good ethics makes for good business.

How we treat customers, vendors and each other determines the strength of the relationships that enable us to compete in the marketplace.

More than most companies, the success of Core & Main, Inc. and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "Company," "Core & Main" or "we") depends on long-term relationships because of the nature of our industry. Contractors and municipalities rely on us to provide key materials and services that are essential to our country's infrastructure. Our products help provide a base for residential and commercial construction, which supports population and economic growth.

Core & Main is a leader in an industry that demands the highest standards of ethics and professional conduct. This Code of Business Conduct and Ethics (the "Code") applies to all of our directors, officers, employees and associates (each, an "associate" or "you"), and can help you understand the values behind our success. You must strictly observe this Code and are responsible for understanding the Code and acting in accordance with it.

These pages introduce issues that might arise in conducting business, but no document can anticipate every situation. Understanding the law also helps — nothing you do for Core & Main may violate legal standards. But more than anything, we depend on your decency and honesty as professionals to sense a potential conflict between right and wrong.

The Code does not in any way constitute an employment contract or an assurance of continued employment. It is for the sole and exclusive benefit of the Company and may not be used or relied upon by any other party. The Company may modify or repeal the provisions of the Code or adopt a new Code at any time it deems appropriate, with or without notice.

### Speaking Up: How to Report

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### OUR VISION, our higher purpose

To foster a world where communities thrive because our people and products provide safe, sustainable infrastructure for generations to come.

### **OUR MISSION**, how we conduct business

We are industry leaders, supplying local expertise, service and products nationwide to build innovative water, wastewater, storm drainage and fire protection solutions for our customers and the communities we serve.

We invest in the development and well-being of our people, who are the key to our future. Together, we act with honesty and integrity because we believe strong relationships make for strong communities.

### **OUR CORE PRINCIPLES**, what we believe, the foundation of our culture



# Be Accountable

Ultimately, we all depend on each other to play by the rules. That means acknowledging and being mindful of the clear lines that define principled behavior.

Your attention to ethics will ensure Core & Main maintains its leadership in an industry that's crucial to the nation's future.

- See Something, Say Something
- Responding to Improper Conduct
- Watch Over Company Property
- Be Fair to Each Other
- Protect Safety, Privacy and the Environment

### See Something, Say Something

We need each of you to report when you have doubts that Core & Main's ethical standards or legal obligations are being maintained, or if you have a concern about the Company's accounting practices, internal controls or auditing matters. If you are aware of any illegal or unethical behavior or believe that an applicable law, rule or regulation or the Code has been violated, you are required to report it.

But sometimes the lines are not clear, especially if you aren't aware of all the circumstances. Still, err on the side of caution. Speak up — and allow the Company's ethical experts to sort through what can be complex issues. You may save an associate from a mistake, one that might even be inadvertent but still damaging.

Talk to your manager or a representative in our Human Resources or Legal Departments. You should take care to report your concern to someone who is not involved in the possible violation.

If you are not comfortable going to your manager or someone else in the Company, you can make your report anonymously. For that purpose, Core & Main maintains a secure website, called AlertLine, at **www.lighthouse-services.com/coreandmain**. You also can call the AlertLine at **1-844-440-0025**.

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### **Responding to Improper Conduct**

All reports of violations will be promptly investigated and, if appropriate, remedied, and if legally required, immediately reported to the proper governmental authority.

This Code will be enforced on a uniform basis for everyone, without regard to an associate's position within the Company. If an associate violates the Code, they will be subject to disciplinary action, including reprimands and warnings, probation, reassignment, reduction in salary or immediate termination. Supervisors and managers of a disciplined associate may also be subject to disciplinary action for their failure to properly oversee an associate's conduct, or for retaliation against an associate who reports a violation(s).

## **WHAT IF**

### YOU SEE...

Something happens at work that you think might violate Company policy maybe it's a small indiscretion on the part of an associate, or something bigger committed by a supervisor. You hesitate to say anything, perhaps because you hesitate to be judgmental or you fear retaliation.

#### YOU SAY...

Say something if you suspect any wrongdoing. If you make your report honestly and with good intentions, Core & Main will not penalize you even if your suspicion is proven wrong — and will protect you from any retaliation. The Company has a strong process that considers circumstances before administering any consequences to wrongdoers. Your reporting, meanwhile, can prevent small problems from becoming bigger ones.

## **WHAT IF**

### YOU SEE ...

You hear a co-worker tease another associate about their accent. The co-worker adds that he's just joking, but you can tell the associate is offended as she awkwardly walks away.

#### YOU SAY...

Report the incident to a manager. Core & Main strictly enforces respect for all associates, not simply because of laws against racial or ethnic discrimination, but because we're all more productive if we feel safe and respected in our workplace. The Company also embraces diversity as a source of added creativity.



### **Be Fair to Each Other**

In turn, Core & Main seeks to promote and maintain a good working environment. It is in everyone's best interest to do so. Associates who feel welcome as a full team member can focus on succeeding. The Company will not tolerate any conduct that fails to respect other associates, customers and vendors. Discrimination, harassment, bullying and hostility benefit no one, and disrupt a workplace. They simply are unacceptable at Core & Main.

Every associate should endeavor to deal fairly with each of our customers, suppliers, competitors and other associates. No associate should take unfair advantage of anyone through manipulation, concealment, abuse of privileged information, misrepresentation of material facts, or any other unfair-dealing practices.

Core & Main attracts the best talent by providing equal opportunity to all associates and applicants. Diversity that reflects our marketplace assures our customers, vendors and partners that we understand their needs. Diversity in culture and background also gives rise to creativity that leads to superior products and services. Core & Main seeks to be diverse and inclusive, tapping the unique talents and potential of every member of our workforce.

### Watch Over Company Property

Core & Main needs a variety of assets to succeed, everything from the computers on desks to its reputation in the market. We all benefit if each of us respects the Company's property and helps maintain it. That means not using Core & Main assets for personal profit, which can mean something as blatantly wrong as stealing or as seemingly innocent as borrowing a few office supplies.

Associates must ensure that such assets are used only for legitimate business purposes. However, in limited instances, Company assets may be used for other purposes approved by management.

We need your help in protecting Company property from loss, damage, misuse, theft, removal and waste.

### **Protect Safety, Privacy and the Environment**

Core & Main understands that associates must feel safe to succeed. We will work continuously to improve safety programs and procedures, always meeting or exceeding industry standards and local regulations. In turn, all associates must follow those procedures to protect coworkers and themselves.

Following these procedures means never working under the influence of illegal drugs or alcohol. Doing so compromises the good judgment needed in a safe and respectful workplace. Even medication prescribed by a doctor can prevent you from doing your job safely and effectively. If you have any doubt, talk to your doctor and your manager.

Respect for privacy also promotes a safe workplace, and is good business. The release of an individual's private information can have devastating impact in our hyperconnected world. Core & Main is committed to respecting the privacy of individuals, including associates and customers, by following appropriate practices in our collection, use and sharing of personal information.

We also treat the environment with care and respect. Core & Main takes seriously the role that it must play as a steward of the world's resources.

We must comply with all environmental and safety laws and ensure we have the proper policies and procedures in place to protect the environment and our associates from all safety hazards.

## **WHAT IF**

### YOU SEE ...

An associate mentions that a co-worker in the warehouse often slurs their speech and smells of alcohol. But the associate doesn't want to get anyone in trouble and won't report the suspicions to his manager.

#### YOU SAY...

You must report the suspicions to your manager, even if you don't work in the same department. If the co-worker has a drinking problem, they need to get professional help. Not reporting the suspicions also puts the safety of other associates at risk, as well as the safety of the co-worker with the substance problem.

#### YOU SEE ...

A fast-moving co-worker earns praise for his productivity. But you notice he cuts corners, literally, as he slips his forklift outside driving lanes for a faster route, and often skips putting on his seatbelt to save time.

### YOU SAY ...

Share your concerns with a warehouse supervisor. Anyone operating equipment is responsible not only for their safety, but also for the well-being of everyone in their vicinity. Core & Main insists on and encourages strict compliance with safety rules to protect all associates from harm, whether from their own activities or from those around them.

# Be Trustworthy

- Avoid Conflicts of Interest
- Avoid Creating a Conflict for Others
- Protect the Company's Story
- Respect Communication Tools
- Protect Confidential Information

### **Avoid Conflicts of Interest**

Life can be complex and, inevitably, some of us will find ourselves facing money-making opportunities or personal situations that would compete with an aspect of Core & Main's business or interfere with your obligations as an associate. Accordingly, our policy prohibits conflicts of interest. A conflict of interest occurs when an individual's personal interest interferes — or even appears to interfere — in any way with the interests of the Company as a whole. Some may seem innocent, such as using your Company email to promote your personal fundraiser. Others are more serious, such as an invite to invest in a competitor.

A conflict situation can arise when an associate or a member of their family takes actions or has interests that may make it difficult to perform their Company work objectively and effectively. Conflicts of interest also arise when an associate or a member of their family receives improper personal benefits as a result of their position in the Company. Avoid any outside interest, financial activity or relationship that presents a conflict of interest. Those conflicts erode the trust that your colleagues and supervisors hold in your judgment. They must remain confident that your decisions always seek to protect the livelihood they derive from Core & Main. Be careful of that trust. Once lost, it is difficult to regain.

You must consider how your actions might appear, even if you have the best intentions. If you have any doubt about how your choices might be perceived, talk to your manager. They can offer advice and may even OK your opportunity.

## **WHAT IF**

#### YOU SEE...

You build a good relationship with a representative of a supplier. He compliments the skills you bring to the job, and asks if you'd like to work for his company part-time on the weekends, when you wouldn't be working for Core & Main.

### YOU SAY...

Either you decline the work or you check with your supervisor. Even if it appears unlikely, such work with companies associated or competing with Core & Main could raise an unexpected conflict with your duties here. At the very least, your supervisor should be aware and approve of such activity in advance. Though it is not possible to list every activity or situation that might raise a conflict of interest issue(s), the list below is included to help you recognize some of the more significant ones:

- Corporate Opportunities. Personally taking opportunities that are discovered through the use of corporate property, information or position, or using corporate property, information or position for personal gain or competing with the Company. Such action is prohibited.
- Gifts. Receiving from, or giving to, a supplier, customer or competitor, gifts, gratuities, special allowances, discounts or other benefits not generally available. In particular, view skeptically any gifts or business courtesies from any of the preceding groups — they may like you, but also may be looking for an advantage over competitors. Nominal trinkets or nonlavish entertainment can be fine but check with a supervisor or the Legal Department or the Human Resources Department. Cash gifts never are acceptable.

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- Loans. Providing loans to, or guarantees of obligations of, associates or their family members. Such activity will not be allowed without the prior written approval of the Legal Department, and if appropriate, the board of directors of the Company (the "Board") or a committee of the Board. The Company will not extend, maintain or arrange for any personal loan to or for any director or executive officer (or the equivalent thereof).
- Outside Activity. Engaging in any outside activity that materially detracts from or interferes with the performance by an associate of their services to the Company or relates to an enterprise that is a supplier, customer or competitor.
- Personal Interests. Personal interests may include personal relationships inside or outside the Company, which could conflict with the Company's interests. If a loved one works for a competitor or a supplier, your loyalties might be divided. Let a supervisor know. A loved one within the Company, perhaps an associate with whom you have started a personal relationship, might give rise to the appearance of favoritism. Let a supervisor know.
- **Personal Investments.** Directly or indirectly, owning a material amount of stock in, being a creditor of, or having another financial interest in a supplier, customer or competitor.

Hiding a potential conflict only deepens the damage done to trust. All potential and actual conflicts of interest, material transactions or relationships that reasonably could be expected to give rise to such a conflict or the appearance of such a conflict must be promptly communicated to your supervisor, the Legal Department or the Human Resources Department. Associates should take care to report conflicts to a person who they believe is not involved in the matter giving rise to the conflict.

If you have a doubt about whether a conflict of interest exists after consulting this provision of the Code, contact your supervisor or the Legal Department or the Human Resources Department to assist in making that determination.

### **Avoid Creating a Conflict for Others**

We also don't tempt customers or suppliers with inappropriate gifts, entertainment or travel. We want to obtain business based only on the strength of our products and services, and not through bribes or favors. Anti-bribery laws can be vague, broad and harsh — any transaction that might raise doubts should be cleared by your manager, and perhaps the Legal Department.

### **Protect the Company's Story**

Be careful in describing Core & Main to outsiders. The Company's roots stretch back decades, and through numerous companies that came together through the years. Reciting our history, describing our present or projecting our future is best left to the professionals in the Marketing and Communications Department. They can ensure the information shared with the public is accurate, consistent, and reflects the latest news as we continue to grow.

If contacted by an outside person, perhaps a consultant or member of the media, direct them to the Marketing and Communications Department or the Investor Relations Department, who can connect them to the appropriate spokesperson.

### **Respect Communication Tools**

Core & Main must protect its computer network and the tools we use to communicate. Exercise good judgment in using Company technology and help keep it secure. Immediately alert a manager if you detect any security breach.

Reasonable personal use of the computer network is allowed only if it does not interfere with job responsibilities, safety or efficiency. And remember that the Company may monitor any communication through Company accounts and assets, as well as the data stored in Company computers and other devices.

Core & Main recognizes the relevance of social media networking in our professional and personal lives. When associates use social media, they should make clear that any opinions are the associate's and not those of the Company. Also, associates should never share the Company's confidential information through social media.

## **WHAT IF**

### YOU SEE...

You enjoy reading a co-worker's personal Facebook postings; they are a lively take on current events. But in a heated argument about government spending, she says that the country would be better served by utilizing Core & Main for more infrastructure projects because we are the best at what we do.

### YOU SAY...

Bring the post to the attention of your supervisor. Referencing Core & Main in a political context, even in a positive light, is asking for trouble. The debate might then focus on the Company instead of the issue. Also, the post could be seen as being made on behalf of Core & Main rather than by the associate individually.



### **Protect Confidential Information**

Information and ideas propel us forward as a company, and we must protect them to strengthen our future opportunities. Competition demands that Core & Main keep information confidential, such as pricing, proposals and plans — information that must not be exposed to outsiders except in the normal course of business. Also, it often should not be shared with others inside Core & Main unless they need to know.

Core & Main also protects the intellectual property of our suppliers and customers. They trust us with their pricing, proposals and plans. To abuse their trust is to risk the longterm relationships that remain crucial to our business.



Associates should maintain the confidentiality of information (whether or not it is considered proprietary) entrusted to them not only by the Company but by suppliers, customers and others related to our business. Confidential information includes all non-public information that might be of use to our competitors or harmful to the Core & Main, or our customers or suppliers, if disclosed.

Confidential information may be disclosed to others when disclosure is authorized by the Company or legally mandated. The obligation to preserve confidential information is ongoing, even after termination of employment.

## **WHAT IF**

#### YOU SEE ...

A Core & Main associate, talking at a non-work party that you've also attended, proudly mentions how the Company has been growing through acquisitions. Another partygoer scoffs, and the associate ups the ante by mentioning a public company that Core & Main has offered to buy.

### YOU SAY...

This is a potentially serious violation of securities laws and must be reported to your manager who should relay word to the Legal Department. Premature disclosure of acquisitions can enable unscrupulous investors to illegally profit from stock trades. Plus, associates should never discuss Core & Main plans outside the Company. Violations of securities laws can not only impact the Company, but also the individuals involved.

# Be Honest

- Win Fairly
- Comply with Laws, Rules and Regulations
- No Insider Trading
- No Collusion
- Reject Illegal Boycotts
- Be Aware of International Borders
- Honest and Accurate Accounting and Disclosures

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## **WHAT IF**

### YOU SEE ...

A new customer, which is a large construction firm, has entered into a new contract with Core & Main to purchase materials to replace a sewer. The customer then asks if you will send the invoice to a third party, which is a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) that will forward the invoice to the construction firm.

#### YOU SAY ...

Ask your manager if any arrangement seems atypical. In this case, Core & Main needs to ask the construction firm about the invoicing request, since a DBE usually must have a commercially useful function to satisfy regulations. This could be a violation of government requirements for the involvement of DBEs.

### Win Fairly

Core & Main competes vigorously for business. But we compete fairly. We value and depend too much on strong relationships with customers and vendors to take advantage of them.

Depend on the superiority of our products, services, and fair pricing to win business, and ensure all descriptions and commitments are accurate and clear.

We expect the same of our partners, which requires that we carefully research potential suppliers and customers before conducting business.

### **Comply with Laws, Rules and Regulations**

Nothing can stain a company's reputation more deeply than running afoul of the law. Our reputation forms the foundation of our success and maintaining it takes effort. Take the time to learn the applicable laws in the cities and states where you operate on behalf of Core & Main.

Associates are required to comply fully with all laws, rules and regulations affecting Core & Main's business and its conduct in business matters. Any violation of local laws, rules and regulations will amount to a violation of Core & Main's policies — and could expose the Company and the associate to criminal and civil liability.

Core & Main cooperates with any government inquiry or request for materials. If you, as an associate of Core & Main, receive such a request or inquiry, contact the Company's Legal Department immediately.

Associates should take special care when working with governmental entities. Courtesies that might be OK to extend in private business, such as small gifts or entertainment, can in government business run afoul of stricter anti-bribery laws. In addition, many of our municipal customers prohibit Core & Main from making political contributions with Company funds. Therefore, associates must adhere to the Company's political contribution policy.

We need the trust of governments wherever we operate. Laws can be difficult to understand. Raise any questions with our Legal Department.

Beyond the strictly legal aspects involved, associates at all times are expected to act honestly and maintain the highest standards of ethics and business conduct, consistent with the professional image of the Company.

### **No Insider Trading**

Federal and state law prohibits the use of "material non-public (or "inside") information" when trading in or recommending Company securities. In accordance with applicable federal and state law, all associates must abide by the Core & Main Policy on Trading in Securities. As outlined in the Policy on Trading in Securities, no associate may engage in transactions in Company stock while in possession of material non-public information ("Insider Trading") related to Core & Main. Further, no associate who is in possession of material non-public information may communicate such information to third parties who may use such information in the decision to purchase or sell Company stock ("Tipping"). These restrictions also apply to securities of other companies if an associate learns of material non-public information in the course of their duties for Core & Main. In addition to violating Company policy, Insider Trading and Tipping are illegal.

To learn about Insider Trading restrictions, including a discussion of what may constitute material non-public information, please consult the Core & Main Policy on Trading in Securities available on the Company's intranet.

## **WHAT IF**

#### YOU SEE ...

You routinely work on acquisitions; and you believe you are working on a game-changing acquisition that will have a very positive impact on the Company. You think the price of Core & Main stock will go up when the acquisition is announced. You use this material information to buy more shares in Core & Main before the news is public.

#### YOU SAY...

It's important that you do not use your company confidential information when making stock trades, or share that information with others. That is insider trading and is illegal. If you want to buy or sell Core & Main shares, you must follow the Company Policy on Trading in Securities to ensure you follow federal and state laws.



## **WHAT IF**

### YOU SEE ...

At a trade show, where you represent Core & Main, a competitor pulls you aside, saying he wants to talk about tightening the credit terms that your companies extend to a mutual customer. The competitor says it's OK to talk credit terms because that isn't price fixing.

#### YOU SAY...

You should firmly refuse to discuss credit terms. Different credit terms can affect pricing, and therefore are part of the pricing process. Plus, Core & Main associates should never discuss pricing, credit or other aspects of customer relationships with anyone outside the Company, especially with a competitor.



### **No Collusion**

Laws forbid companies from cooperating to boost prices or to keep other companies from the market. Some violations are obvious, such as agreeing with a competitor on prices. Others are less obvious, such as improperly tying the sale of one product to another.

Putting such agreements in writing is a clear violation, but so are oral commitments or even tacit understandings.

We enjoy the competition of bidding processes, and don't try to rig the outcome.

Again, these questions can get hazy. Raise any questions with our Legal Department.

### **Reject Illegal Boycotts**

Customers or vendors may ask that we not buy from or sell to a country. That is a boycott, which raises sensitive political and policy issues — strict laws govern which boycotts are legal for U.S. companies. Do not participate in a boycott of any country until you have consulted the Core & Main Legal Department.

Boycott requests may be subtle, coming through shipping requirements, purchase orders or related contracts. Be wary. Heavy penalties can arise from violations of complicated laws that surround boycotts, with long lists of prohibitions and exceptions.

Any mention of a boycott or request to geographically restrict transactions, shipping or travel should be brought to the attention of the Legal Department.



### **Be Aware of International Borders**

Sometimes, Core & Main materials, services and information are taken outside of the United States or supplied to non-U.S. citizens. Associates who participate in those transactions must know and comply with applicable laws and regulations, which could include things such as added fees or documentation, or even the Company's eligibility to export certain products.

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### YOU SEE...

A delivery for your branch arrives on a Friday afternoon at the end of the month. Your teammate wants to put off recording the new inventory until Monday, to make the afternoon workload lighter.

### YOU SAY...

It's important to keep an accurate count of what inventory we have on hand, as this better helps service our customers through timely delivery of goods. When you know exactly what you have and where it is located, you can retrieve it promptly and fill customer orders efficiently. In addition, improper inventory recordkeeping can lead to financial reporting errors that negatively impact both the branch and the Company.



### Honest and Accurate Accounting and Disclosures

Accurate financial data enables efficient operations within a company and fairness outside. The Company relies on complete and transparent information to make decisions that are in the best interests of Core & Main, and the thousands of associates who rely on its continued success. Accounting that complies with financial, legal, and generally accepted standards builds confidence that the Company is properly managing its business, building trust with our investors and customers.

Our Company expenditures range from dollars to millions, and we approve those purchases based on our delegation of authority process.

Honest and accurate accounting is not limited to accountants. Every day, associates record information and submit it to their managers and beyond. It might concern a sale or an expense report. Small errors can add up to large ones in a company the size of Core & Main, making it important that we treat each record with care.

Further, federal and state securities laws impose continuing disclosure requirements on the Company, and require the

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### YOU SEE...

You are traveling to attend a trade show and your spouse travels with you. He joins you for dinner with your associates and you put the entire meal on your expense report.

### YOU SAY...

When we use Company credit cards, it's important to know what expenses are allowed. Unless a spouse or partner is invited to a Company event, their costs should be itemized and marked as a personal charge on your expense report. Also, use reasonable judgment to reduce unnecessary or excessive expenses. Managers are responsible for closely reviewing associates' expense reports before approving them. Talk with your associate if you suspect they have added personal expenses to their report.

Company to regularly file certain reports with and make certain submissions (the "Reports") to the Securities and Exchange Commission and disseminate them to its shareholders. Such Reports must comply with all applicable legal and exchange requirements and may not contain material misstatements or omit material facts.

All associates directly or indirectly involved in preparing such Reports, any associates who regularly communicate with the press, investors and analysts concerning the Company, and all representatives who assist the Company in preparing such Reports and communications, must ensure that such Reports and communications are (i) full, fair, timely, accurate and understandable and (ii) meet all legal requirements. This policy applies to all public disclosure of material information about the Company, including written disclosures, oral statements, visual presentations, press conferences and media calls.

### Waivers and Exceptions

Circumstances can force exceptions to some rules. Waivers or exceptions to our Code will be granted only in advance and only under exceptional circumstances. Without an advance waiver, it's a rule that was broken without permission it becomes a violation of Company policy.

A waiver of this Code for any executive officer or director may be made only by the Board or a committee of the Board and must be promptly disclosed to shareholders in accordance with applicable law and exchange requirements.

See something, say something. If you have a question about your situation or that of another associate, asking might save a violation and could reinforce the trust you've earned as a valued associate of Core & Main.



### Speaking Up: How to Report

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The Company protects the confidentiality of those making reports of possible misconduct to the maximum extent possible, consistent with the requirements necessary to conduct an effective investigation and the law.

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