VMWARE, INC.

COMPENSATION COMMITTEE CHARTER

November 1, 2021

I. PURPOSE

The Compensation Committee (the “Committee”) of the Board of Directors (the “Board”) of VMware, Inc. (the “Company”) is appointed by the Board to (1) evaluate and set compensation for the Chief Executive Officer (the “CEO”) and the other executive officers, (2) monitor the Company’s compensation strategy, (3) oversee executive succession planning and (4) recommend compensation for non-employee directors.

The Committee has the sole authority to retain and terminate (or obtain the advice of) any outside legal, compensation or other advisers, consultants or experts of its choice that it deems necessary or appropriate in the performance of its duties, but only after taking into consideration all factors relevant to the adviser’s independence from management, including those specified in Section 303A.05(c) of the NYSE Listed Company Manual. The Committee is directly responsible for the appointment, compensation and oversight of the work of any adviser retained by the Committee and has the sole authority to approve the adviser’s fees and the other terms and conditions of the adviser’s retention. The Company shall provide appropriate funding to the Committee, as determined by the Committee, for payment of (1) compensation to any outside advisers retained by the Committee and (2) ordinary administrative expenses of the Committee that are necessary or appropriate in carrying out its duties.

While this charter should be interpreted in the context of all applicable laws, regulations and listing requirements, as well as in the context of the Company’s Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws, it is not intended to establish by its own force any legally binding obligations.

II. MEMBERSHIP

The Committee will consist of no fewer than two members. Each member of the Committee must meet the requirements of the New York Stock Exchange (the “NYSE”) and any other necessary standards of independence under the federal securities and tax laws.

The Board will designate one member of the Committee as Chairperson. No member of the Committee may be removed except by a majority vote of the Board.

III. RESPONSIBILITIES

The principal responsibilities and duties of the Committee in serving the purposes outlined in Section I of this Charter are set forth below. These duties are set forth as a guide, with the understanding that the Committee may establish policies and procedures and may perform other activities that are consistent with this Charter, the Company’s Bylaws and governing law from time to time that it deems necessary or advisable in fulfilling its responsibilities.
The Committee shall:

1. Review and reassess the adequacy of this Charter annually and recommend any proposed changes to the Board for approval.

2. Establish an executive compensation program tied to the strategic and financial objectives of the Company that is intended to motivate and incentivize executives by tying their compensation closely to the Company’s performance and returns to stockholders.

3. Annually (i) review the selection of peer companies used for compensation analysis and (ii) review compensation methodologies, competitive practices, best practices and trends.

4. Annually evaluate the appropriate level and form of compensation for board and committee service by non-employee members of the Board and recommend changes to the Board when appropriate.

5. Review and approve the goals and objectives relevant to the compensation of the CEO. Such goals and objectives may include financial as well as strategic and tactical goals and objectives.

6. Evaluate the performance of the CEO, including performance relative to goals and objectives, as well as overall performance.

7. Based on the evaluation in Section III.6 above, as well as other factors, either as a committee or together with the other independent directors (as directed by the Board), set the compensation levels of the CEO. In setting the short- and long-term cash and equity incentive components of the CEO’s compensation, the Committee shall consider the Company’s performance and stockholder return, the value of similar incentive awards to officers in positions similar to chief executive officer at comparable companies and the awards given to the CEO in past years, as well as such other factors as the Committee deems appropriate. Nothing in this Charter will be construed as precluding discussion of CEO compensation with the Board generally.

8. Review and approve, or make recommendations to the Board with respect to, compensation of the executive officers (other than the CEO).

9. In accordance with the Company’s Corporate Governance Guidelines, oversee the Company’s succession planning process for the CEO and other senior management positions, including the periodic review, discussion and submission of a report to the Board.

10. Review and approve benefits and perquisites and employment-related contracts, agreements and arrangements applicable to the Company’s executive officers that are not made generally available to the Company’s employees.

11. Oversee regulatory compliance with respect to compensation matters.
12. Annually review and oversee the administration of the Company’s equity-based plans and approve any amendments to these plans if the Committee deems it appropriate and such amendments do not require stockholder approval. Make recommendations to the Board regarding amendments that require stockholder approval (including without limitation, any increase in the number of shares reserved under existing equity plans) and the adoption of new equity plans.

13. Approve transactions under the Company’s equity plans.

14. Oversee the administration of the Company’s deferred compensation and 401(k) plans, periodically review the operation of such plans and interpret the provisions and approve amendments thereto, as deemed appropriate by the Committee.

15. Review the Company’s employee compensation strategy for alignment with stockholder interests and the Company’s strategic and tactical objectives.

16. Review and discuss with management the Company’s Compensation Discussion and Analysis (the “CD&A”) and recommend to the Board whether the CD&A should be included in the Company’s annual proxy statement.

17. Prepare the report required to be prepared by the Committee pursuant to the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission for inclusion in the Company’s annual proxy statement.

18. Oversee the Company’s submissions to a stockholder vote on executive compensation matters, including advisory votes on executive compensation and the frequency of such votes, incentive and other executive compensation plans, and amendments to such plans. Review the results of stockholder votes on executive compensation matters and to the extent the Committee determines it appropriate to do so, take such results into consideration in connection with the review and approval of executive officer compensation. Discuss with management the appropriate engagement with stockholders and proxy advisory firms in response to such votes.

19. Prepare and review with the Board an annual performance evaluation of the Committee. Fulfill such other duties and responsibilities as may be assigned to the Committee, from time to time, by the Board, or as may be required by law or regulation.

IV. OTHER MATTERS

1. Meetings of the Committee will be held at least quarterly, and more often as necessary, as determined by the Committee.

2. The Committee may fix its own rules of procedure, which must be consistent with the Bylaws of the Company and this Charter. The Committee may form and delegate authority to subcommittees (consisting of one or more persons) or officers of the Company when appropriate and within the scope permitted by applicable statutes, regulations, listing requirements and the Company’s Bylaws.
3. The Committee shall regularly report to the Board on its activities.

4. Any action taken by the Committee will be valid and effective, whether or not the members of the Committee at the time of such action are later determined not to have satisfied the requirements for membership provided herein.