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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>May Brendan</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O TMC THE METALS COMPANY INC.,</u> <u>595 HOWE STREET, 10TH FLOOR</u> (Street) <u>VANCOUVER AI</u> <u>V6C 2T5</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>TMC the metals Co Inc. [TMC]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) ☒ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>05/31/2024</u>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) ☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
	Rule 10b5-1(c) Transaction Indication ☐ Check this box to indicate that a transaction was made pursuant to a contract, instruction or written plan that is intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c). See Instruction 10.	

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Shares	05/31/2024		A		68,027 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$0.00	160,308	D	
Common Shares	05/31/2024		A		68,027 ⁽²⁾	A	\$0.00	228,335	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					

Explanation of Responses:

1. Pursuant to the Issuer's Nonemployee Director Compensation Policy, the Reporting Person was granted restricted stock units under the Issuer's 2021 Equity Incentive Plan, which will vest over a three year period as follows, subject to continued service through each vesting date: 1/3 on the first anniversary of May 31, 2024 (the "Grant Date"), 1/3 on the second anniversary of the Grant Date and 1/3 on the third anniversary of the Grant Date.

2. Pursuant to the Issuer's Nonemployee Director Compensation Policy, the Reporting Person was granted restricted stock units ("RSUs") under the Issuer's 2021 Equity Incentive Plan. Each RSU represents the right to receive one common share upon vesting. The RSU shall vest on the date of the Issuer's 2025 annual meeting of shareholders, subject to the Reporting Person's continued service through the vesting date.

/s/ Ryan Coombes, General Counsel
06/04/2024
** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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