FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Leonard Scott Edward						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TMC the metals Co Inc. [ TMC ]									5. Relationship of Reporting Perso (Check all applicable)  X Director  Officer (give title				on(s) to Issuer  10% Owner  Other (specify				
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O TMC THE METALS COMPANY INC.						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/13/2021								below) below)									
595 HOWE STREET, 10TH FLOOR  (Street)  VANCOUVER A1 V6C 2T5					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Perform filed by More than One Reports on Person									Perso	n							
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	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																						
Date		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Ye	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year		,   1	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		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Owners (1)							
									Code	v	Am	ount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)		(Instr. 4)				
Common Shares															6,669,000		I(1)		By Sustainable Opportunities Holdings LLC				
Common	Shares			09/13/202	1				A		8,	,032(2)	A	\$ <mark>0</mark>	8,032		8,032		D				
		Tal	ble	II - Derivati (e.g., pu												d							
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Date (Month/Day/Year)   Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)   Transaction Code (Instr. 8)   Si Air (Air Chillian)   Code (Instr. 8)   Code (Instr. 8)				5. Nu of Deriv Secul Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr and 5	ative rities ired osed	Ex  (Mo	piration onth/Da	ay/Year) Securi Under Deriva Securi 3 and		unt of rities rlying ative rity (Instr.	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)  r.  r.  derivative Security Securi		urities eficially led or I (I) (or ted saction(s)		ership i: it (D) direct str. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)					

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The Reporting Person has voting and investment discretion with respect to certain securities held by Sustainable Opportunities Holdings LLC (the "Sponsor") and may be deemed to have shared beneficial ownership of such securities held directly by the Sponsor. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of these securities in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of all of the reported securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- 2. Includes 8,032 restricted stock units granted under the Issuer's 2021 Incentive Equity 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 September 13, 2021 (the "Grant Date"), 1/3 on the second anniversary of the Grant Date and 1/3 on the third anniversary of the Grant Date.

/s/ Jaime Lee, Attorney-in-

**Fact** 

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

09/15/2021

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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