## Appendix E-4

## Churches Asked to Send Additional Commissioner to Each Presbytery Meeting for One Year Beginning with 2024 Spring Stated Meeting

Section 2.08 of our Manual of Operations provides:

At the winter stated meeting of each year, the stated clerk shall report to the presbytery the number of resident active teaching elder members of the presbytery, and the number of ruling elders in the following categories: ruling elder commissioners eligible to be elected from each session, ruling elders who are Certified Christian Educators or commissioned to pastoral service, and ruling elders who are members of the presbytery by virtue of their office or role.

If the number of resident active teaching elders exceeds the sum of the ruling elders eligible, the stated clerk shall put forward a motion asking particular congregations to elect an additional elder commissioner in such numbers as will equalize the eligible ruling elder commissioners with resident active teaching elder members. The clerk shall create the list of congregations by rotating through the alphabetical list of congregations in the presbytery (G-3.0301).

For this cycle, the stated clerk does not recommend asking particular congregations to elect an additional commissioner.

Teaching Elder Attendees		
Resident active teaching elders*	64	
Other honorably retired attendees (on average)	<u>5</u>	
Teaching elder attendees	69	
*Includes honorably retired TEs who serve churches/validated ministries.		
Duling Elder Attendees		

Ruling Elder Attendees		
From churches	60	
Commissioned ruling elders	6	
Ruling Elder members by office	8	
Certified Christian educators	<u>3</u>	
Ruling elder attendees	77	