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COUNTY OF FORT BEND       §

**ADDENDUM TO MEEDER PUBLIC FUNDS, INC.'S AGREEMENT**

THIS ADDENDUM ("Addendum") is entered into by and between Fort Bend County, ("County"), a body corporate and politic under the laws of the State of Texas, and Meeder Public Funds, Inc., ("Meeder"), a company authorized to conduct business in the State of Texas (hereinafter each referred to as a "party" or collectively as the "parties").

WHEREAS, subject to the changes herein, the parties have executed and accepted Meeder's Investment Management Agreement, Custody Account Application, and Fee Schedule (the "Agreement"), attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated fully by reference, for investment management services for public entity clients (the "Services"); and

WHEREAS, § 2256.003 of the Texas Government Code authorizes the County to contract with an investment management firm registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. § 80b-1 et seq.) or with the State Securities Board to provide for the investment and management of the County's public funds or other funds under its control; and

WHEREAS, Meeder is an investment management firm registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. § 80b-1 et seq.) or with the State Securities Board to provide for the investment and management of public funds; and

WHEREAS, County desires that Meeder provide Services as will be more specifically described in this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Meeder represents that it is qualified and desires to perform such Services; and

WHEREAS, the following changes are incorporated as if a part of the Agreement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions set forth below, the parties agree as follows:

**AGREEMENT**

1. **Term.** The term of the Agreement is effective upon execution of both parties, and will end no later than two (2) years thereafter, unless terminated sooner pursuant to the Agreement. This Agreement shall not automatically renew, but may be subsequently renewed in writing upon agreement of the parties, and upon an order or resolution of the County's Commissioners Court.
2. **Scope of Services.** Subject to this Addendum, Meeder will render Services to County as described in Exhibit A. All performance of the Scope of Services by Meeder including any changes in the Scope of Services and revision of work satisfactorily performed will be performed only when approved in advance and authorized by County.

3. **Payment; Non-appropriation; Taxes.** Payment shall be made by County within thirty (30) days of receipt of invoice(s). Meeder may submit invoice(s) electronically in a form acceptable to County via: [apauditor@fortbendcountytexas.gov](mailto:apauditor@fortbendcountytexas.gov). If County disputes charges related to the invoice submitted by Meeder, County shall notify Meeder no later than twenty-one (21) days after the date County receives the invoice. If County does not dispute the invoice, then County shall pay each such approved invoice within thirty (30) calendar days. It is specifically understood and agreed that in the event no funds or insufficient funds are appropriated by Fort Bend County under this Agreement, Fort Bend County shall notify all necessary parties that this Agreement shall thereafter terminate and be null and void on the last day of the fiscal period for which appropriations were made without penalty, liability or expense to Fort Bend County. County is a body corporate and politic under the laws of the State of Texas and claims exemption from sales and use taxes. A copy of a tax-exempt certificate will be furnished upon request. Interest resulting from late payments by County shall be governed by Chapter 2251, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE. County reserves the right to withhold payment pending verification of satisfactory work performed.
4. **Limit of Appropriation.** It is expressly understood and agreed that County has available the total maximum sum of funds hereinafter certified available by the County Auditor of Fort Bend County for the purpose of satisfying County's obligations under the terms and provisions of this Agreement; that notwithstanding anything to the contrary, or that may be construed to the contrary, the liability of County as to payment under the terms and provisions of this Agreement is limited to this sum, plus additional amounts of funds from time to time certified available pursuant to Sections 111.061 through 111.073 of the Local Government Code, as amended, for the purpose of satisfying County's obligations under the terms and provisions of this Agreement; and that when and if all the funds so certified are expended for the purpose of satisfying County's obligations under the terms and provisions of this Agreement, the sole and exclusive remedy of Meeder is to terminate this Agreement. Meeder does further understand and agree, said understanding and agreement also being of the absolute essence of this Agreement, that the total maximum compensation that Meeder may become entitled to and the total maximum sum that County may become liable to pay to Meeder shall not under any conditions, circumstances, or interpretations thereof exceed the funding certified as available by the Auditor as of the date so certified.
5. **Public Information Act and Open Meetings Act.** Meeder expressly acknowledges that County is subject to the Texas Public Information Act, TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN. §§ 552.001 *et seq.*, as amended, and notwithstanding any provision in the Agreement to the contrary, County will make any information related to the Agreement, or otherwise, available to third parties in accordance with the Texas Public Information Act. Any proprietary or confidential information marked as such provided to County by Meeder shall not be disclosed to any third party, except as directed by the Texas Attorney General in response to a request for such under the Texas Public Information Act, which provides for notice to the owner of such marked information and the opportunity for the owner of such information to notify the Attorney General of the reasons why such information should not be disclosed. The terms and conditions of the Agreement are not proprietary or confidential information.

Meeder expressly acknowledges that County is subject to the Texas Open Meetings Act, TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN. §§ 551.001 *et seq.*, as amended, and notwithstanding any provision in the Agreement to the contrary, County will comply with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act in relation to the Agreement.

6. **Indemnity.** The parties agree that under the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, County cannot enter into an agreement whereby County agrees to indemnify or hold harmless another party; therefore, all references of any kind to County defending, indemnifying, holding or saving harmless Meeder for any reason are hereby deleted. Meeder shall indemnify and defend County against all losses, liabilities, claims, causes of action, and other expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, arising from activities of Meeder, its agents, servants or employees, performed under this agreement that result from the negligent act, error, or omission of Meeder or any of Meeder's agents, servants or employees.
7. **Applicable Law; Arbitration; Attorney Fees.** The laws of the State of Texas govern all disputes arising out of or relating to this Agreement. The parties hereto acknowledge that venue is proper in Fort Bend County, Texas, for all legal actions or proceedings arising out of or relating to this Agreement and waive the right to sue or be sued elsewhere. Nothing in the Agreement shall be construed to waive the County's sovereign immunity. County does not agree to submit disputes arising out of the Agreement to binding arbitration. Therefore, any references to binding arbitration or the waiver of a right to litigate a dispute are hereby deleted. County does not agree to pay any and/or all attorney fees incurred by Meeder in any way associated with the Agreement.
8. **Certain State Law Requirements for Contracts.** The contents of this Section are required by Texas Law and are included by County regardless of content. For purposes of Sections 2252.152, 2271.002, and 2274.002, Texas Government Code, as amended, Meeder hereby verifies that Meeder and any parent company, wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, and affiliate:
  - a. Unless affirmatively declared by the United States government to be excluded from its federal sanctions regime relating to Sudan or Iran or any federal sanctions regime relating to a foreign terrorist organization, is not identified on a list prepared and maintained by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts under Section 806.051, 807.051, or 2252.153 of the Texas Government Code.
  - b. If employing ten (10) or more full-time employees and this Agreement has a value of \$100,000.00 or more, Meeder does not boycott Israel and is authorized to agree in such contracts not to boycott Israel during the term of such contracts. "Boycott Israel" has the meaning provided in § 808.001 of the Texas Government Code.
  - c. If employing ten (10) or more full-time employees and this Agreement has a value of \$100,000.00 or more, Meeder does not boycott energy companies and is authorized to agree in such contracts not to boycott energy companies during the term of such contracts. "Boycott energy company" has the meaning provided in § 809.001 of the Texas Government Code.
  - d. If employing ten (10) or more full-time employees and this Agreement has a value of \$100,000.00 or more, Meeder does not have a practice, policy, guidance, or directive that discriminates against a firearm entity or firearm trade association and is authorized to

agree in such contracts not to discriminate against a firearm entity or firearm trade association during the term of such contracts. "Discriminate against a firearm entity or firearm trade association" has the meaning provided in § 2274.001(3) of the Texas Government Code. "Firearm entity" and "firearm trade association" have the meanings provided in § 2274.001(6) and (7) of the Texas Government Code.

9. **No Waiver of Jury Trial.** The County does not agree that all disputes (including any claims or counterclaims) arising from or related to this Agreement shall be resolved without a jury. Therefore, any references to waiver of jury trial are hereby deleted.
10. **Modifications and Waivers.** The parties may not amend or waive this Agreement, except by a written agreement executed by both parties. No failure or delay in exercising any right or remedy or requiring the satisfaction of any condition under this Agreement, and no course of dealing between the parties, operates as a waiver or estoppel of any right, remedy, or condition. The rights and remedies of the parties set forth in this Agreement are not exclusive of, but are cumulative to, any rights or remedies now or subsequently existing at law, in equity, or by statute. No other provisions to this Agreement apply except for the terms which appear in this Addendum and Exhibit A.
11. **Human Trafficking.** BY ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT, MEEDER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT FORT BEND COUNTY IS OPPOSED TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND THAT NO COUNTY FUNDS WILL BE USED IN SUPPORT OF SERVICES OR ACTIVITIES THAT VIOLATE HUMAN TRAFFICKING LAWS.
12. **Use of Customer Name.** Meeder may use County's name without County's prior written consent only in any of Meeder's customer lists, any other use must be approved in advance by County.
13. **Performance Warranty.** Meeder warrants to County that Meeder has the skill and knowledge ordinarily possessed by well-informed members of its trade or profession practicing in the greater Houston metropolitan area and Meeder will apply that skill and knowledge with care and diligence to ensure that the Services provided hereunder will be performed and delivered in accordance with the highest professional standards.  
  
Meeder warrants to County that the Services will be free from material errors and will materially conform to all requirements and specifications required by this Agreement.
14. **Personnel.** Meeder represents that it presently has, or is able to obtain, adequate qualified personnel in its employment for the timely performance of the Services required under this Agreement and that Meeder shall furnish and maintain, at its own expense, adequate and sufficient personnel, in the opinion of County, to perform the Services when and as required and without delays.

All employees of Meeder shall have such knowledge and experience as will enable them to perform the duties assigned to them. Any employee of Meeder or agent of Meeder who, in the opinion of County, is incompetent or by his conduct becomes detrimental to providing

Services pursuant to this Agreement shall, upon request of County, immediately be removed from association with the Services required under this Agreement.

15. **Conflict.** In the event there is a conflict between this Addendum and the Agreement, this Addendum controls to the extent of the conflict.
16. **Understanding, Fair Construction.** By execution of this Addendum, the parties acknowledge that they have read and understood each provision, term and obligation contained in this Addendum. This Addendum, although drawn by one party, shall be construed fairly and reasonably and not more strictly against the drafting party than the nondrafting party.
17. **Inspection of Books and Records.** Meeder will permit County, or any duly authorized agent of County, to inspect and examine the books and records of Meeder for the purpose of verifying the amount of work performed under the Scope of Services. County's right to inspect survives the termination of this Agreement for a period of four (4) years.
18. **Captions.** The section captions used in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and do not affect the interpretation or construction of this Agreement.
19. **Electronic and Digital Signatures.** The parties to this Agreement agree that any electronic and/or digital signatures of the parties included in this Agreement are intended to authenticate this writing and to have the same force and effect as the use of manual signatures.
20. **Ownership and Reuse of Documents.** All documents, data, reports, research, graphic presentation materials, etc., developed by Meeder as a part of its work under this Agreement, shall become the property of County upon completion of this Agreement, or in the event of termination or cancellation thereof, at the time of payment under § 3 for work performed. Meeder shall promptly furnish all such data and material to County on request.
21. **Compliance with Laws.** Meeder shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws, statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations, and the orders and decrees of any courts or administrative bodies or tribunals in any matter affecting the performance of this Agreement, including, without limitation, Worker's Compensation laws, minimum and maximum salary and wage statutes and regulations, licensing laws and regulations. When required by County, Meeder shall furnish County with certification of compliance with said laws, statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations, orders, and decrees above specified. Meeder certifies that it holds all licenses required by the federal government and the State of Texas for a provider of the goods and/or services described by the Scope of Services herein. Nothing in this Agreement will be construed to waive the requirements of any record retention laws applicable to County.
22. **Assignment and Delegation.**
  - 22.1. Neither party may assign any of its rights under this Agreement, except with the prior written consent of the other party. That party shall not unreasonably withhold its consent. All assignments of rights are prohibited under this subsection, whether

they are voluntarily or involuntarily, by merger, consolidation, dissolution, operation of law, or any other manner.

22.2. Neither party may delegate any performance under this Agreement.

22.3. Any purported assignment of rights or delegation of performance in violation of this Section is void.

23. **Successors and Assigns.** County and Meeder bind themselves and their successors, executors, administrators and assigns to the other party of this Agreement and to the successors, executors, administrators and assigns of the other party, in respect to all covenants of this Agreement.

24. **Confidential Information.** Meeder acknowledges that it and its employees or agents may, in the course of performing their responsibilities under this Agreement, be exposed to or acquire information that is confidential to County. Any and all information of any form obtained by Meeder or its employees or agents from County in the performance of this Agreement shall be deemed to be confidential information of County ("Confidential Information"). Any reports or other documents or items (including software) that result from the use of the Confidential Information by Meeder shall be treated with respect to confidentiality in the same manner as the Confidential Information. Confidential Information shall be deemed not to include information that (a) is or becomes (other than by disclosure by Meeder) publicly known or is contained in a publicly available document; (b) is rightfully in Meeder's possession without the obligation of nondisclosure prior to the time of its disclosure under this Agreement; or (c) is independently developed by employees or agents of Meeder who can be shown to have had no access to the Confidential Information.

Meeder agrees to hold Confidential Information in strict confidence, using at least the same degree of care that Meeder uses in maintaining the confidentiality of its own confidential information, and not to copy, reproduce, sell, assign, license, market, transfer or otherwise dispose of, give, or disclose Confidential Information to third parties or use Confidential Information for any purposes whatsoever other than the provision of Services to County hereunder, and to advise each of its employees and agents of their obligations to keep Confidential Information confidential. Meeder shall use its best efforts to assist County in identifying and preventing any unauthorized use or disclosure of any Confidential Information. Without limitation of the foregoing, Meeder shall advise County immediately in the event Meeder learns or has reason to believe that any person who has had access to Confidential Information has violated or intends to violate the terms of this Agreement and Meeder will at its expense cooperate with County in seeking injunctive or other equitable relief in the name of County or Meeder against any such person. Meeder agrees that, except as directed by County, Meeder will not at any time during or after the term of this Agreement disclose, directly or indirectly, any Confidential Information to any person, and that upon termination of this Agreement or at County's request, Meeder will promptly turn over to County all documents, papers, and other matter in Meeder's possession which embody Confidential Information.

Meeder acknowledges that a breach of this Section, including disclosure of any Confidential Information, or disclosure of other information that, at law or in equity, ought to remain confidential, will give rise to irreparable injury to County that is inadequately compensable in damages. Accordingly, County may seek and obtain injunctive relief against the breach or threatened breach of the foregoing undertakings, in addition to any other legal remedies that may be available. Meeder acknowledges and agrees that the covenants contained herein are necessary for the protection of the legitimate business interest of County and are reasonable in scope and content.

Meeder in providing all Services hereunder agrees to abide by the provisions of any applicable Federal or State Data Privacy Act.

25. **Independent Contractor.** In the performance of work or services hereunder, Meeder shall be deemed an independent contractor, and any of its agents, employees, officers, or volunteers performing work required hereunder shall be deemed solely as employees of Meeder or, where permitted, of its subcontractors. Meeder and its agents, employees, officers, or volunteers shall not, by performing work pursuant to this Agreement, be deemed to be employees, agents, or servants of County and shall not be entitled to any of the privileges or benefits of County employment.
26. **Further Assurances.** Each party further agrees that it shall take any and all necessary steps and sign and execute any and all necessary documents or agreements required to implement the terms of the agreement of the parties contained in this contract, and each party agrees to refrain from taking any action, either expressly or impliedly, which would have the effect to prohibiting or hindering the performance of the other party to this Agreement.
27. **Third Party Beneficiaries.** This Agreement does not confer any enforceable rights or remedies upon any person other than the parties.
28. **Termination.**
  - 28.1. **Termination for Convenience.** County may terminate this Agreement at any time upon thirty (30) days written notice.
  - 28.2. **Termination for Default.** County may terminate the whole or any part of this Agreement for cause in the following circumstances:
    - (a). If Meeder fails to timely perform Services pursuant to this Agreement or any extension thereof granted by the County in writing;
    - (b). If Meeder materially breaches any of the covenants or terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement or fails to perform any of the other provisions of this Agreement or so fails to make progress as to endanger performance of this Agreement in accordance with its terms, and in any of these circumstances does not cure such breach or failure to County's reasonable satisfaction within a period of ten (10) calendar days after receipt of notice from County specifying such breach or failure.

- 28.3. If, after termination, it is determined for any reason whatsoever that Meeder was not in default, or that the default was excusable, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the County in accordance with § 28.1 above.
- 28.4. Upon termination of this Agreement, County shall compensate Meeder in accordance with § 3, above, for those Services which were provided under this Agreement prior to its termination and which have not been previously invoiced to County. Meeder's final invoice for said Services will be presented to and paid by County in the same manner set forth in § 3 above.
- 28.5. If County terminates this Agreement as provided in this Section, no fees of any type, other than fees due and payable at the Termination Date, shall thereafter be paid to Meeder.
- 28.6. If County terminates this Agreement prior to the termination date, County shall not be subject to any early termination fee or other penalty.
- 28.7. Upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, if Meeder has any property in its possession belonging to County, Meeder will account for the same, and return it to County, or, as directed by County, turn over to its successor.

29. **Insurance.**

- A. Prior to commencement of the Services, Meeder shall furnish County with properly executed certificates of insurance which shall evidence all insurance required and provide that such insurance shall not be canceled, except on 30 days' prior written notice to County. Meeder shall provide certified copies of insurance endorsements and/or policies if requested by County. Meeder shall maintain such insurance coverage from the time Services commence until Services are completed and provide replacement certificates, policies and/or endorsements for any such insurance expiring prior to completion of Services. Meeder shall obtain such insurance written on an Occurrence form from such companies having Bests rating of A/VII or better, licensed or approved to transact business in the State of Texas, and shall obtain such insurance of the following types and minimum limits:
1. Workers Compensation in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas. Substitutes to genuine Workers' Compensation Insurance will not be allowed.
  2. Employers' Liability insurance with limits of not less than \$1,000,000 per injury by accident, \$1,000,000 per injury by disease, and \$1,000,000 per bodily injury by disease.
  3. Commercial general liability insurance with a limit of not less than \$1,000,000 each occurrence and \$2,000,000 in the annual aggregate. Policy

shall cover liability for bodily injury, personal injury, and property damage and products/completed operations arising out of the business operations of the policyholder.

4. Business Automobile Liability coverage applying to owned, non-owned and hired automobiles with limits not less than \$1,000,000 each occurrence combined single limit for Bodily Injury and Property Damage combined.
5. Professional Liability insurance for Information Technology, including Cyber Risk may be made on a Claims Made form with limits not less than \$1,000,000 each claim/loss with a \$2,000,000 aggregate. The insurance should provide coverage for the following risks:

(1). Liability arising from theft, dissemination, and/or use of confidential information (a defined term including but not limited to bank account, credit card account, personal information such as name, address, social security numbers, etc.,) stored or transmitted in electronic form.

(2). Network security liability arising from the unauthorized access to, use of, or tampering with computer systems, including hacker attacks or inability of an authorized third party to gain access to your services, including denial of service, unless caused by a mechanical or electrical failure

(3). Liability arising from the introduction of a computer virus into, or otherwise causing damage to, a customer's or third person's computer, computer system, network, or similar computer-related property and the data, software, and programs thereon.

- B. County and the members of Commissioners Court shall be named as additional insured to all required coverage except for Workers' Compensation and Professional Liability (if required). All Liability policies written on behalf of Meeder shall contain a waiver of subrogation in favor of County and members of Commissioners Court. For Commercial General Liability, the County shall be named as an Additional Insured on a Primary & Non-Contributory basis.
- C. If required coverage is written on a claims-made basis, Meeder warrants that any retroactive date applicable to coverage under the policy precedes the effective date of the Contract and that continuous coverage will be maintained or an extended discovery period will be exercised for a period of 2 years beginning from the time the work under this Contract is completed.
- D. Meeder shall not commence any portion of the work under this Contract until it has obtained the insurance required herein and certificates of such insurance have been filed with and approved by Fort Bend County.
- E. No cancellation of or changes to the certificates, or the policies, may be made without thirty (30) days prior, written notification to Fort Bend County.

F. Approval of the insurance by Fort Bend County shall not relieve or decrease the liability of Meeder.

30. **Severability.** If any provision of this Agreement is determined to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the remaining provisions remain in full force, if the essential terms and conditions of this Agreement for each party remain valid, binding, and enforceable.

31. **Notices.**

31.1. Each party giving any notice or making any request, demand, or other communication (each, a "Notice") pursuant to this Agreement shall do so in writing and shall use one of the following methods of delivery, each of which, for purposes of this Agreement, is a writing: personal delivery, registered or certified mail (in each case, return receipt requested and postage prepaid), or nationally recognized overnight courier (with all fees prepaid).

31.2. Each party giving a Notice shall address the Notice to the receiving party at the address listed below or to another address designated by a party in a Notice pursuant to this Section:

County: Fort Bend County Budget Office  
Attn: Director of Finance & Investments  
301 Jackson Street  
Richmond, Texas 77469

With a copy to: Fort Bend County  
Attn: County Judge  
301 Jackson Street  
Richmond, Texas 77469

Contractor: Meeder Public Funds, Inc.  
Attn: \_\_\_\_\_  
6125 Memorial Drive  
Dublin, Ohio 43017

31.3. A Notice is effective only if the party giving or making the Notice has complied with subsections 31.1 and 31.2 and if the addressee has received the Notice. A Notice is deemed received as follows:

31.3.1. If the Notice is delivered in person, or sent by registered or certified mail or a nationally recognized overnight courier, upon receipt as indicated by the date on the signed receipt.

31.3.2. If the addressee rejects or otherwise refuses to accept the Notice, or if the Notice cannot be delivered because of a change in address for which no Notice was given, then upon the rejection, refusal, or inability to deliver.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Addendum is signed, accepted, and agreed to by all parties by and through the parties or their agents or authorized representatives. All parties hereby acknowledge that they have read and understood this Addendum and the attachments and exhibits hereto. All parties further acknowledge that they have executed this legal document voluntarily and of their own free will. This Agreement is effective upon execution of both parties.

FORT BEND COUNTY

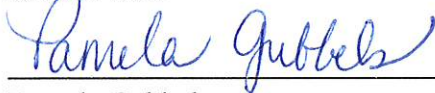
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County Judge

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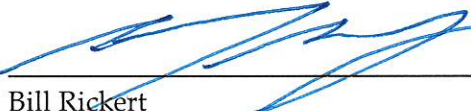
ATTEST:

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Laura Richard  
County Clerk


REVIEWED:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Pamela Gubbels  
Director of Finance & Investments

REVIEWED:

  
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Bill Rickert  
County Treasurer

REVIEWED:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Robert Ed Sturdivant  
County Auditor

MEEDER PUBLIC FUNDS, INC.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Agent – Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Jason Headings  
Authorized Agent- Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sr. Vice President  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
2/27/2023  
Date

(Auditor Certificates on Following Page)

Exhibit A: Meeder's Investment Management Agreement, Custody Account Application, and Fee Schedule

**AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE**

I hereby certify that funds are available in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to accomplish and pay the obligation of Fort Bend County under this Agreement for Services provided by **Meeder** for the below time period:

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Service period

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Robert Ed Sturdivant  
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# Exhibit A



**MEEDER**  
PUBLIC FUNDS

# Investment Management Agreement

Meeder Public Funds

This Investment Management Agreement ("Agreement") is effective as of the date executed by and between Meeder Public Funds, Inc. ("Meeder"), its applicable affiliates, and the undersigned account owner ("Client").

1. **Investment Management Services.** Under this Agreement, Meeder provides discretionary investment management services for public entity clients in accordance with the terms of the applicable state investment code and investment policy.

2. **Appointment.** Client appoints Meeder as discretionary investment manager to manage the assets deposited in any account subject to the terms of this Agreement ("Account"). Meeder accepts the appointment as investment manager and shall invest, reinvest and manage the securities, cash and other assets of the Account subject to any Investment Policy Statement provided by Client. Meeder shall provide advice only with respect to assets in the Account and shall have no responsibility for the actions or non-actions of predecessor investment advisors or for the management of assets other than the assets allocated to the Account.

3. **Trading Authorization.** Client grants Meeder discretionary trading authority and appoints Meeder as agent and attorney-in-fact with respect to investments in the Account. Meeder may direct the purchase, sale, exchange, conversion, delivery or other acquisition or disposition of securities and other investments in the Account and act on behalf of Client in all other matters incidental to the handling of Account investments, all without prior consultation with Client.

4. **Custody.** Meeder will not assume physical custody of the Account or any portion of it. Client shall establish a custodial account with a qualified custodian ("Custodian"). Client will receive from the Custodian account statements and confirmations identifying assets and transactions in the Account. All transactions will be consummated by payment to, or delivery by, the Custodian of all cash, securities and other assets due to or from the Account. The Custodian shall be responsible for investing any daily cash balances in the Account and Meeder will not exercise discretion to select sweep vehicles for the Account.

5. **Investment Objectives and Restrictions.** Client may provide Meeder with an Investment Policy Statement or other written directions setting forth the investment objectives and any specific investment restrictions or limitations which govern the Account. Meeder shall be entitled to rely on such guidelines, objectives and restrictions relating to the Account as it may receive from Client. It is Client's responsibility to inform Meeder in writing of any changes or modifications to the Investment Guidelines, which shall be given ten days in advance of any such change.

6. **Brokerage.** Unless otherwise directed, Meeder will place trades for the Account through such brokers or dealers as it may select. When selecting brokers, Meeder's primary consideration will be the broker's ability to provide best execution of trades and Meeder may consider the quality and reliability of the brokerage services, trade price and commission, as well as research and other services provided by the broker-dealers.

7. **Trade Aggregation.** Meeder may aggregate trades for multiple clients when, in the adviser's judgment, aggregation is in the best interests of the clients involved. Orders are aggregated to facilitate best execution and allocate equitably among clients the effects of any market fluctuations that might have otherwise occurred had these orders been placed independently. Where it is not possible to obtain the same execution price for all securities purchased or sold on an aggregated basis, Meeder may allocate trades equitably among its clients using the average execution price.

8. **Fees.** For the services provided in accordance with this Agreement, Client will pay an investment advisory fee as indicated on Schedule A to this Agreement. Investment advisory fees do not include custody fees charged by Client's selected Custodian. Where Client has elected to have fees deducted, Client authorizes the Custodian to deduct fees from the Account and pay them to Meeder.

9. **Solicitor Arrangements.** Meeder accepts Clients referred through unaffiliated introducing advisors ("Solicitors") and Meeder Public Funds, Inc. may pay a referral fee directly or through its affiliate, Meeder Advisory Services, Inc., in connection with Client's Account. Each Client who is introduced to Meeder by a Solicitor will acknowledge the amount of the referral fee in a separate Written Disclosure Statement.

10. **Third-Party Payments.** Meeder or its affiliates receive compensation from unaffiliated third parties for opening, administering or advising certain financial products offered to advisory clients, including STAR Ohio and the Government Insured Deposit Program (GIDP). Asset based advisory fees are not charged for assets invested in products that pay indirect compensation to Meeder.

11. **Proxy Voting.** Meeder does not accept or assume authority to vote proxies for its public fund clients. Clients will receive their proxies or other solicitations directly from their Custodian. Client agrees that Meeder will not advise or act for Client in any legal proceedings, including bankruptcies or class actions, involving securities held or previously held by the Account or the issuers of such securities.

12. **Electronic Delivery.** Client consents to electronic delivery of all documents from Meeder, including but not limited to a copy of the executed Agreement, statements, confirmations, Meeder's Form ADV Part 2, and other general communications.

13. **Confidentiality.** All information and advice furnished by either party to the other, including their respective agents and employees, shall be treated as confidential and shall not be disclosed to third parties except as otherwise required by law or as agreed to in writing by Client. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Client consents to the use of Client's name in sales and marketing material used by Meeder or its affiliates solely for the purpose of identifying the Client as an investment advisory client.

14. **Services to Other Clients.** Client understands that Meeder serves as investment adviser for other clients and will continue to do so. Client also understands that Meeder, its personnel and affiliates ("Affiliated Persons") may give advice or take action in performing their duties to other clients, or for their own accounts, that differ from advice given to or action taken for Client. Meeder is not obligated to buy, sell or recommend for Client any security or other investment that Meeder or its Affiliated Persons may buy, sell or recommend for any other client or their own accounts.

15. **Meeder's Representations.** Meeder represents that it is a registered investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940.

16. **Client's Representations.** Client represents and acknowledges that: (i) Client is the sole owner of the Account assets and has full power and authority to enter into this Agreement and to commit the assets to Meeder's management and supervision; (ii) that the person signing this Agreement on behalf of Client is authorized and empowered to establish accounts and commit the assets to Meeder's management and supervision on the entity's behalf; (iii) Client has received Meeder's current Form ADV, Part 2A and B; and (iv) Client has received a copy of Meeder's Privacy Policy.

17. **Term.** This Agreement may be terminated by either party for any or no reason upon delivery by first class U.S. mail, postage prepaid, or delivery by hand, of a written "Notice of Termination" to the other party at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of the intended early termination of this Agreement. Termination of this Agreement will not affect the status, obligations or liabilities of the parties to this Agreement that arose prior to such termination.

18. **Limitation of Liability.** Except for negligence, malfeasance or violation of applicable law, neither Meeder nor its officers, directors or employees shall be liable to Client for any action performed, or omitted to be performed, or for any errors of judgment in managing the Account. Nor shall Meeder be liable to Client for any act or failure to

act by any other third party. The federal securities laws impose liabilities under certain circumstances on persons even when they act in good faith. Therefore, nothing in this Agreement shall in any way constitute a waiver or limitation of any rights that Client may have under any federal or state securities laws.

19. **Assignment.** This Agreement may not be assigned by either party without the consent of the other party. Meeder will provide Client at least thirty (30) days prior written notice of any proposed assignment, and Client's consent will be presumed unless Client notifies Meeder otherwise in writing prior to the date of the assignment indicated on the notice.

20. **Amendment.** This Agreement may be amended by Meeder with thirty (30) days prior written notice to Client and may be amended immediately upon notice to the extent reasonably required to satisfy federal or state regulatory requirements.

21. **Governing Law.** This Agreement will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Ohio without giving effect to any conflict or choice of law provisions of that State.

22. **Severability.** If any provision of this Agreement is or should become inconsistent with any law or rule of any governmental or regulatory body having jurisdiction over the subject matter of this Agreement, the provision will be deemed to be rescinded or modified in accordance with any such law or rule. In all other respects, this Agreement will continue and remain in full force and effect.

23. **Affiliates.** To the extent necessary to carry out the terms of this Agreement, any named affiliate of Meeder shall be deemed to be a party to the Agreement for that purpose.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized officers or agents to become effective as of the day and year first written above.

MEEDER PUBLIC FUNDS, Inc.

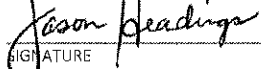
FORT BEND COUNTY

Jason Headings

BY

Sr. Vice President

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**MEEDER**  
PUBLIC FUNDS

# Meeder Public Funds

## Schedule of Fees

As of January 2020

This schedule sets forth the standard annual investment advisory fee applicable to the Account under this Agreement. The schedule is tiered and each tier of assets under management will be assessed at the rate set forth in the schedule.

Discretionary Accounts	
Assets Under Management	Annual Advisory Fee
Up to \$100,000,000	0.05%
\$100,000,000 - \$250,000,000	0.04%
Over \$250,000,000	0.03%

Investment advisory fees are subject to minimum fee of \$10,000 per year. Fees are calculated and billed monthly in arrears based on the value of the securities, cash and other assets in the account at the end of the billing period. Unless otherwise agreed, fees are deducted directly from the Account. For clients who utilize Meeder's Preferred Custodian, fees may be credited an amount equal to the custodial fee up to a maximum annual credit of 0.01%. Meeder reserves the right to discontinue credits for custodial fees charged by the Preferred Custodian at any time and upon 30 days' notice in writing of the change to Client.



Please return the following: • Signed application • Copy of formation document (i.e., Inc. = articles of incorporation, non-profit = Form 990)  
• Signed fee schedule • Transfer authorization form (if applicable)

Return to: ria.newaccounts@usbank.com

Please complete every section.

### Account Owner Information

Entity Name Fort Bend County  
 Account title (If different than name above)   
 Address (Cannot be a PO Box) 309 S Fourth, St 514 Designated Agent (Advisor Name) Meeder Investment Management  
 City, State, Zip Richmond, TX 77406  
 Tax I.D.  NAICS Code: 921110  
 Phone number (required): +1 281-341-3750 www.census.gov/eos/www/naics  
(To be used for disbursement authorization, see agreement section)

Are there other DBA or trade names used for the same legal entity? ☐ YES ☒ NO

If YES, please provide names:

### Check appropriate box for federal tax classification:

☐ Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC ☐ C Corporation ☐ S Corporation ☐ Partnership  
☐ Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=Partnership)  
☒ Other (see instructions) Government

3 Exempt payee code (if any)  
(see bottom of page 3 for code listing)

### What is the ownership structure of the entity?

☒ Majority Owned by Government (Provide website address): https://www.fortbendcountytexas.gov/  
☐ Federally or State Regulated Domestic Financial Institution (Provide regulator):   
☐ Publicly Traded on a Domestic Exchange (Provide Ticker Symbol):

1. Customer is a U.S. Citizen, U.S. Resident Alien or an entity principally registered in the U.S.: ☒ YES ☐ NO

If NO, please submit a W-8 BEN and state the Customer's country of residence or principal registration:   
(Note: If no is marked and a W-8 is provided the IRS section on pg. 4 does not apply)

2. Is the entity headquartered outside the United States? ☐ YES ☒ NO If YES, what country is it located in:

3. Are there physical locations or business addresses for the entity outside the U.S. ☐ YES ☒ NO

If YES, list addresses:

### Customer Background and Anticipated Activity

Information in this section is required to establish a baseline for account background and anticipated activity. This information is used primarily to detect suspicious activity. Your account activity is not bound to estimates provided.

1. Primary function of the Entity. (Provide specific information about the entity's business activities).

**Government**

2. Purpose of the account. (Please provide the reason the Customer is establishing the custody account).

Hold Client Assets

3. Entity's annual revenue. (\$) 25million

4. Entity's primary source of revenue. tax receipts

## Customer Background and Anticipated Activity (cont.)

5. Entity's source of funds for initial and future funding (if any) (Check all that apply):

- ☐ Group savings and/or investments ☐ Earnings from profession or business ☐ Sale of business ☐ Insurance proceeds  
☐ Charitable donation or gifts ☐ Corporate assets or investments ☒ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

6. From where will **initial funding** for this account originate (Answer all that apply):

- ☐ Domestic predecessor bank trustee or custodian: name of institution \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Domestic predecessor broker/dealer custodian: name of institution \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Foreign predecessor bank or broker/dealer: name of institution \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Additional Investors \_\_\_\_\_  
☒ Initial funding - no existing assets held elsewhere  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

7. From where will **ongoing funding** for this account originate (Answer all that apply):

- ☐ Domestic predecessor bank trustee or custodian: name of institution \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Domestic predecessor broker/dealer custodian: name of institution \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Foreign predecessor bank or broker/dealer: name of institution \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Additional Investors \_\_\_\_\_  
☒ Other \_\_\_\_\_

8. Method of initial and ongoing funding for this account to be transmitted by (Check all that apply):

- ☒ Wire transfer ☐ Transfer from existing U.S. Bank Account ☐ Check(s) ☐ In-kind transfer from predecessor custodian or trustee  
☐ Foreign wire transfer ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

9. Transactions

- a) Anticipated number of cash transactions in and out of the account, per year: ☒ 0-10 ☐ 11-50 ☐ 51-100 ☐ 100 +  
b) Anticipated dollar range of cash transactions: ☐ \$0-\$5,000 ☐ \$5,001- \$10,000 ☐ \$10,001- \$20,000 ☐ \$20,001- \$50,000  
☐ \$50,001- \$100,000 ☒ \$100,001- \$500,000 ☐ \$500,001+  
c) Method of disbursements. Check all that apply. ☒ Wire ☐ Check ☒ ACH ☐ Transfer to another U.S. Bank account  
d) Will any disbursements be sent outside the United States? ☐ YES ☒ NO  
If YES, please list countries: \_\_\_\_\_

10. Trading

- a) Anticipated number of trades in and out of the account, per year: ☐ 0-10 ☒ 11-50 ☐ 51-100 ☐ 100 +  
b) Anticipated dollar range of trade transactions: ☐ \$0-\$5,000 ☐ \$5,001- \$10,000 ☐ \$10,001- \$20,000 ☐ \$20,001- \$50,000  
☐ \$50,001- \$100,000 ☒ \$100,001- \$500,000 ☐ \$500,001+

## Tax Lot Methods

For the purpose of complying with Internal Revenue Service regulations requiring cost basis reporting, please select the tax lot selection method for the Account. Bank recommends that Customer consult with Customer's tax advisor if Customer is unsure of the option that is best for them.

- ☐ **Minimize Gain** - Shares are sold from tax lots having the highest per unit federal tax cost with a holding period of more than one year.  
☒ **First In First Out ("FIFO")** - Shares are sold from tax lots having the earliest federal tax acquisition date.  
☐ **Last In First Out ("LIFO")** - Shares are sold from tax lots having the most recent federal tax acquisition date.  
☐ **Highest Federal Cost First Out ("HIFO")** - Shares are sold from tax lots having the highest federal tax cost per share.  
☐ **Lowest Federal Cost First Out ("LOFO")** - Shares are sold from tax lots having the lowest federal tax cost per share.  
☐ **Specify Tax Lot** - Shares are sold from tax lots that you specify.  
☐ **Average Federal Tax Cost** - Shares are sold across all tax lots using the average cost. If the Account holds investments for which this method is not permitted, the FIFO default method will be used, unless Bank is directed otherwise.  
☐ **Maximize Gain** - Shares are sold from tax lots having the lowest per unit federal tax cost.

If Customer does not specify a particular tax lot or method above, Customer acknowledges that the FIFO method will be used. If Customer wishes to use a tax lot selection method that is different from what is selected above, on an individual investment or transaction basis, Customer may make that selection when executing the trade.

## Shareholder Communications Act Election

Under the Shareholder Communications Act of 1985, as amended, Bank must try to permit direct communications between a company that issues a security held in the Account (the "Securities-Issuer") and any person who has or shared the power to vote, or the power to direct the voting of, that security (the "Voter"). Unless the Voter registers its objection with Bank, Bank must disclose the Voter's name, address, and securities positions held in the Account to the Securities-Issuer upon the Securities-Issuer's request ("Disclosure").

**To the extent that Customer is the Voter, Customer hereby (i) acknowledges that failing to check one and only one line below will cause Customer to be deemed to have consented to Disclosure, and (ii) registers their:**

☒ Consent to Disclosure      ☐ Objection to Disclosure

## Sweep Designation

To the extent Bank has received no investment direction for cash, commonly referred to as uninvested cash, Bank will use such Assets to purchase the following (*check only one*):

☒ First American Government Obligations Fund      Class Z

☐ Other (Consult with Designated Agent to see what options may be available)

For terms, conditions, and disclosures relating to the end-of-day cash sweep options above, see the Agreement below.

If the foregoing does not designate one and only one sweep investment option (or there is (a) incomplete information in "Other", or (b) a sweep designation that the Designated Agent and Bank have not established as an option for your Account) then Customer is deemed to have designated the U.S. Bank Liquidity Plus sweep. The Designated Agent can change the sweep designation at any time by providing such direction to Bank. Changes to sweep designations may result in changes to account fees; consult the Fee Schedule and the Designated Agent for further information.

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### The following codes identify payees that are exempt from backup withholding:

- 1 – An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2)
- 2 – The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities
- 3 – A state, the District of Columbia, a possession of the United States, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities
- 4 – A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities
- 5 – A corporation
- 6 – A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a possession of the United States
- 7 – A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission
- 8 – A real estate investment trust
- 9 – An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940
- 10 – A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a)
- 11 – A financial institution
- 12 – A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian
- 13 – A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947

## Statements and Online Access

U.S. Bank offers online access to your account. Please provide the following information for those who require online access.

Bank will furnish each Statement Recipient with (i) an Account statement with the frequency designated below (or as subsequently agreed upon by Bank and Customer) within thirty (30) calendar days after the end of the reporting period and (ii) a final Account statement within thirty (30) calendar days after Bank has transferred all Assets from the Account as provided under this Agreement. Such Account statements will reflect Asset transactions during the reporting period and ending Asset holdings. To the extent Customer has established an account in Bank's on-line portal and granted access thereunder to Statement Recipients, Bank will furnish such Account statements by way of such system. If no frequency is so designated or agreed upon, Customer shall be deemed to have designated "Monthly". If Annually is the only frequency selected, client will also receive Quarterly statements.

Name	<input type="text" value="Pamela Gubbels"/>	Phone Number	<input type="text" value="281-344-3938"/>
Address	<input type="text" value="309 S Fourth, Suite 601"/>	City, State Zip	<input type="text" value="Richmond, TX 77469"/>
Email	<input type="text" value="pamela.gubbels@fortbendcountytexas.gov"/>	Existing PIVOT ID	<input type="text"/>

Statement Frequency: ☒ Monthly ☐ Quarterly ☐ Annually    Delivery Method: ☐ Print ☐ Online ☒ Print and Online

Name	<input type="text" value="Bill Rickert"/>	Phone Number	<input type="text" value="281-341-3764"/>
Address	<input type="text" value="309 S Fourth, St 514"/>	City, State Zip	<input type="text" value="Richmond, TX 77469"/>
Email	<input type="text" value="bill.rickert@fortbendcountytexas.gov"/>	Existing PIVOT ID	<input type="text"/>

Statement Frequency: ☒ Monthly ☐ Quarterly ☐ Annually    Delivery Method: ☐ Print ☐ Online ☒ Print and Online

Name	<input type="text" value="Ed Sturdivant"/>	Phone Number	<input type="text" value="281-341-3769"/>
Address	<input type="text" value="309 S Fourth, St 701"/>	City, State Zip	<input type="text" value="Richmond, TX 77469"/>
Email	<input type="text" value="ed.sturdivant@fortbendcountytexas.gov"/>	Existing PIVOT ID	<input type="text"/>

Statement Frequency: ☐ Monthly ☐ Quarterly ☐ Annually    Delivery Method: ☐ Print ☐ Online ☐ Print and Online

## Authorized Signers

Authorized Individuals – Pursuant to Section 11 of the Custody Agreement, Customer hereby authorizes the following individuals to act on Customer's behalf.

Name/Title	<input type="text" value="Pamela Gubbels, Director of Finance and Investments"/>	Signature	<input type="text"/>
Name/Title	<input type="text" value="Bill Rickert, County Treasurer"/>	Signature	<input type="text"/>
Name/Title	<input type="text" value="Ed Sturdivant, County Auditor"/>	Signature	<input type="text"/>
Name/Title	<input type="text"/>	Signature	<input type="text"/>

## Agreement and Signature

By signing this Application, I hereby:

- acknowledge receipt of a copy of this Application, and the Custody Agreement
- acknowledge that the Custody Agreement is incorporated herein by reference
- agree to the terms and conditions of this application and Custody Agreement
- acknowledge that Non-deposit investment products are not insured by the FDIC, are not deposits or other obligations of or guaranteed by U.S. Bank National Association or its affiliates, and involve investment risks, including possible loss of the principal amount invested
- agree to disclose to Bank if Customer is or becomes a "senior political figure, immediate family member or close associate of a senior political figure" (as defined below), during the duration of the Custody Agreement.

A "senior political figure" is a domestic or foreign senior official in the executive, legislative, administrative, military or judicial branches of a government (whether elected or not), a senior official of a major political party, or a senior executive of a government-owned corporation. In addition, a senior political figure includes any corporation, business, or other entity that has been formed by, or for the benefit of, a senior political figure.

- "Immediate family" of a domestic or foreign senior political figure typically includes the figure's parents, siblings, spouse, children, and in-laws.
- A "close associate" of a domestic or foreign senior political figure is a person who is widely and publicly known to maintain an unusually close relationship with the senior political figure and includes a person who is in a position to conduct domestic and international financial transactions on behalf of the senior political figure.

## The Internal Revenue Service does not require your consent to any provision of this document other than the certifications required to avoid backup withholding.

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
- I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
- I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person; and
- The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct. Certification Instructions.

You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN.

Signer's Name (please print)	<input type="text" value="Pamela Gubbels"/>	Signature	<input type="text"/>
Title (please print)	<input type="text" value="Director of Finance and Investments"/>	Date	<input type="text"/>

## To Be Completed By U.S. Bank

Signer's Name (please print)	<input type="text"/>	Signature	<input type="text"/>
Title (please print)	<input type="text"/>	Date	<input type="text"/>



## Custody Agreement- CIP Exempt

This Custody Agreement (the "Agreement") is between the entity appearing as Customer on the Application above (the "Customer"), and U.S. Bank National Association, a national banking association organized under the laws of the United States with offices in Minneapolis, Minnesota ("Bank").

The parties hereby agree as follows:

### SECTION 1: DEFINITIONS

- 1.1 "Account" means (i) the custody account established in the name of Customer and maintained under this Agreement for the Assets (as defined below) and (ii) where the context requires, one or more Sub-accounts (as defined below).
- 1.2 "Accounting Standards" means Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 820, Fair Value Measurement, or Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Codification Statement No. 72, *Fair Value Measurement and Application*.
- 1.3 "Assets" means the securities, cash, and other property Customer deposits, or causes to be deposited, from time to time under this Agreement; investments and reinvestments thereof; and income thereon, as provided herein.
- 1.4 "Cash-flow Analysis" means a periodic written analysis of Customer's cash-flow history, short-term financial needs, long-term financial needs, expected levels and timing of deposits, expected levels and timing of distributions, liquidity needs (including but not limited to the anticipated liquidity required to make distributions), ability to provide future funding, and other significant information which could affect cash-flow or the exercise of discretion to manage the Assets.
- 1.5 "CFR" means the Code of Federal Regulations.
- 1.6 "Client-controlled Asset" means an asset that is neither registered in the name of Bank or Bank's nominee nor maintained by Bank at a Depository (as defined below) or with a sub-custodian nor held by Bank in unregistered or bearer form or in such form as will pass title by delivery.
- 1.7 "Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
- 1.8 "Depository" means any central securities depository (such as the DTC), international central securities depository (such as Euroclear Bank SA/NV), or Federal Reserve Bank.
- 1.9 "DTC" means the Depository Trust Company.
- 1.10 "ERISA" means the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended.
- 1.11 "Guidelines" means the written investment objectives, policies, strategies, and restrictions for the Account (or for any Sub-accounts therein), including but not limited to proxy-voting guidelines, as amended from time to time.
- 1.12 "Harm" means claims, costs, damages, delayed payment or non-payment on Assets sold, expenses (including attorneys' and other professional fees), fines, interest, liabilities, losses, penalties, stockholders' assessments (asserted on account of asset registration), and taxes.
- 1.13 "Indemnified Person" means Bank and its affiliates, and their officers, directors, employees, agents, successors, and assigns.
- 1.14 "Investment Advice" means a recommendation, or a suggestion to engage in or refrain from taking a particular course of action, as to (i) the advisability of acquiring, holding, disposing of, or exchanging any Asset or any securities or other investment property or (ii) the Guidelines, the Cash-flow Analysis, the composition of the Account's portfolio, or the selection of persons to provide investment advice or investment management services with respect to the Assets.
- 1.15 "Investment Company Act" means the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.
- 1.16 "IRS" means the Internal Revenue Service.
- 1.17 "Legal Action" means any freeze order, garnishment, levy, restraining order, search warrant, subpoena, writ of attachment or execution, or similar order relating to the Account.
- 1.18 "Messaging System" means any financial-messaging system, network, or service acceptable to Bank, such as the Society for Worldwide Interbank Financial Telecommunication messaging system.
- 1.19 "Plan-assets Vehicle" means an investment contract, product, or entity that holds plan assets (as determined pursuant to ERISA Sections 3(42) and 401 and 29 CFR Section 2510.3-101).
- 1.20 "SEC" means the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.
- 1.21 "State" means the State of Texas.
- 1.22 "Statement Recipient" means Customer and anyone else Customer so designates.
- 1.23 "Sub-account" means a separate portion of the Account.

## SECTION 2: APPOINTMENT AND ACCEPTANCE

- 2.1 Customer appoints Bank to provide custody services in connection with the Assets. Bank hereby agrees to hold the Assets in the Account, upon the terms and conditions set forth below.
- 2.2 Establishment of Account.
- 2.2.1 Customer hereby deposits Assets, or causes Assets to be deposited, with Bank.
- 2.2.2 Customer hereby represents, warrants, and covenants as follows, and Bank may resign immediately if Customer breaches of any such representation, warranty, or covenant:
- 2.2.2.1 Customer holds good and valid legal title to all Assets.
- 2.2.2.2 None of the Assets is (i) an asset of any "plan" as defined in ERISA Section 3(3); any "plan" as defined in Code Section 4975(e)(1); any Plan-assets Vehicle; or any plan or entity not otherwise within the foregoing definitions that is subject to similar restrictions under federal, state, or local law; (ii) subject to SEC Rule 15c3-3; U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission Rules 1.20, 22.5, or 30.7; or any similar rule or regulation; or (iii) subject to a public-deposits, public-funds, or other State law that would require Bank to set aside any direct government obligations, government-guaranteed obligations, surety bonds, letters of credit, or other assets as security, regardless of the type or amount of capital of Bank, the amount of public deposits held by Bank, or the extent to which the Assets are not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or exceed federal deposit insurance limits.
- 2.2.2.3 Customer is neither (i) an "investment company" that is subject to registration with the SEC under the Investment Company Act, (ii) an "investment company" that is not subject to such registration pursuant to Section 3(c) thereof, (iii) an insurer, nor (iv) a reinsurer.
- 2.2.3 As directed by Customer, Bank will establish one (1) or more Sub-accounts and allocate Assets among Sub-accounts. Customer hereby covenants not to direct Bank to establish any Sub-account for the benefit of any entity having a different tax identification number than Customer and acknowledges that each Sub-Account will have the same tax identification number as Customer.
- 2.2.4 Bank will keep the Assets (other than deposits at Bank) separate and apart from the assets of Bank. As custodian, Bank will act as a "bailee" of the Assets. As such, the Assets will be segregated (other than deposits at Bank) on Bank's books from Bank's own assets and the assets of Bank's other customers. The Assets (other than deposits at Bank) will not be subject to the creditors of Bank. U.S. dollar denominated deposits credited to the Account are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC"), subject to applicable limits. For questions about FDIC insurance coverage, Customer may call the FDIC at 877-275-3342 or visit the FDIC's web site at [www.fdic.gov](http://www.fdic.gov).

## SECTION 3: BOOKS, RECORDS, AND ACCOUNTS

- 3.1 Bank shall maintain proper books of account and complete records of Assets and transactions in the Account.
- 3.2 On at least five business days advance written notice, Bank shall permit Customer and Customer's independent auditors to inspect during Bank's regular business hours any books of account and records of Assets and transactions in the Account.

## SECTION 4: ASSET DELIVERY, TRANSFER, CUSTODY, AND SAFEKEEPING

- 4.1 Customer may from time to time deliver, or cause to be delivered, Assets to Bank. Bank shall receive and accept such Assets for the Account upon directions from Customer.
- 4.2 Customer has designated the frequency of Account statements in the Application.
- 4.3 Except to the extent that Customer and Bank have entered into a separate written agreement that expressly makes Bank an investment manager of the Assets, the Account statements described above (including their timing and form) serve as the sole written notification of any securities transactions effected by Bank for the Account. Even so, Customer has the right to demand that Bank provide written notification of such transactions pursuant to 12 CFR Sections 12.4(a) or (b) at no additional cost to Customer.
- 4.4 Bank shall forward to any person authorized under this Agreement to direct the purchase or sale of an Asset information Bank receives with respect to the Asset concerning voluntary corporate actions (such as proxies, redemptions, or tender offers) and mandatory corporate actions (such as class actions, mergers, stock dividends, or stock splits).
- 4.4.1 Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, Bank will, after providing reasonable notice, (i) cause Assets to participate in any mandatory exchange transaction that neither requires nor permits approval by the owner of the Assets and (ii) file any proof of claim received by Bank during the term of this Agreement regarding class-action litigation over a security held in the Account during the class-action period, regardless of any waiver, release, discharge, satisfaction, or other condition that might result from such a filing.
- 4.5 Upon receipt of directions from Customer, Bank shall return Assets to Customer, or deliver Assets to such location or third party as such directions may indicate, provided that in connection therewith it is the sole responsibility of Customer to provide any transfer documentation as may be required by the applicable Depository or third party recipient. Bank shall have no power or authority to assign, hypothecate, pledge or otherwise dispose of any Assets, except as provided herein or pursuant to such directions.

## **SECTION 5: POWERS OF BANK**

In the performance of its duties under this Agreement, Bank shall have the power to:

- 5.1 Make, execute, acknowledge, and deliver any and all documents of transfer and conveyance and any or all other instruments that may be necessary or appropriate to the proper discharge of its duties under this Agreement.
- 5.2 Hire service providers (including, but not limited to, attorneys, depositories, and sub-custodians) to assist Bank in exercising Bank's powers under this Agreement, including any service provider that is affiliated with Bank.
- 5.3 Perform other acts necessary to the proper discharge of its duties under this Agreement.
- 5.4 Hold Assets un-invested pending cash investment, distribution, resolution of a dispute, or for other operational reasons and to deposit the same in an interest-bearing or noninterest-bearing deposit account of Bank, notwithstanding any sweep direction for the Account or Bank's receipt of "float" income from such un-invested cash.
- 5.5 As directed by Customer, bring, defend, or settle lawsuits involving the Account or the Assets at the sole expense of the Account.
- 5.6 Withhold delivery or distribution of Assets that are the subject of a dispute pending final adjudication of the dispute by a court of competent jurisdiction.
- 5.7 Distribute Assets as set forth herein.
- 5.8 Safe-keep Assets as set forth herein.
- 5.9 Register any Asset in the name of Bank or Bank's nominee or to hold any Asset in unregistered or bearer form or in such form as will pass title by delivery, provided that Bank's records at all times show that all such assets are part of the Account.
- 5.10 Maintain Assets that are (i) book-entry securities at any Depository or with any sub-custodian and to permit such Assets to be registered in the name of Bank, Bank's nominee, the Depository, the Depository's nominee, the sub-custodian, or the sub-custodian's nominee and (ii) physical securities at Bank's office in the United States and in a safe place.
- 5.11 Collect all income, principal, and other distributions due and payable on Assets. If Customer directs Bank to search the DTC's Legal Notice System for notice that a particular Asset is in default or has refused payment after due demand, then Bank will conduct such a search and notify Customer of any such notice Bank finds therein.
- 5.12 Exchange foreign currency into and out of United States dollars through customary channels, including Bank's foreign exchange department.
- 5.13 Pledge the Account or any Asset as provided in any separate written control agreement among Customer, Bank, and any secured party identified therein.
- 5.14 Advance funds or securities in furtherance of settling securities transactions and other financial-market transactions under this Agreement.

## **SECTION 6: PURCHASES**

- 6.1 Upon the receipt of directions from Customer, Bank shall settle Customer's purchases of securities on a contractual settlement basis or the purposes of §9-206 of the Uniform Commercial Code, Customer acknowledges that its legal obligation to pay the purchase price to Bank for such purchases arises immediately at the time of the purchase. Customer hereby covenants and agrees that (i) it shall not instruct Bank to sell any Asset until such Asset has been fully paid for by Customer, and (ii) Customer shall not engage in any practice whereby Customer relies on the proceeds from the sale of an Asset to pay for the earlier purchase of the same Asset.

## **SECTION 7: SALES**

- 7.1 Upon receipt of directions from Customer, Bank will deliver Assets held by it as Bank under this Agreement and sold by or for Customer against payment to Bank of the amount specified in such directions in accordance with the then current securities industry practices and in form satisfactory to Bank. Customer acknowledges that the current securities industry practice for physical securities is for physical delivery of such securities against later payment on delivery date. Bank agrees to use commercially reasonable efforts to obtain payment therefor during the same business day, but Customer confirms its sole assumption of all risks of payment for such deliveries. Bank assumes no responsibility for the risks of collectability of checks received for the Account.

## **SECTION 8: SETTLEMENTS**

- 8.1 Bank shall provide Customer with settlement of all purchases and sales of Assets in accordance with Bank's instruction-deadline schedule provided that Bank has all the information necessary and the Account has all the Assets necessary to complete the transaction.

8.2 To avoid a deficiency in the Account, if the Account does not have sufficient funds to pay for an Asset, Customer covenants and agrees that (i) it shall not initiate any trade without sufficient Assets to settle such trade, and (ii) Customer shall not notify any third party that Bank will settle the purchase of an Asset. Customer covenants and agrees that it will not allow or direct anyone else to act contrary to (i) and (ii) above.

8.3 Bank shall not be liable or responsible for or on account of any act, omission, default, or insolvency of any broker, bank, trust company, person, or other agent designated by Customer to purchase or sell securities for the Account.

## **SECTION 9: VALUATION; CLIENT-CONTROLLED ASSETS**

9.1 For purposes of reporting the value of an Asset on an Account statement:

9.1.1 Bank will report a value that is (i) provided to Bank by a third-party pricing vendor or (ii) readily determinable on an established market, if such value is available to Bank when preparing the statement.

9.1.2 If such value is unavailable, Customer will, upon Bank's request, direct Bank as to the value; Bank will then report such value. Absent such a direction, Bank will report the most recent value that Bank received from the Asset's broker, fund accountant, general partner, issuer, investment manager, transfer agent, or other service provider (commonly known as a pass-through price).

9.1.2.1 To the extent the value of an Asset is so reported, Customer hereby represents and warrants as follows: (i) Customer received, read, and understood any governing documents (such as a limited liability company agreement, limited partnership agreement, trust agreement, or declaration of trust), offering documents (such as a fact sheet, offering circular, offering memorandum, private placement memorandum, prospectus, or summary description), and subscription documents (such as an adoption agreement or subscription agreement) for the Asset; understands the Asset's eligibility requirements, fees and expenses, transfer and withdrawal limitations, type, category, issuer, objectives, principal strategies and risks, current underlying investments, and the identity of the Asset's administrator, investment advisor, auditor, and other service providers (and any affiliations among them) and the services they provide, respectively, to the Asset and the compensation they receive therefor. (ii) Such value reflects such documents, investment-related information, service-provider information, and fee-and-expense information.

9.1.2.2 Customer covenants and agrees that it will under no circumstances provide Bank with a security issued by Customer or Customer's affiliates, or direct Bank to purchase a security issued by Customer or Customer's affiliates, unless the value of such security is readily determinable on an established market.

9.1.3 Customer hereby acknowledges that Bank is performing a routine, ministerial, non-discretionary valuation function; that the reported value might be neither fair market value nor fair value (under Accounting Standards or applicable law); and that the reported value is not a substitute for (i) investigating the Asset's value in connection with a decision to acquire, hold, dispose of, or exchange any securities or other investment property; (ii) obtaining and ensuring the reliability of an independent third-party appraisal with respect to such a decision; or (iii) obtaining InvestmentAdvice.

9.1.4 Upon Customer's request, Bank will provide Customer with information about Bank's pricing sources and methodologies.

9.2 Customer may direct Bank from time to time to include in the Account statements specific Client-controlled Assets that are registered in the name of Customer. In such a case, Bank has the right to exclude such assets from the Account statements or to include them with a notation about control. To the extent Bank includes them, Customer hereby acknowledges that:

9.2.1 Customer is responsible for reviewing (i) the Account statements to ensure that they include notations about the control of each such asset and (ii) any third-party reports made accessible by Bank to ensure that they do not inaccurately identify the holder of any such assets.

9.2.2 Bank is not responsible for performing any duties under this Agreement (other than statement-reporting duties, as limited herein) with respect to such assets, and Customer assumes all such duties.

9.2.3 When furnishing Account statements or making third-party reports accessible, Bank may rely on information provided by Customer or by Customer's agents, affiliates, or representatives with respect to such assets (including, but not limited to, information on the units, value, or marketability of such assets) without questioning the information. To that end, Customer will cause each holder of such assets to provide Bank with a copy of such holder's periodic Customer account statements with respect to such assets.

9.2.4 Such assets are subject to the Fee Schedule between Customer and Bank.

## **SECTION 10: LIMITATIONS ON DUTIES**

10.1 Customer hereby acknowledges that Bank does not provide any services under this Agreement (i) in a "fiduciary capacity" within the meaning of 12 CFR Section 9.2(e) or (ii) as a "fiduciary" as such term may be defined in State law or otherwise.

- 10.2 The duties of Bank will be strictly limited to those set forth in this Agreement, and no implied covenants, duties, responsibilities, representations, warranties, or obligations shall be read into this Agreement against Bank. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Bank shall have no duty to:
- 10.2.1 Evaluate or to advise anyone of the prudence, suitability, or propriety of action or proposed action of Customer in any particular transaction involving an Asset or the suitability or propriety of retaining any particular investment as an Asset; review, question, approve, or make inquiries as to any investment directions received under this Agreement; or review the securities or other property held in the Account with respect to prudence or diversification.
  - 10.2.2 Act as trustee of the Assets.
  - 10.2.3 Act as custodian of any assets other than the Assets.
  - 10.2.4 Act as investment manager of the Assets, except to the extent the Assets are subject to Bank's discretion to manage under a separate written investment-management agreement (if any).
  - 10.2.5 Provide Investment Advice.
  - 10.2.6 Determine, monitor, or collect any contributions to the Account or monitor compliance with any applicable funding requirements.
  - 10.2.7 Inspect, review, or examine any Client-controlled Asset or governing, offering, subscription, or similar document with respect thereto, to determine whether the asset or document is authentic, genuine, enforceable, properly signed, appropriate for the represented purpose, is what it purports to be on its face, or for any other purpose, or to execute such document, regardless of whether Bank has physical possession of such asset or document.
  - 10.2.8 (i) Collect any income, principal, or other distribution due and payable on an Asset if the Asset is in default or if payment is refused after due demand or (ii) except as expressly provided herein, to notify Customer in the event of such default or refusal.
  - 10.2.9 Provide notice of, or forward, mini-tenders (which are tender offers for less than 5% of an outstanding equity or debt issue) for any equity issue or, if any of the following is true, for any debt issue: The debt is not registered with the SEC. The debt issue has a "first received, first buy" basis with no withdrawal privilege and includes a guarantee of delivery clause. Or the tender offer includes the statement that "the purchase price includes all accrued interest on the note and has been determined in the sole discretion of the buyer and may be more than or less than the fair market value of the notes" or similar language.
  - 10.2.10 Question whether any direction received under this Agreement is prudent or contrary to applicable law; to solicit or confirm directions; or to question whether any direction received under this Agreement by email or Messaging System, or entered into Customer's account in Bank's on-line portal, is unreliable or has been compromised, such as by identity theft.
  - 10.2.11 Calculate, withhold, prepare, sign, disclose, file, report, remit, or furnish to any taxing authority or any taxpayer any federal, state, or local taxes, tax returns, or information returns that may be required to be calculated, withheld, prepared, signed, disclosed, filed, reported, remitted, or furnished with respect to the Assets or the Account, except to the extent such duties are required by law to be performed only by Bank in its capacity as custodian under this Agreement or are expressly set forth herein.
  - 10.2.12 Monitor agents hired by Customer.
  - 10.2.13 Maintain or defend any legal proceeding in the absence of indemnification, against all expenses and liabilities which it may sustain by reason thereof.
  - 10.2.14 Advance funds or securities or otherwise expend or risk its own funds or incur its own liability in the exercise of its powers or rights or performance of its duties under this Agreement.

## **SECTION 11: AUTHORIZED PERSONS; DELIVERY OF DIRECTIONS**

- 11.1. Customer has identified the "Designated Agent", who is authorized to act on Customer's behalf, on the Application. Customer has also identified each employee of Customer who is authorized to act on Customer's behalf, by providing such information on the Application. After the execution of this Agreement, Customer may add employees who are authorized to act on Customer's behalf by notifying Bank of the identity thereof on a form provided by Bank. Customer shall provide to bank in writing any limits on the Designated Agent's authority or any additional agent's authority to act on Customer's behalf hereunder. Absent any such limits to the contrary, the Designated Agent and any additional agent is authorized to exercise any right and fulfill any duty of Customer hereunder, including, but not limited to, any authority to direct Bank. Customer consents to Bank providing any agent access to customer account information and other confidential information relating to Customer upon such agent's request. For the avoidance of doubt, any agent shall have the right to self-impose more restrictive limitations on their authority than what Customer has authorized, for regulatory purposes or otherwise, by providing such additional self-imposed limitations to Bank in writing and Bank's written confirmation of acceptance of such limitations. In no event is any agent authorized to amend the Agreement or terminate the Agreement in his or her personal capacity.

- 11.2 In the event that the Designated Agent sends an invoice to Bank and instructs Bank to have the Account pay the invoice, Customer directs Bank to pay any such invoice as presented. Bank is hereby protected and shall incur no liability for acting on such direction and Bank shall have no duty or obligation to establish or investigate whether such invoice was limited to the payment of adviser fees (as agreed between Customer and the Designated Agent or otherwise) or for other purposes.
- 11.3 Bank may assume that any such employee or agent continues to be so authorized, until Bank receives notice to the contrary from Customer.
- 11.4. Customer hereby represents and warrants that any such employee or agent is duly appointed and is appropriately monitored and covenants that Customer will furnish such employee or agent with a copy of this Agreement, as amended from time to time, and with a copy of any communications given under this Agreement to Customer. Customer hereby acknowledges that (i) such employee's or any agent's actions or omissions are binding upon Customer as if Customer had taken such actions or made such omissions itself and (ii) Bank is indemnified, released, and held harmless accordingly from Harm directly caused to the Bank from relying on the agent's instructions, unless the Harm was caused by the Bank's willful misconduct, gross negligence, bad faith or material breach of this Agreement.
- 11.5 Any direction, notice, or other communication provided for in this Agreement will be given in writing and (i) unless the recipient has timely delivered a superseding address under this Agreement, addressed as provided under this Agreement, (ii) entered into Customer's account in Bank's on-line portal, or (iii) sent to Bank by Messaging System.
- 11.6 Any direction received under this Agreement by email or Messaging System, entered into Customer's account in Bank's on-line portal, or confirmed by phone as provided below, is deemed to be given in a writing signed by the sender. Customer hereby represents and warrants that Customer maintains commercially reasonable security measures for preventing unauthorized access to its phone designated in the Application, to its portal account; to the email accounts of its agents, and agents' employees; and to any Messaging System used by its agents, and agents' employees, and Customer hereby assumes all risk to the Account of such unauthorized access. Customer hereby acknowledges that Customer is fully informed of the protections and risks associated with the various methods of transmitting directions to Bank and that there may be more secure methods of transmitting directions than the methods selected by Customer and Customer's agents.
- 11.7 In the event that the Designated Agent directs Bank to send data elements listed under the U.S. Bank Information Security Policy as U.S. Bank Customer Confidential Data Elements and other regulatory protected data (collectively, "Protected Data") using something other than Bank's own secure encryption transmission mechanism ("Bank Encryption"), Customer agrees that (a) Bank has no responsibility or liability for questioning, evaluating, or monitoring any vendor, software, or process utilized by the Designated Agent to send Protected Data, (b) any substitute for Bank Encryption that the Designated Agent directs Bank to use is deemed to be at least as protective as Bank Encryption regardless of the vendor, service, or process used, and (c) Bank is fully released, held harmless, and indemnified by Customer in all aspects directly related to any direction from the Designated Agent to communicate information about the Account without using Bank Encryption.
- 11.8 Customer acknowledges that, in certain circumstances, Bank may need or elect to contact Customer via phone to confirm an instruction relating to the Account. In such circumstances, Customer understands that Bank will use the phone number designated in the Application and Customer expressly authorizes the Bank to act on any confirmation or instruction provided by the individual with such telephone number. In the event that Customer wishes to add additional phone contacts who are authorized relating to the Account, Customer shall contact Bank for its then-current authorization form for such purposes. Customer understands that Bank shall not be liable for any act taken upon an oral instruction received by Bank when Bank has called such number.

#### 11.9 Delivery of Directions.

- 11.9.1 Any direction, notice, or other communication provided for in this Agreement will be given in writing and (i) unless the recipient has timely delivered a superseding address hereunder, addressed as provided hereunder, (ii) entered into Customer's account in Bank's on-line portal, or (iii) sent to Bank by SWIFT message from business identifier code (or any other business identifier code that Customer subsequently designates pursuant to this Agreement).
- 11.9.2 Any direction received under this Agreement by email or SWIFT message, or entered into Customer's account in Bank's on-line portal, is deemed to be given in a writing signed by the sender. Customer hereby represents and warrants that Customer maintains commercially reasonable security measures for preventing unauthorized access to its portal account, to the email accounts of its employees, agents, and agents' employees, and to any SWIFT messaging system used by its employees, agents, and agents' employees, and Customer hereby assumes all risk to the Account of such unauthorized access. Customer hereby acknowledges that Customer is fully informed of the protections and risks associated with the various methods of transmitting directions to Bank and that there may be more secure methods of transmitting directions than the methods selected by Customer and Customer's agents.

## SECTION 12: FEES AND EXPENSES

- 12.1 Customer shall pay Bank compensation for providing services under this Agreement as agreed between Bank and Customer. Bank may also receive compensation from certain mutual funds as outlined in the Mutual Fund Compensation Disclosure.
- 12.2 Customer shall reimburse Bank for any commercially reasonable expenses, fees, costs, and other charges incurred by Bank in providing services under this Agreement (including, but not limited to, compensation, expenses, fees, costs, and other charges payable to service providers hired under this Agreement).

- 12.3 To the extent of (i) any outstanding compensation, expenses, fees, costs, or other charges incurred by Bank in providing services under this Agreement or (ii) Customer's other indebtedness to Bank, Customer hereby grants Bank a first-priority lien and security interest in, and right of set-off against, the Assets. Bank may execute that lien and security interest, and exercise that right, at any time.
- 12.4 To the extent of any advance of funds or securities under this Agreement, Customer hereby grants Bank a first-priority lien and security interest in, and right of set-off against, the Assets. Bank may execute that lien and security interest, and exercise that right, at any time. Furthermore, nothing in this Agreement constitutes a waiver of any of Bank's rights as a securities intermediary under Uniform Commercial Code §9-206.

### **SECTION 13: INDEMNIFICATION**

- 13.1 Customer hereby indemnifies and releases each Indemnified Person and holds each Indemnified Person harmless from and against, and an Indemnified Person will incur no liability to any person or entity for, any Harm that may be imposed on, incurred by, or asserted against an Indemnified Person by reason of the Indemnified Person's action or omission in connection with this Agreement or the Account (including, but not limited to, an action or omission that is consistent with directions provided under this Agreement), except to the extent that the Harm resulted directly from the Indemnified Person's willful misconduct, gross negligence, bad faith, or material breach of this Agreement. Customer agrees to indemnify, hold harmless, and release Bank from any Claim for Harm directly caused to the Bank from (i) the action or inaction of the Designated Agent, or (ii) any action taken or omitted by Bank in reliance on any, instruction, or direction provided by the Designated Agent. The foregoing provisions shall survive the termination of this Agreement.
- 13.2 Bank shall indemnify and hold Customer and its affiliates and their officers, directors, employees, agents, successors and assigns harmless from any and all Claims arising out of or attributable to any breach of any representations or warranties of Bank hereunder.
- 13.3 No party is liable for any delay or failure in performing its obligations under this Agreement caused by wars (whether declared or not and including existing wars or the invocation of war powers), revolutions, insurrections, riots, civil commotion, acts of God, medical emergencies, outbreak of disease, pandemic or epidemic, accidents, fires, explosions; stoppages of labor, strikes, laws, regulations, orders, or other acts of any governmental authority; or any other circumstances beyond its reasonable control regardless of whether such was already in existence at the time of execution of this Agreement. Nor will any such failure or delay give any party the right to terminate this Agreement.
- 13.4 No party is liable for any indirect, incidental, special, punitive, or consequential damages arising out of or in any way related to this Agreement or the performance of its obligations under this Agreement. This limitation applies even if the party has been advised of, or is aware of, the possibility of such damages.
- 13.5 Bank is not liable with respect to the propriety of Bank's actions or omissions reflected in a statement provided under this Agreement, except to the extent (i) a Statement Recipient objects to Bank within ninety (90) calendar days after delivery of such statement or (ii) such acts or omissions could not be discovered through reasonable examination of such statement.

### **SECTION 14: CONFIDENTIALITY**

- 14.1 During the term of this Agreement and thereafter, Bank agrees to treat in a confidential manner all records and other information, whether disclosed orally or in writing, and whether kept on computer storage or any other media; provided, however, that Bank is authorized to share information regarding this Agreement and Customer with its affiliates, agents and sub-custodians in connection with the performance of services hereunder. Bank agrees not to use the information for any purpose other than the performance of its duties hereunder and not to disclose information to any third party, without the prior written consent of an authorized officer or agent of Customer. Bank may, however, disclose information with prior written notification to Customer, (unless prohibited by law or regulation) if, in the opinion of Bank's counsel it is required to make such disclosure to comply with any law or regulation.

### **SECTION 15: TERMINATION**

- 15.1 This Agreement terminates upon the effective date of Bank's resignation or removal under this Agreement.
- 15.2 Bank may resign under this Agreement by notice to Customer. Customer may remove Bank under this Agreement by notice to Bank. The resignation or removal shall be effective thirty (30) calendar days after delivery of the notice, except to the extent the parties agree in writing to a different effective date. By such effective date, Customer shall appoint a new custodian and notify Bank of the appointment. If Customer fails to do so, Bank shall have the right to petition a court at Account expense for appointment of a new custodian. Upon receiving notice of such appointment, Bank will transfer Assets to the new custodian as directed by Customer or the court, as the case may be. However, Bank shall not be required to transfer any Assets until Bank has received payment or reimbursement for all (a) compensation, expenses, fees, costs, or other charges incurred by Bank in providing services under this Agreement and (b) funds or securities advanced under this Agreement.

## SECTION 16: MISCELLANEOUS

- 16.1 Freedom to Deal with Third Parties. Bank is free to render services to others, whether similar to those services rendered under this Agreement or of a different nature.
- 16.2 Binding Obligations. Customer and Bank each represent and warrant that (i) it has the power and authority to transact the business in which it is engaged and to execute, deliver, and perform this Agreement and has taken all action necessary to execute, deliver, and perform this Agreement and (ii) this Agreement constitutes its legal, valid, and binding obligation enforceable according to the terms hereof.
- 16.3 Complete Agreement; Amendment.
- 16.3.1 Complete Agreement. This Agreement contains a complete statement of all the arrangements between the parties with respect to its subject matter and supersedes any existing agreements between them concerning the subject.
- 16.3.2 Amendment. This Agreement may be amended at any time, in whole or in part, by a written instrument signed by Customer and Bank. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the terms of the Fee Schedule between Customer and Bank set forth a method for amending such exhibit, then such terms alone govern amendments thereto.
- 16.4 Control Agreements. If Customer requests that Bank execute a "control agreement" (or similarly titled agreement) with a third-party which pledges, hypothecates, or assigns rights in the Assets to that third-party and involves obligations of Bank to that third-party (which may be affiliates of Bank or Bank's lending divisions), then the terms and requirements of such agreement concerning such Assets shall supersede and control the provisions of this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing in such Agreement shall be deemed to alter Bank's rights under Section 12.4 of this Agreement.
- 16.5 Governing Law; Venue. This Agreement will be governed, enforced, and interpreted according to the laws of the state of Ohio without regard to conflicts of laws, except where pre-empted by federal law. All legal actions or other proceedings directly or indirectly relating to this Agreement will be brought in federal court (or, if unavailable, state court) sitting in the state of Ohio. The parties submit to the jurisdiction of any such court in any such action or proceeding and waive any immunity from suit in such court or execution, attachment (whether before or after judgment), or other legal process in or by such court. To the extent that Bank or Customer may be entitled to claim, for itself or its assets, immunity from suit, execution, attachment (whether before or after judgment) or other legal process, each hereby irrevocably agrees not to claim, and hereby waives, such immunity.
- 16.6 Successors and Assigns.
- 16.6.1 This Agreement binds, and inures to the benefit of, Customer, Bank, and their respective successors and assigns.
- 16.6.2 No party may assign any of its rights under this Agreement without the consent of the other party, which consent will not be unreasonably withheld. Customer hereby acknowledges that Bank will withhold consent unless and until Bank verifies an assignee's identity according to Bank's Customer Identification Program and, to that end, Customer hereby agrees to notify Bank of such assignment and provide Bank with the assignee's name, physical address, EIN, organizational documents, certificate of good standing, and license to do business, as well as other information that Bank may request. No consent is required if a party merges with, consolidates with, or sells substantially all of its assets to another entity, provided that such other entity assumes without delay, qualification, or limitation all obligations of that party under this Agreement by operation of law or by contract.
- 16.7 Severability. The provisions of this Agreement are severable. The invalidity of a provision herein will not affect the validity of any other provision.
- 16.8 No Third-Party Beneficiaries. This Agreement is made solely for the benefit of the parties. No person other than such parties has any rights or remedies under this Agreement.
- 16.9 Solvency. Customer hereby represents and warrants that Customer is neither insolvent nor subject to any pending bankruptcy proceeding. Customer will promptly notify Bank of any such insolvency or proceeding.
- 16.10 Tax-Lot Selection Method. Customer has made its designation in the Application.
- 16.11 Shareholder Communications Act Election. Customer has made its election in the Application.
- 16.12 Abandoned Property. Bank will escheat Assets pursuant to the applicable state's abandoned property, escheat, or similar law, and Bank shall be held harmless therefrom. The provisions of this Section shall survive the termination of this Agreement.
- 16.13 Legal Advice. Customer hereby acknowledges that it (i) did not receive legal advice from Bank concerning this Agreement, (ii) had an adequate opportunity to consult an attorney of its choice before executing this Agreement, and (iii) executed this Agreement upon its own judgment and, if sought, the advice of such attorney.
- 16.14 Waiver of Jury Trial. Each party hereby irrevocably waives all right to a trial by jury in any action, proceeding, claim, or counterclaim (whether based on contract, tort, or otherwise) directly or indirectly arising out of or relating to this Agreement.

- 16.15 Legal Action. If Bank is served with a Legal Action, then Bank will, to the extent permitted by law, use commercially reasonable efforts to notify Customer of such service. If Customer notifies Bank that Customer is seeking a protective order to resist the Legal Action, then Bank will provide reasonable cooperation at Customer's request and sole cost and expense. In any event, Bank may comply with the Legal Action at any time, except to the extent Bank has received a protective order that prevents Bank from complying. Any Legal Action is subject to Bank's right of setoff and Bank's security interest in the Account. With prior notice to customer, Bank may assess a reasonable service fee against the Account for any Legal Action served on Bank regardless of whether the process is subsequently revoked, vacated, or released. Unless expressly prohibited by law, Bank will set off or enforce Bank's security interest against the Account for such fee prior to Bank's honoring the Legal Action. Bank will not be liable to Customer if an attachment, a hold, or the payment of Bank's fee from the Account leaves insufficient funds or results in the sale of Assets.
- 16.16 Interpleader. With respect to Assets that are the subject of a dispute, Bank may file an interpleader action or other petition with a court of competent jurisdiction for directions with respect to the dispute. Customer will reimburse Bank for any expenses, fees, costs, or other charges incurred by Bank in filing such petition and implementing such directions, including, but not limited to, any fees charged by an attorney, if such attorney has been approved by customer. Before disbursing Assets pursuant to such directions, Bank will deduct therefrom an amount in payment or reimbursement for all (i) compensation, expenses, fees, costs, or other charges incurred by Bank in providing services under this Agreement and (ii) funds or securities advanced under this Agreement.
- 16.17 Representations and Warranties. Customer hereby covenants that, if it has actual notice that any of the representations or warranties that it provides in this Agreement becomes inaccurate or incomplete, it will promptly notify Bank thereof and of any fact, omission, event, or change of circumstances related thereto.
- 16.18 Publicity. No party will disclose the existence of this Agreement or any terms thereof in advertising, promotional, or marketing materials without obtaining, in each case, the prior written consent of each other party.
- 16.19 Counterparts and Duplicates. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be considered an original, but all of which together shall constitute the same instrument. This Agreement and any administrative form under this Agreement may be proved either by a signed original or by a reproduced copy thereof (including, not by way of limitation, a microfiche copy or an electronic file copy).
- 16.20 Effective Date. This Agreement will become effective when all parties have signed it. The date of this Agreement will be the date this Agreement is signed by the last party to sign it (as indicated by the date associated with that party's signature).

## SECTION 17: PATRIOT ACT

- 17.1 By signing above, Customer acknowledges that they have received the following important information:
- 17.2 To help the United States fight the funding of terrorism and money laundering activities, U.S. law requires U.S. Bancorp, like other financial institutions, to obtain, verify, and record information that identifies each customer that opens an account.
- 17.3 When you open an account with us, we will ask for your legal name, address, date of birth, tax identification number, and other identifying information that will assist us with identifying you. We may also ask to see your photo identification (driver's license) or other identifying documents.

## SECTION 18: Executing Broker Referral

- 18.1 Bank has created a broker-dealer referral network with various independent broker-dealers. Pursuant to separate agreements between Bank and each broker, Bank has agreed to introduce these brokers to independent registered investment advisers whose clients have, or may have in the future, custody accounts with Bank and who may wish to engage a broker to execute trades and effect securities transactions for its clients' custody accounts. Bank will receive compensation from the relevant broker in connection with such referrals.
- 18.2 To the extent that transactions for your account are executed by a broker-dealer that participates in Bank's broker-dealer referral network, Bank will receive a referral fee from such broker as described in more detail below:
- 18.3 **Broker:** Jones Trading
- Referral fee payable to U.S. Bank:** 50% of the brokerage fees generated by transactions executed on behalf of your account.
- 18.4 Bank's introduction of independent registered investment advisers to broker is not a recommendation of such broker or its services or in any way an endorsement of such broker or its services. Bank's introduction is based solely upon the broker's agreement to pay the referral fees noted above and Bank's determination that Bank can interface with the broker to provide custody services to the independent registered investment adviser's clients.
- 18.5 Bank is not affiliated in any manner with any broker that participates in Bank's broker-dealer referral network other than the relationship created by the referral agreement between them.
- 18.6 For more information regarding the referral arrangement, a current list of broker-dealers that participate in the Bank referral network, and the compensation that Bank expects to receive therefor, please contact your Account's customer service manager.

## SECTION 19: FOREIGN ASSETS; FOREIGN CURRENCY EXCHANGE TRANSACTIONS

- 19.1 Customer hereby directs Bank to convert into U.S. Dollars any entitlement payments received by the Account with respect to foreign securities (such as corporate actions, maturities, income posting, credit interest, or tax reclamation) and execute any foreign currency exchange transactions with respect thereto through Bank's Foreign Exchange Department ("USBFX").
- 19.2 Customer hereby directs Bank to execute any foreign currency exchange transactions with respect to purchases or sales of foreign securities in the Account through USBFX, except to the extent market circumstances in certain countries require the use of a global custodian unaffiliated with Bank (an "Unaffiliated Agent")
- 19.3 Customer hereby acknowledges that Bank receives compensation when Bank executes foreign currency exchange transactions related to Account assets. Such compensation does not exceed 0.5% of the amount of the foreign currency exchange transaction.
- 19.4 Customer hereby acknowledges that an Unaffiliated Agent receives compensation when the Unaffiliated Agent executes foreign currency exchange transactions with respect to purchases or sales of foreign securities in the Account. Such compensation may be more or less than the compensation Bank would have received for executing the same foreign currency exchange transaction.
- 19.5 Customer hereby acknowledges that investments in foreign securities and foreign currency exchange transactions entail additional risks, such as default by counter-parties, currency fluctuations, political and economic instability, accounting translation adjustments, and foreign taxation. Bank has no liability for any risks relating to Customer's investments in foreign securities or foreign currency exchange transactions.
- 19.6 Customer understands that the holding of certain foreign securities or American Depositary Receipts ("ADRs") requires disclosure of Customer's personal information to vendors, sub-custodians, or local tax authorities in foreign jurisdictions to avoid tax penalties on such foreign securities or ADRs. Customer consents to any and all disclosures or releases of information by Bank (including private information about Customer, the Account, the amount of holdings) to third parties relating to foreign securities or ADRs and releases, Bank from all liability for doing so. Bank is not hereby obligated to make any such disclosure to third parties, so any failure to do so shall not constitute a breach hereunder. Customer accepts all risk and loss arising from holding foreign securities and ADRs, including tax consequences, regardless of whether Bank discloses Customer's information to third parties or not.
- 19.7 Cash held in foreign currency constitutes a direct obligation of the foreign sub-custodian or depository holding such cash and is not directly or indirectly an obligation of Bank.

## SECTION 20: AUTOMATIC INVESTMENT OF END-OF-DAY CASH

Customer's Sweep Direction has been made in the Application. The following provisions apply if the corresponding sweep investment option was selected in the Application.

### 20.1 U.S. BANK LIQUIDITY PLUS

This Section of the Agreement covers the U.S. Bank Liquidity Plus, disclosures, terms, and conditions ("**Program Terms**") in the event that the U.S. Bank Liquidity Plus Program ("**Program**") is selected as the end-of-day cash sweep option for the Account

#### 20.1.1 Introduction to the Program

The maximum amount of Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("**FDIC**") deposit insurance coverage available for funds swept under the Program is currently \$2,500,000, subject to certain exceptions and the ability to place such cash balances, as more fully explained below ("**Deposit Limit**").

The Program sweeps Customer's anticipated end-of-day cash balances in the Account up to the Deposit Limit into money market deposit accounts and transaction accounts at banks that are participating in the Program ("**Program Banks**"). The cash balances that are swept into accounts at Program Banks ("**Deposits**") are insured by the FDIC, subject to the limits described below.

To the extent Customer has cash balances in the Account that are in excess of the Deposit Limit or that are otherwise unable to be fully placed with Program Banks on a given day (for example, if funds are received after amounts are in the process of sweeping to Program Banks or if there is an inability to get funds to a Program Bank), the Program sweeps such excess cash balances into the First American Government Obligations Fund designated in the Application, above ("**Money Market Fund**"). For information about cutoff timing for transfer to Program Banks, contact Customer's account manager. Customer's cash balances that are placed into the Money Market Fund are not insured by the FDIC, but as securities, they are segregated from the assets of Bank.

Bank has appointed IntraFi Network, LLC ("**IntraFi**") to provide certain services with respect to the operation of the Program. Customer hereby appoints IntraFi as Customer's authorized agent pursuant to these Program Terms.

**CUSTOMER HEREBY INSTRUCTS BANK TO ALLOCATE THE CASH BALANCES IN THE ACCOUNT PURSUANT TO THE PROGRAM. CUSTOMER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT CUSTOMER HAS RECEIVED AND CAREFULLY READ THESE PROGRAM TERMS BEFORE ENROLLING IN THE PROGRAM.**

### 20.1.2 Account Eligibility

In order to obtain FDIC insurance on Deposits in the Program, Customer must provide proper and correct tax identification information to Bank.

There is no minimum deposit amount to participate in the Program and no minimum balance to maintain Customer's participation in the Program. There also is no minimum period that Customer's funds must remain on deposit in the Program. There is no penalty or fees for withdrawal of Customer's entire balance, or any part thereof, at anytime

### 20.1.3 Role of Bank and IntraFi

Bank is acting as Customer's agent in establishing and maintaining Program Bank accounts, including depositing or placing Customer's funds in and withdrawing Customer's funds from the Program Bank accounts and the Money Market Fund. Customer also appoints IntraFi as Customer's agent to effect deposits to and withdrawals from Program Bank accounts.

Bank uses IntraFi to allocate Customer's funds to the Program Banks and to perform certain other administrative tasks related to the Program. IntraFi is not, itself, a bank, broker-dealer, or investment adviser and does not hold any of Customer's Deposits.

### 20.1.4 Deposits with Program Banks up to the Deposit Limit

This Section contains the terms and conditions applicable to the sweep of cash balances in the Account up to the Deposit Limit into FDIC-insured Program Banks.

#### A. Deposits

Customer agrees to have cash balances up to the Deposit Limit automatically deposited into interest-bearing FDIC insured omnibus deposit accounts at the Program Banks that hold Customer's and Bank's other customers' funds, and in which Customer will hold a beneficial interest. Except as otherwise provided herein, each business day, Bank, utilizing the services of IntraFi, will deposit the cash balances in the Account up to the Deposit Limit to one or more omnibus deposit accounts maintained at the Program Banks held in the name of "U.S. Bank National Association acting as agent for customer, each acting for themselves and others" or a similar title. To accommodate for accruing interest, the initial amount swept to each Program Bank will be capped at \$249,000. Customer's ownership of Deposits will be evidenced by an entry on records maintained by Bank for each of the Program Banks at which Customer's funds are on deposit. Customer will not be issued any evidence of ownership of a Program Bank account, such as a passbook or certificate.

However, Customer's Account statement will reflect Program Bank deposit balance(s).

#### B. FDIC Deposit Insurance: Operation and Limitations

Customer's Deposits are deposited into interest-bearing omnibus deposit accounts at the Program Banks in a manner currently designed to provide Customer with up to \$2,500,000 of FDIC deposit insurance coverage, subject to certain exceptions described herein. FDIC deposit insurance coverage is normally available for Customer's Deposits up to the FDIC standard maximum deposit insurance amount ("**SMDIA**"), which is currently \$250,000 per legal category of account ownership at each participating Program Bank when aggregated with all other deposits held by Customer in the same Program Bank and in the same legal category of account ownership. Customer's coverage under the Program will be limited to the extent that Customer holds deposits directly, or through others, in the same recognized legal category of ownership at the same Program Banks as Customer holds Deposits through the Program. Thus, the maximum amount of Deposits eligible for FDIC insurance coverage would not exceed the SMDIA per legal category of account ownership multiplied by the number of participating Program Banks that Customer has not excluded from receiving Customer's Deposits under the Program, less any funds that Customer may hold in a Program Bank outside of the Program in the same legal category of account ownership.

In general, the FDIC-recognized categories of account ownership include single ownership accounts; accounts held by an agent, escrow agent, nominee, guardian, custodian, or conservator; annuity contract accounts; certain joint ownership accounts; certain revocable trust accounts; accounts of a corporation, partnership, or unincorporated association; accounts held by a depository institution as the trustee of an irrevocable trust; certain irrevocable trust accounts; certain retirement and other employee benefit plan accounts; and certain accounts held by government depositors ("**Ownership Categories**"). For the purposes of the Program, any custody accounts with the same tax ID will be grouped by types in the following categories for the purpose of determining deposit flow to Program Banks: trusts, personal (sole owner or joint owner), business/government (corporations, partnerships, LLCs, and similar types of entities), and benefit plan accounts (for example, IRA custody accounts, to the extent that Customer has completed additional documentation to enroll such accounts in the Program).

Until Customer's funds are actually received by the Program Banks, Customer's funds may be insured at Bank, or at its Settlement Agent, The Bank of New York Mellon, while they are held by such institution up to \$250,000 in total (to the extent that Customer do not have other deposits with Bank or the Settlement Agent). IntraFi, as Customer's agent, allocates Customer's cash balance up to the Deposit Limit among the Program Banks to seek to maximize the potential FDIC deposit insurance coverage available under the Program up to the Deposit Limit.

Bank and IntraFi will use commercially reasonable efforts to ensure that no more than \$250,000 of Customer's swept cash balances will be deposited in any single Program Bank through the Program. If Customer holds deposits in a Program Bank outside of the Program, Bank and IntraFi will not take those deposits into account in determining whether to allocate Customer's funds in the Program to a particular Program Bank. Because Bank and IntraFi would not be aware of deposits made by Customer outside of this Program, Customer is solely responsible for monitoring the total amount of all deposits Customer has at each Program Bank for purposes of calculating Customer's FDIC coverage and directing Bank to exclude particular Program Banks using the form provided.

If, for any reason, the amount deposited in any Program Bank account exceeds the applicable SMDIA, the excess Deposit amount would not be insured by the FDIC. Neither Bank nor IntraFi, shall have any liability for any insured or uninsured portion of Customer's Deposits in any of the Program Banks.

The FDIC protects Customer against the loss of Customer's insured Deposits in the event a Program Bank fails. FDIC deposit insurance is backed by the full faith and credit of the United States. In the event that FDIC deposit insurance payments become necessary, Bank will assist Customer in completing required FDIC paperwork or filing on Customer's behalf by providing Customer's account information to the FDIC. However, there is no specific time period during which the FDIC must make insurance payments available. Furthermore, Customer may be required to provide certain documentation to the FDIC before insurance payments are made.

For questions about FDIC insurance coverage, Customer may call the FDIC at 877-275-3342 or visit the FDIC's web site at [www.fdic.gov](http://www.fdic.gov).

### **C. Program Banks**

Customer acknowledges that it has received a list of the Program Banks that will be used for the Account and understands that such is also available at [www.usbank.com/LiquidityPlus](http://www.usbank.com/LiquidityPlus) (or such other web address identified from time to time on Customer's Account statement, ("**Program Website**"). Contact Customer's account manager at Bank or Customer's investment manager for the current web address of the Program Website or for questions regarding any change to the Program Website. Customer may obtain a current list of Program Banks at any time by contacting Bank or visiting the Program Website. Customer's periodic Account statements also list the Program Banks that hold Customer's Deposits and the amount in each of those Program Banks as of the statement date. In the event a Program Bank rejects additional deposits, withdraws entirely, or is terminated from participation in the Program, then Customer hereby authorize and direct that Customer's Deposits be moved to another FDIC-insured Program Bank. As such, the Program Banks that hold Customer's Deposits will typically be in the order appearing on the list of Program Banks ("**Bank List**"). Customer understands that the Bank List may change during a statement period. Visit the Program Website frequently to view the current Bank List. If Customer wants to know the Program Banks at which Customer's Deposits are located at any particular time, contact Customer's account manager.

Each Program Bank is a separate FDIC-insured depository institution. Customer can obtain publicly available financial information for all Program Banks at the FDIC's website at [www.fdic.gov](http://www.fdic.gov); or by contacting the FDIC Division of Depositor and Consumer Protection by letter at 550 17th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20429-9990 or by phone at 877-275-3342. Neither Bank nor IntraFi guarantees the financial condition of any Program Bank, or the accuracy of any publicly available information concerning a Program Bank. Customer expressly consent to Bank, IntraFi, and their service providers providing Customer's customer account information to Program Banks for purposes of Customer's involvement in the Program, as required by applicable law or FDIC regulations.

Bank may add additional Program Banks or delete Program Banks without prior notice to Customer. The order of Program Banks on the Bank List may be changed without prior notice to Customer. Cash balances will be automatically deposited in the Program Banks in the order set forth in the Bank List, subject to Customer's instructions to exclude a particular Program Bank and Bank's ability to place such cash balances with a particular Program Bank. IntraFi may transfer balances between Program Banks in such manner as it determines to be appropriate and consistent with the objectives of the Program, subject to Customer's instructions to exclude a particular Program Bank. Customer hereby agree to receive notice of Program Bank list changes (additions, deletions, or reordering) by consulting the Program Website periodically or by referencing the Account statement to see a breakdown of where Customer's Deposits in the Program are held.

The Program Bank accounts established by Bank as Customer's agent constitute direct obligations of the Program Bank(s) and are not directly or indirectly an obligation of IntraFi. The Program Bank accounts established by Bank as Customer's agent, other than at U.S. Bank National Association are not directly or indirectly an obligation of Bank.

#### **D. Ability to Exclude Program Banks**

Customer may exclude any Program Bank from holding Customer's Deposits by notifying Bank using the opt-out form provided by Bank. Requests to exclude a Program Bank typically will be processed on the next business day after received by Bank, or promptly thereafter. If Customer exclude any Program Banks, the maximum level of FDIC insurance available under the Program may decrease.

#### **E. Interest**

Customer receives interest on the balance of Customer's Deposits held at the Program Banks. The amount of paid interest applicable to Customer's Deposits will be stated on the Account statement. The interest rate paid to Customer is subject to change at any time. Changes in interest rates applicable to Customer's Deposits will be posted on the Program Website. Bank strongly encourages Customer to regularly check the Program Website for information about current rates or changes, especially whenever the Federal Reserve has announced or is expected to announce a change in rates.

Interest will be posted monthly to the Program Bank account unless an event occurs that results in interest posting sooner. Interest will accrue on deposits from the day they are received in investible form by the Program Bank through the business day preceding the date of withdrawal from the Program Bank. The "daily balance method" is used to calculate interest. This method applies a daily periodic interest rate to the principal in the account for the period. The daily rate is  $1/365$  (or  $1/366$  in a leap year) of the applicable annual rate.

The interest rate Customer earns on Customer's Deposits may be higher or lower than the rates available to depositors making non-Program deposits with Program Banks directly, through other types of accounts at Bank, or with other depository institutions in comparable accounts. Customer should compare the terms, rates of return, required minimum amounts, charges and other features of a Deposit with other accounts and investment alternatives.

#### **F. Compensation and Fees**

Each Program Bank may profit from the difference between the interest it pays on Deposits and the income it earns on loans, investments, and other business operations.

Each Program Bank may pay Bank and/or IntraFi fees for its services related to Customer's Deposits equal to a percentage of the average daily Deposit balance in the accounts at the Program Bank. Bank may share such fees with IntraFi. The amount of any fees a Program Bank pays could directly affect the interest rate paid by the Program Bank on Customer's Deposits. The fees paid to Bank and/or IntraFi by each Program Bank may vary. Bank and IntraFi may earn a higher fee if Customer participate in the Program than if Customer invest in other investment products.

### **20.1.5 Money Market Fund Investment for Amounts not Held by Program Banks**

This Section contains the terms and conditions applicable to the sweep of any cash balances in the Account into the Money Market Fund. Any cash balance in the Account in excess of the Deposit Limit will not be swept into Program Banks (as described above) but will be swept into the Money Market Fund. Customer's deposits that are placed in the Money Market Fund are not FDIC insured.

The Money Market Fund is registered with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("**SEC**") as a registered open- end investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940 and its shares are registered for public distribution under the Securities Act of 1933. Although the Money Market Fund's net asset value ("**NAV**") is normally expected to be \$1.00 per share, there is no guarantee that the Money Market Fund will be able to preserve the NAV per share and Customer could lose money by investing in the Money Market Fund.

Customer acknowledges that Customer has received the Money Market Fund prospectus and understands the information in the prospectus regarding the Money Market Fund's fees and expenses. U.S. Bancorp Asset Management, Inc. is the Money Market Fund's investment adviser and provides shareholder services, U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC provides accounting, administration, and transfer-agent services, and Bank is the custodian of the Money Market Fund's assets. U.S. Bancorp Asset Management, Inc. and U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC are affiliated with the Bank. Customer acknowledges that investment advisory, custodial, distribution and other services will be provided, for compensation, to the Money Market Fund by Bank and its affiliates. The fees received by Bank and its affiliates are described in the Money Market Fund prospectus. Please see the prospectus for the Money Market Fund for additional information, including the Money Market Fund's investment objective and strategy and the risks of investing in the Money Market Fund.

**CUSTOMER UNDERSTANDS THAT THE MONEY MARKET FUND IS NOT INSURED BY THE FDIC AND THAT THE FUNDS ARE NOT OBLIGATIONS OF NOR GUARANTEED BY BANK, INTRAFI, ANY OF THEIR AFFILIATES, OR ANY BANK. CUSTOMER FURTHER UNDERSTANDS THAT INVESTMENT IN THE MONEY MARKET FUND INVOLVES RISKS, INCLUDING THE POSSIBLE LOSS OF PRINCIPAL.**

While a registered investment company, such as a money market mutual fund, is bound by fiduciary obligations to its shareholders to seek the highest rates prudently available, Bank, IntraFi, and the Program Banks are under no such obligation.

### 20.1.6 Withdrawals

Each business day, as needed to pay for purchases made in the Account or other withdrawals from the Account, Bank or its agent bank will withdraw Customer's cash from the Program Bank accounts and Money Market Fund (if applicable). Customer consents to have Customer's funds automatically withdrawn from the Money Market Fund and/or the Program Bank accounts in the event of a debit in the Account. Withdrawals will generally be processed on a "Last In First Out" basis, meaning the amounts in the Money Market Fund or the lowest Program Bank on Customer's bank list will be withdrawn first.

Under federal regulations, Program Banks may reserve the right to require seven (7) days' notice before permitting a transfer of funds out of a money market deposit account or certain transaction accounts. While the Program Banks have not indicated their intention to implement such a policy, a Program Bank may, at any time, choose to do so.

Redemption of Customer's holdings in the Money Market Fund (if any) will be processed in accordance with the policies described in the Money Market Fund's prospectus.

Customer cannot directly withdraw funds allocated through the Program from any of the Program Banks or the Money Market Fund.

If Customer request a complete withdrawal or the Account is closed for any reason, Customer may have to wait a period of time for all of the interest to be posted to the Account since interest can only be credited to the Account once interest is credited by the Program Banks to the Program Bank accounts. Depending on when the Program Banks post interest to the Program Bank accounts, there could be a delay between the date of Customer's withdrawal request and the date on which Customer receives all of the interest that accrued in the Program Bank account up to the effective date of Customer's withdrawal.

### 20.1.7 Account Statements

Activity with respect to Customer's participation in the Program, including interest earned for the period, dividends received for the period, and the total of Customer's Deposit balances and Customer's shares of the Money Market Fund, will appear on Customer's periodic Custody Account statement. If Customer receives consolidated account statements for multiple accounts, such statement will not include a breakdown by Program Bank. Customer will not receive a separate statement from the Program Banks or the Money Market Fund.

### 20.1.8 Customer's Responsibility to Monitor Automatic Cash Investment Options

Customer is responsible for, and should speak with Customer's investment manager about, monitoring this automatic sweep option for the Account. As returns on the Deposits, the Money Market Fund, Customer's personal financial circumstances and other factors change, it may be in Customer's financial interest to invest in other investment vehicles. Contact Customer's investment manager for other investments that may be available. Bank is not Customer's investment manager and does not exercise any discretion when administering the Program and Customer acknowledges that it has not relied on any investment advice from Bank in selecting the Program for the Account's automatic sweep option.

### 20.1.9 Risks of the Program

Customer may receive a lower rate of return on funds swept through the Program than on other types of investments. Under Federal regulations, Program Banks are permitted to impose a seven (7) day delay on any request to withdraw Deposits from a money market deposit account or certain transaction accounts; Program Banks may choose to do so at any time. In the event of a failure of a Program Bank, there may be a time period during which Customer may not be able to access Customer's Deposits.

If Customer holds deposits at a Program Bank outside the Program, this may reduce the availability of FDIC insurance for the total amount of Customer's funds held within and outside the Program. If Customer exclude a Program Bank, the amount of deposit insurance available to Customer under the Program (currently \$2,500,000) may decrease.

Customer's investment in the Money Market Fund is not insured by the FDIC and are not obligations of nor guaranteed by Bank, IntraFi, or any of their affiliates. Money market mutual funds are subject to investment risks and may lose value, including possible loss of principal. There is no guarantee that money market mutual funds will maintain a stable net asset value. Read the Money Market Fund's prospectus before investing.

### 20.1.10 Other Terms

**Ordinary Care:** Customer agrees that any act or omission made by Bank or any Program Bank in reliance upon, or in accordance with, any provision of the Uniform Commercial Code as adopted in the State of Minnesota, or any rule or regulation of the State of Minnesota, or a federal agency having jurisdiction over such party shall constitute ordinary care.

**Alternatives to the Program:** Customer understands that, at any time, Customer may opt-out of the Program. Consult with Customer's investment manager to opting out of the Program to see what alternatives may be available to Customer. If Customer does not designate a replacement automatic end-of-day cash investment option for the Account that is agreed to by Bank, the amounts in the Account will remain in the Account as non-interest-bearing uninvested cash to the extent that Customer does not manually manage end-of-day cash balances with daily purchase transactions.



**Aggregation of Funds in Multiple Accounts:** If Customer has more than one custody account in the Program with the same tax identification information and Ownership Category type (for example, personal, trust, business), the funds in all such custody accounts may be aggregated for the purpose of determining how Customer's cash balances are placed in the Program. As a result, the cash balances in each of the custody accounts, when viewed separately, may appear to be placed with Program Banks in a different order than is set forth in the Bank List for each particular custody account. Cash balances placed at Program Banks through multiple custody accounts with the same tax identification information and Ownership Category typically will not rebalance up the Bank List even if another similar custody account's Deposits are fully withdrawn. Customer should review each separate custody account statement together in the aggregate. In the event that Customer has multiple investment managers each handling different custody accounts, each of Customer's custody accounts in the Program may be subject to a different Bank List. If the same Program Bank appears on the Bank List for more than one of Customer's custody accounts in the Program, then to exclude the Program Bank from all of Customer's custody accounts in the Program Customer will need to separately complete the Program Bank opt-out form for each custody account.

**Clearinghouse Rules:** Unless otherwise provided herein, Bank may comply with applicable clearinghouse, Federal Reserve and correspondent bank rules in processing transactions related to the Program. Customer agrees that Bank is not required to notify Customer of a change in those rules, except to the extent required by law.

## **20.2 U.S. BANK NON-INTEREST BEARING DEPOSIT**

This Section of the Agreement applies if the U.S. Bank Non-Interest-Bearing Deposit sweep option is selected as the end-of-day cash sweep option for the Account. Customer hereby acknowledges that uninvested cash is swept to a non-interest bearing deposit account at U.S. Bank National Association for the benefit of Bank's customers. Customer acknowledges that (i) the Non-Interest-Bearing Deposit Account is owned by Bank on behalf of its customers, (ii) all deposits and withdrawals from such account are performed and controlled by Bank, and (iii) cash shall be insured by the FDIC, as determined under FDIC regulations, subject to applicable limits (typically, up to \$250,000 per depositor for all deposits such depositor holds at U.S. Bank National Association).

## **20.3 OTHER (MUST BE AGREED TO BY BANK AND DESIGNATED ADVISOR; MAY IMPACT ACCOUNT FEES)**

20.3.1 This Section of the Agreement applies if Customer was approved to use an investment other than U.S. Bank Liquidity Plus or the Non-Interest Bearing Deposit as their end-of-day cash sweep option for the Account.

20.3.2 Customer hereby acknowledges and confirms that Customer has received and read any prospectus or other documentation relating to such investment, understands any fees or affiliations of such investment with Bank, and has reviewed the materials below referred to U.S. Bank Important Investment Disclosures.

20.3.3 This authorization and direction shall continue in effect with respect to the identified investment should investment be merged with or into another investment.

## **SECTION 21: E-SIGN AUTHORIZATION AND CONSENT**

### **21.1 E-SIGN COMPLIANCE AND CONSENTS**

If this Agreement is executed using a third-party e-sign service, Customer agrees that this Agreement and its execution comply with the Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act, and with any applicable state and local law governing the electronic formation and signature of contracts, as amended from time to time, and will not be denied legal effect, validity, or enforceability solely because the Agreement is in electronic form or an electronic signature or electronic record was used in its formation. Customer consents to the provision of Customer's personal information to any third-party e-sign service and Customer consents such service's permanent retention of such data on behalf of Bank. Customer assumes all risk and liability relating to the electronic formation or electronic signature of this Agreement, whether resulting from or in (a) a denial of legal effect, validity, or enforceability of the Agreement; (b) a breach of confidentiality, privacy, or security; or (c) any other cause or in any other consequence. Customer hereby waives any defense that the Agreement is ineffective, invalid, or unenforceable solely because the Agreement is in electronic form or an electronic signature or electronic record was used in its formation.

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## U.S. Bank Important Investment Disclosures

### **Mutual fund compensation and related mutual fund disclosures**

Mutual funds are open or closed end, pooled investment vehicles that are considered investment companies. They must be registered with, and are regulated by, the Securities Exchange Commission under the Investment Company Act of 1940. U.S. Bancorp, or its affiliates, including U.S. Bancorp Asset Management, Inc. (USBAM), U.S. Bank N.A. (USBNA) and U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC dba U.S. Bank Global Fund Services (USBFS) (hereafter together U.S. Bank) have entered, and will from time to time enter, into agreements with mutual funds and/or their sponsors, service providers and affiliates whereby U.S. Bank receives compensation, as applicable, for investment advisory services, shareholder services, administration, custody, securities lending, accounting, transfer agency, sub-transfer agency, National Securities Clearing Corporation (NSCC) networking, distribution, principal underwriting and other services rendered to, or on behalf of, mutual funds. For these services, U.S. Bank generally receives a percentage compensation (basis points), based on account assets invested in a mutual fund and determined using the average daily net assets held by the account in that fund. This compensation does not increase the fees paid by an account beyond the fees described in the account fee schedule and the fund's prospectus. This Disclosure describes the compensation U.S. Bank receives for services it performs. This Disclosure should not be considered investment advice.

**First American Funds, Inc. money market funds:** The First American Funds, Inc. money market funds are U.S. Bank affiliated funds managed by USBAM. U.S. Bank provides services to these funds, which may include providing administration, custody, shareholder, transfer agent, accounting, distribution and principal underwriting services.

U.S. Bank receives fees for these services as shown in the schedule below. U.S. Bank may waive a portion of the fees it is entitled to receive for providing services to the First American Funds, Inc. (Total Fees). Total Fees equal the Gross Advisory Fees and Gross Other Fees & Expenses and are stated before any waivers. Net Fees & Expenses shown below are stated after any contractual waivers. Contractual fee waivers may be terminated with the approval of the fund's board of directors. Gross Other Fees & Expenses may vary slightly based on charges for services rendered, but the basis for calculating these amounts does not change. You authorize the fees paid by the funds and received by U.S. Bank up to the Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses disclosed in the prospectuses.

Affiliated fund name	Gross advisory fees	Gross other fees & expenses received by U.S. Bank					Net fees & expenses received by U.S. Bank				
	Class X Z N A	Class X	Class Z	Class V	Class Y	Class A	Class X	Class Z	Class V	Class Y	Class A
<b>First American Funds</b>											
Government Obligations	0.10%	0.14%		0.24%	0.39%						
			0.14%			0.67%	0.14%	0.18%	0.30%	0.45%	0.75%
Institutional Prime Obligations	0.10%		0.45%	0.20%		N/A	0.14%	0.20%	0.30%	0.45%	
Retail Prime Obligations	0.10%		0.16%	0.16%		0.70%	0.14%	0.20%	0.30%	0.45%	0.75%
Retail Tax Free Obligations	0.10%	N/A	0.22%	0.32%	0.47%		N/A	0.20%			
						0.77%			0.30%	0.45%	0.75%
Treasury Obligations	0.10%			0.24%	0.39%						
		0.14%	0.14%			0.69%	0.14%	0.18%	0.30%	0.45%	0.75%
U.S. Treasury Money Market	0.10%	N/A		0.27%	0.42%		N/A				
			0.17%			0.72%		0.20%	0.30%	0.45%	0.75%



Fees and expenses above may be found in the fund prospectuses.

**Investment products and services are:**

**NOT A DEPOSIT • NOT FDIC INSURED • MAY LOSE VALUE • NOT BANK GUARANTEED •  
NOT INSURED BY ANY FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AGENCY**

**Fidelity and Federated money market mutual funds:** U.S. Bank may receive custody, shareholder servicing, accounting, administration, sub-transfer agency and other fees of up to 60 basis points, though more generally, fees range from zero to 25 basis points, from the following funds. Load fees described in prospectuses are waived.

Fund name	Fund name
Federated California Municipal Cash Trust – Institutional Shares	Fidelity Institutional Money Market Treasury Only Portfolio – Class I
Fidelity Institutional Money Market Government Portfolio – Class I	Fidelity Institutional Money Market Treasury Portfolio – Class I
Fidelity Institutional Money Market Prime Portfolio – Class I	Fidelity Money Market Portfolio – Class I
Fidelity Institutional Money Market Tax-Exempt Portfolio – Class I	

**Nuveen Mutual Funds:** Firststar Capital Corporation (Firststar Capital), an affiliate of U.S. Bancorp, holds a less-than-10 percent ownership interest in Windy City Investments Holdings, LLC, which was formerly the parent of Windy City Investment, Inc. and the indirect parent of Nuveen Fund Advisors, LLC, which is the investment advisor to the Nuveen Mutual Funds. On October 1, 2014, Windy City Investments, Inc. was sold to Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America. As a result of the sale, U.S. Bancorp no longer has an indirect ownership interest in Nuveen Fund Advisors, LLC. Depending on the outcome of certain factors, Firststar Capital might in the future receive an earn-out payment related to its interest in Windy City Investment IRA account, to the extent the earn-out payment is attributable to the account's interest in Nuveen Mutual Funds, U.S. Bank will credit to the account a proportionate amount of the payment. Importantly, the sale changed neither the services that U.S. Bank expects to provide to the accounts holding Nuveen Mutual Funds nor the compensation that U.S. Bank expects to receive for providing such services.

**Other Mutual Funds:** U.S. Bank has entered into agreements with mutual funds other than First American Funds, including the Nuveen Mutual Funds (Other Mutual Funds) or with Other Mutual Funds' service providers (including investment advisors, administrators, transfer agents or distributors) whereby U.S. Bank provides services for a fee to, or on behalf of, the Other Mutual Funds. Services may include, as applicable, custody and shareholder services provided by USBNA (fee rates for these services may be up to 100 basis points, though more generally fees range from one to 40 basis points), networking services provided by NSCC (fee rates for these services may be up to 140 basis points), accounting, administration and sub-transfer agency services provided by USBFS (fee rates for these services may be up to 30 basis points) and USBFS employees may also serve on the board of directors or as officers of Other Mutual Funds at no additional charge.

U.S. Bank has also entered into an agreement with National Financial Services, LLC (NFS) to provide shareholder and administration services for, or on behalf of, NFS, Fidelity Brokerage Services, LLC and the Other Mutual Funds available on the NFS platform (fee rates for these services may be up to 36 basis points). The fees received by U.S. Bank include 12b-1 fees.

U.S. Bank will receive shareholder servicing compensation of up to 12.5 basis points on account assets invested in the Nuveen Mutual Funds.



Fees received by U.S. Bank from Nuveen Mutual Funds, Fidelity and Federated Money Market Mutual Funds, Other Mutual Funds and NFS are not in addition to, and do not increase, fund operating expenses or other fees and expenses as described in the applicable prospectuses.

**Securities lending:** U.S. Bank receives fees from the First American Funds, Inc. for securities lending services, as applicable, of up to 20 percent of each fund's net income from securities lending transactions as addressed in the prospectuses. U.S. Bank receives fees from Nuveen Mutual Funds and Other Mutual Funds for securities lending services, which are generally calculated as a percentage of each fund's net income from securities lending transactions, as addressed in the prospectus.

**Other important information:** USBAM is a registered investment advisor and a wholly-owned subsidiary of USBNA. USBAM serves as investment advisor to First American Funds, Inc. U.S. Bank is not responsible for and does not guarantee the products, services or performance of USBAM.

If investing in mutual funds, each fund's investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses must be considered carefully before investing. The prospectus contains this and other important information. Please contact the fund or a member of your relationship team for a copy. Read the prospectus carefully before investing.

**Mutual fund investing** involves risk and principal loss is possible. Investing in certain funds involves special risks, such as those related to investments in small- and mid-capitalization stocks, foreign, debt and high yield securities and funds that focus their investments in a particular industry. Please refer to the fund prospectus for additional details pertaining to these risks.

*Income from tax-exempt funds may be subject to state and local taxes and a portion of income may be subject to the federal and/or state alternative minimum tax for certain investors. Federal and/or state income tax rules will apply to any capital gains distribution.*

An investment in **money market funds** is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or any other government agency. It is possible to lose money by investing in these funds.

See the applicable fund prospectuses, which may be found on the fund companies' websites, for a complete description, including calculation formulas, for management, custody and other fees associated with the mutual funds. For more information, including whether a fund is affiliated with, or pays U.S. Bank fees, contact a member of your relationship team. [www.federatedinvestors.com](http://www.federatedinvestors.com) | [www.fidelity.com](http://www.fidelity.com) | [www.firstamericanfunds.com](http://www.firstamericanfunds.com) | [www.nuveen.com](http://www.nuveen.com)

### Private Investment Fund disclosure

"Private Investment Funds" or "Private Funds" are pooled investment vehicles that are excluded from the definition of investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940 by section 3(c)(1) or 3(c)(7) of that Act. The term Private Fund generally includes funds commonly known as hedge funds and private equity funds. USBNA and USBFS may enter into agreements with Private Funds or with their service providers, whereby USBNA and USBFS provide services to such funds and receive fees or compensation for these services from the funds or the funds' sponsors or agents. USBNA services provided include, as applicable, trust and administrative services including collateral custody, collateral agent, administrative and reporting functions, registrar, paying agent, loan administration, escrow, document custody, back-up servicer services, deposit account services, and various lending services to the fund and/or its investments including direct loans, revolving credit facilities and other extensions of credit and loan administration. USBFS services provided include, as applicable, fund administration including accounting, shareholder services, transfer agency and reporting services. For the types of fees charged to any Fund, see the Fund issuer's private placement offering documents. Fees received by U.S. Bank from Private Funds are not in addition to, and do not increase, fund operating expenses or other fees and expenses as described in the applicable Fund's offering documents.

**Other important information:** Private Investment Funds are speculative and involve a substantially more complicated set of risk factors than traditional investments such as stocks or bonds, including use of derivatives, leverage and short sales which can magnify potential losses or gains.

Restrictions may exist on the ability to redeem or transfer interests in a Private Investment Fund. Investors considering an investment in Private Investment Funds must be fully aware that these investments are illiquid by nature, typically represent a long-term binding commitment and are not readily marketable. The valuation procedures for these holdings are often subjective in nature.



Private Investment Funds are not suitable for every investor even if the investor meets the financial eligibility requirements. It is important to consult with your tax and investment professional to determine how these investments might fit your asset allocation, risk profile and tax situation.

Private Investment Funds are offered to you by the Fund issuer with a private placement memorandum ("PPM"), which a prospective investor must carefully read for a more complete description of fees, risks and restrictions. For more information, contact your Portfolio Manager or a member of your relationship team.

## FEE SCHEDULE FOR CLIENTS OF: MEEDER INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

### DOMESTIC MARKET VALUE FEES: 0.75 BPS

#### CUSTODY SERVICES

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|---|---------------------------------------|
| ■ Safekeeping of assets                   | ■ Corporate action processing         |
| ■ Transaction settlement                  | ■ Proxy distribution                  |
| ■ Automated Cash Management (ACM) (Sweep) | ■ Securities pricing                  |
| ■ Online account access                   | ■ Consolidated accounting & reporting |

#### ITEMIZED FEES

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|-----------------------------------|------------|
| ■ Domestic trades                 | ■ Included |
| ■ Mutual funds transactions       | ■ Included |
| ■ Security holding fees           | ■ Included |
| ■ Cash receipts and disbursements | ■ Included |

#### SERVICE AND FEE ASSUMPTIONS

- The above description of custody services is provided for convenience only. For a complete description of services that USBNA expects to provide to the Account, see the Account's governing custody agreement. In the event of any inconsistency between the above description and such agreement, such agreement prevails with respect to the powers, rights, and duties of USBNA.
- Market value fees are calculated on the average daily balance and invoiced to the Account monthly.
- The Account does not hold plan or IRA assets.
- USBNA does not have discretion to invest the Account's assets and does not provide recommendations on acquiring, holding, disposing of, or exchanging such assets or selecting investment advisers or managers with respect thereto. The Investment Adviser has sole discretion to invest the Account's assets and is (i) registered as an investment adviser with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission or state securities agency where it has its principal place of business or (ii) acting in a fiduciary capacity under 12 CFR Part 9 or state law.
- The sweep vehicle designated for the Account is a fund sponsored by a USBNA affiliate or is a USBNA deposit.
- USBNA may amend this Fee Schedule by delivering an amended and restated Fee Schedule or another written notice to the Account's owner (the "Customer"). Such amendment will be effective thirty (30) calendar days after such delivery.
- The Customer acknowledges that the Customer (i) has received, read, and understands USBNA's Mutual Fund Compensation Disclosure and a fully-executed copy of the Account's governing custody agreement and (ii) may contact the Customer's Relationship Manager at USBNA regarding that disclosure and agreement, this Fee Schedule, and any transaction reflected on an Account statement.
- For global accounts, proxy out of pocket fees are assessed to the account at the then current rate.

The Client hereby executes this Fee Schedule as of this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

Client: Fort Bend County

By: \_\_\_\_\_

(Signature of Client's authorized signer)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Printed name of Client's authorized signer)

Its: \_\_\_\_\_

(Title of Client's authorized signer)

