PERAC MEMO #37/2014

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS | PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION

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MEMORANDUM

TO:	All Retirement Boards
FROM:	Thomas J. O'Donnell, Compliance Officer

RE: Tobacco Company List

DATE: December 17, 2014

On October 22, 1997 PERAC Memo #37/1997 informed you of the adoption of Chapter 119 of the Acts of 1997. That statute prohibits retirement systems from making any new investments in stocks, securities, or other obligations of any company which derives more than 15% of its revenue from the sale of tobacco products. On December 18, 1997 PERAC sent Memo #48 regarding the implementation of Chapter 119 and the first Tobacco Company List.

Enclosed please find a Tobacco Company List dated January 2015. This list replaces any other Tobacco Company List previously sent to your board and is effective upon receipt by the retirement boards. Most of these companies appeared on previous lists and such investments were prohibited from the time the companies first appeared on the list. Please forward a copy to your investment advisors or inform them that this list is available on the PERAC Home Page under the Investment Unit's 2014 Memo Index. In communicating with your investment advisors, please inform them that the Tobacco Company List is only for their Massachusetts public fund clients and that any other use of the list is strictly prohibited.

As part of its audit process, PERAC will assess the portfolio of each board to determine compliance. That review will determine if the board, after January 13, 1998, has purchased stock, securities, or other obligations of any company which derives more than 15% of its revenue from the sale of tobacco products. In the event a portfolio is not in compliance, the board must bring the portfolio into compliance by divesting in a prudent manner. Prior to taking any action, the board shall consult with PERAC.

In applying the statute to pooled funds, PERAC will assess the 15% rule against the entire pool as the board is purchasing shares in the pool not the individual holdings of the pool. Thus a pooled fund, if in violation of this standard, will be included on the list.

If you have any questions, please contact this office.

Enclosure



TOBACCO COMPANY LIST JANUARY 2015

COMPANY

COUNTRY

Alliance One International Inc.
Altria Group, Inc.
AMCON Distributing Company
Core-Mark Holding Company, Inc.
Electronic Cigarettes International Group Ltd
Icon Vapor Inc.
Lorillard, Inc.
Lorillard Tobacco Company
Philip Morris International Inc.
Rapid Fire Marketing, Inc.
Reynolds American Inc.
Schweitzer Mauduit International Inc.
Smokefree Innotec Inc
Universal Corporation
Vapor Corp.
Vapor Group Inc.
Vaporin Inc.
Vector Group Ltd.
Wee-Cig International Corp

Bangladesh Leaf Tobacco Co. Ltd. British American Tobacco Bangladesh Co. Ltd.

Fabrika Duhana Sarajevo dd Sarajevo

Souza Cruz S.A.

Bulgartabak Holding AD Gotse Delchev Tabak AD Gotse Delchev Isperih BT AD Isperih Nicotiana BT Holding AD Sofia Pazardzhik-BT AD Shumen Tabac AD Shumen Sila Holding Plc Slantse Stara Zagora Tabak AD Stara Zagora Sofia Bulgartaback AD Sofia Stara Planina Hold AD Sofia Yuri Gagarin AD Plovdiv

British American Tobacco Chile Operaciones SA

Mudanjiang Hengfeng Paper Co., Ltd. Shenzhen Jinjia Color Printing Group Co., Ltd. Shiner International Inc United States United States

Bangladesh Bangladesh

Bosnia & Herzegovina

Brazil

Bulgaria Bulgaria Bulgaria Bulgaria Bulgaria Bulgaria Bulgaria Bulgaria Bulgaria Chile China China China China

COMPANY	<u>COUNTRY</u>
Adris Grupa dd Hrvatski Duhani dd Tvornica Duhana Zagreb dd	Croatia Croatia Croatia
CTO PCL	Cyprus
Philip Morris CR as	Czech Republic
Eastern Co SAE	Egypt
Christian Dior S.A.	France
Karelia Tobacco Company Inc SA	Greece
Huabao International Holdings Ltd.	Hong Kong
Godfrey Phillips India Limited Golden Tobacco Ltd. ITC Limited NTC Industries Ltd. Sinnar Bidi Udyog Ltd Virat Crane Industries Ltd VST Industries Limited	India India India India India India India
PT Bentoel Internasional Investama Tbk PT Gudang Garam Tbk PT Hanjaya Mandala Sampoerna Tbk Wismilak Inti Makmur Tbk PT	Indonesia Indonesia Indonesia Indonesia
YZ Queenco Ltd	Israel
Societe Ivoirienne des Tabacs SA	Ivory Coast
Carreras Ltd	Jamaica
ITOCHU Corporation Japan Tobacco Inc. Mitsubishi Corporation	Japan Japan Japan
Al-Eqbal Investment Company PSC Jordanian Duty Free Shops PSC Union Tobacco & Cigarette Industries Co PSC	Jordan Jordan Jordan
British American Tobacco Kenya Ltd	Kenya
Tutunski Kombinat AD Prilep	Macedonia

COMPANY COUNTRY Press Corporation Ltd. Malawi Bright Packaging Industry Bhd Malaysia British American Tobacco (Malaysia) Berhad Malaysia Sime Darby Bhd Malaysia Duvanski Kombinat ad Podgorica u stecaju Montenegro British American Tobacco Holdings (The Netherlands) B.V. Netherlands Khyber Tobacco Company Ltd. Pakistan Pakistan Tobacco Company Ltd. Pakistan Philip Morris (Pakistan) Limited Pakistan Jerusalem Cigarette Co Ltd Palestinian Territory British American Tobacco del Peru Holding SAA Peru Philippines LT Group, Inc. BAT Vranje ad Vranje Serbia Duvanska ad Coka Serbia Duvanska industrija ad Bujanovac Serbia Philip Morris Operations a.d. Nis Serbia New Toyo International Holdings Ltd Singapore **KT&G** Corporation South Korea Nongshim Holdings Co., Ltd. South Korea SK Chemicals Company, Ltd. South Korea Miquel y Costas & Miquel, S.A. Spain Ceylon Tobacco Company PLC Sri Lanka Swedish Match AB Sweden Taisun Enterprise Co. Ltd. Taiwan Taiwan FamilyMart Co., Ltd. Taiwan Tanzania Cigarette Company Ltd Tanzania The West Indian Tobacco Company Ltd. Trinidad and Tobago Bizim Toptan Satis Magazalari AS Turkey Haci Omer Sabanci Holding AS Turkey Tav Havalimanlari Holding A.S. Turkey British American Tobacco Uganda Uganda

COMPANY

Booker Group Plc British American Tobacco Plc Imperial Tobacco Group Plc

Cat Loi Joint Stock Co. Cong ty Co phan Ngan Son

British American Tobacco Zambia Plc

British American Tobacco Zimbabwe Holdings Ltd

COUNTRY

United Kingdom United Kingdom United Kingdom

Vietnam Vietnam

Zambia

Zimbabwe