

## MEMORANDUM

TO: All Retirement Boards

FROM: John P. Galvin, Compliance Analyst

RE: Tobacco Company List

DATE: December 9, 2022

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 2023. 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 website. 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

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# TOBACCO COMPANY LIST

## JANUARY 2023

<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>COUNTRY</u>
22 <sup>nd</sup> Century Group, Inc.	United States
A1 Group Inc	United States
Altria Group, Inc.	United States
AMCON Distributing Company	United States
B.A.T. Capital Corporation	United States
Charlie's Holdings, Inc.	United States
Fyolo Technology Corp	United States
Healthier Choices Management Corp.	United States
Mativ Holdings, Inc.	United States
Old Holdco, Inc.	United States
Performance Food Group Company	United States
Philip Morris International Inc.	United States
Pyxus International, Inc.	United States
Reynolds American Inc.	United States
Starfleet Innotec Inc	United States
Turning Point Brands, Inc.	United States
Universal Corporation	United States
Vapor Group Inc	United States
Vapor Hub International Inc.	United States
Vector Group Ltd.	United States
VPR Brands LP	United States
Wee-Cig International Corp	United States
 British American Tobacco Bangladesh Co. Ltd.	 Bangladesh
 Badeco Adria d.d. Sarajevo	 Bosnia & Herzegovina
 Bulgartabac Holding AD	 Bulgaria
Gotse Delchev Tabac AD	Bulgaria
Nicotiana BT Holding AD	Bulgaria
Shumen Tabac AD	Bulgaria
Sila Holding Plc	Bulgaria
Slantse Stara Zagora Tabak AD	Bulgaria
Yuri Gagarin AD	Bulgaria
 Anhui Genuine New Materials Co Ltd	 China
Huabao Flavours & Fragrances Co Ltd	China
Mudanjiang Hengfeng Paper Co., Ltd.	China
RLX Technology Inc	China
Shenzhen Jinjia Group Co., Ltd.	China
Smoores International Holdings Ltd	China

COMPANYCOUNTRY

Cyprus Trading Corporation Plc

Cyprus

Philip Morris CR as

Czech Republic

Scandinavian Tobacco Group A/S  
STG Global Finance B.V.Denmark  
Denmark

Eastern Company SAE

Egypt

Kumulus Vape SA

France

Karelia Tobacco Company Inc SA

Greece

China Boton Group Company Limited  
China Tobacco International HK Co Ltd  
Ecogreen International Group Limited  
Huabao International Holdings Ltd.Hong Kong  
Hong Kong  
Hong Kong  
Hong KongGodfrey Phillips India Limited  
ITC Limited  
NTC Industries Ltd.  
Sinnar Bidi Udyog Ltd.  
VST Industries LimitedIndia  
India  
India  
India  
IndiaIndonesian Tobacco Tbk PT  
PT Bentoel International Investama Tbk  
PT Gudang Garam Tbk  
PT Hanjaya Mandala Sampoerna Tbk  
PT Wicaksana Overseas International Tbk  
Wismilak Inti Makmur Tbk PTIndonesia  
Indonesia  
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Indonesia

Globrands Group Ltd.

Israel

Societe Ivoirienne des Tabacs SA

Ivory Coast

Carreras Ltd.

Jamaica

Japan Tobacco Inc.

Japan

Al-Eqbal Investment Company PLC  
Jordanian Duty Free Shops PSC  
Union Investment Corporation P.L.C.  
Union Tobacco & Cigarette Industries Co PSCJordan  
Jordan  
Jordan  
Jordan

British American Tobacco Kenya PLC

Kenya

COMPANYCOUNTRY

KT&G Corporation  
Kuk-Il Paper Mfg Co., Ltd.

Korea  
Korea

Tutunski Kombinat AD Prilep

Macedonia

7-Eleven Malaysia Holdings Berhad  
Bright Packaging Industry Bhd  
British American Tobacco (Malaysia) Berhad

Malaysia  
Malaysia  
Malaysia

B.A.T. Netherlands Finance B.V.  
Imperial Brands Finance Netherlands B.V.  
JT International Financial Services B.V.

Netherlands  
Netherlands  
Netherlands

Khyber Tobacco Company Ltd.  
Pakistan Tobacco Company Ltd.  
Philip Morris (Pakistan) Limited  
Tri Pack Films Ltd.

Pakistan  
Pakistan  
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Pakistan

Jerusalem Cigarette Co Ltd.

Palestinian Territory

Eurocash Spolka Akcyjna

Poland

Mercury Retail Group Ltd.

Russian Federation

Coka Duvanska Industrija ad Coka  
Philip Morris Operations a.d. Nis

Serbia  
Serbia

New Toyo International Holdings Ltd.

Singapore

Compania de Distribucion Integral Logista Holdings, S.A.  
Miquel y Costas & Miquel, S.A.

Spain  
Spain

Ceylon Tobacco Company Plc

Sri Lanka

Nolato Aktiebolag  
Swedish Match AB

Sweden  
Sweden

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

British American Tobacco Uganda

Uganda

COMPANYCOUNTRY

B.A.T. International Finance P.L.C.

United Kingdom

British American Tobacco Plc

United Kingdom

Essentra Plc

United Kingdom

Imperial Brands Finance Plc

United Kingdom

Imperial Brands Plc

United Kingdom

McColl's Retail Group Plc

United Kingdom

Cat Loi JSC

Vietnam

Cong ty Co phan Ngan Son

Vietnam

British American Tobacco (Zambia) Plc

Zambia

British American Tobacco Zimbabwe (Holdings) Ltd.

Zimbabwe