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MEMORANDUM

TO: All Retirement Boards

FROM: Thomas J. O'Donnell, Compliance Officer

RE: Tobacco Company List

DATE: December 14, 2018

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 2019. 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 2019

COMPANY

<u>COUNTRY</u>

22nd Century Group, Inc. Alliance One International, Inc. Altria Group, Inc. AMCON Distributing Company American Heritage International Inc. Apollo Global Management, LLC B.A.T. Capital Corporation Core-Mark Holding Company, Inc. Electronic Cigarettes International Group, Ltd Energy Transfer Operating, L.P. Gilla Inc. Healthier Choices Management Corp. Icon Vapor Inc. Medigreen Holdings Corporation Newgen Concepts Inc Philip Morris International Inc. Reynolds American Inc. Schweitzer Mauduit International, Inc. Smokefree Innotec Inc Standard Diversified Inc. Turning Point Brands, Inc. Universal Corporation Vapor Hub International Inc. Vector Group Ltd. VPR Brands LP Wee-Cig International Corp

British American Tobacco Bangladesh Co. Ltd.

Fabrika Duhana Sarajevo dd Sarajevo

Bulgartabac Holding AD Gotse Delchev Tabac AD Nicotiana BT Holding AD Shumen Tabac AD Slantse Stara Zagora Tabak AD Stara Planina Hold AD Yuri Gagarin AD

George Weston Limited

United States United States

Bangladesh

Bosnia & Herzegovina

Bulgaria Bulgaria Bulgaria Bulgaria Bulgaria Bulgaria

Canada

COMPANY

COUNTRY

China China China China China
Columbia
Cyprus
Czech Republic
Denmark
Egypt
France
Greece
Hong Kong Hong Kong Hong Kong Hong Kong Hong Kong
India India India India India India India
Israel Israel
Indonesia Indonesia Indonesia Indonesia
Ivory Coast
Jamaica

<u>COMPANY</u>

COUNTRY

Japan Tobacco Inc. Mitsui & Co., Ltd. Yahoo Japan Corporation	Japan Japan Japan
Al-Eqbal Investment Company PSC Jordanian Duty Free Shops PSC Union Investment Corporation PSC Union Tobacco & Cigarette Industries Co PSC	Jordan Jordan Jordan Jordan
British American Tobacco Kenya Ltd	Kenya
BGF Co., Ltd. KT&G Corporation Lotte Corporation Nongshim Holdings SK Chemicals Co., Ltd. SK Discovery Co., Ltd.	Korea Korea Korea Korea Korea Korea
Tutunski Kombinat AD Prilep Veles Tabak AD Veles	Macedonia Macedonia
Press Corporation Ltd.	Malawi
7 Eleven Malaysia Holdings Berhad Bright Packaging Industry Bhd British American Tobacco (Malaysia) Berhad Sime Darby Berhad	Malaysia Malaysia Malaysia Malaysia
Duvanski Kombinat ad u stecaju Podgorica	Montenegro
Schiphol Nederland B.V.	Netherlands
Khyber Tobacco Company Ltd. Pakistan Tobacco Company Ltd. Philip Morris (Pakistan) Limited	Pakistan Pakistan Pakistan
Jerusalem Cigarette Co Ltd	Palestinian Territory
LT Group, Inc.	Philippines
Kingdom Holding Company	Saudi Arabia
British American Tobacco Vranje ad Vranje Coka Duvanska Industrija ad Coka Duvanska industrija ad Bujanovac Philip Morris Operations a.d. Nis	Serbia Serbia Serbia Serbia
New Toyo International Holdings Ltd	Singapore

COMPANY	COUNTRY
Hosken Consolidated Investments Limited	South Africa
Compania de Distribucion Integral Logista Holdings, S.A. Miquel y Costas & Miquel, S.A.	Spain Spain
Ceylon Tobacco Company PLC Melstacorp Limited	Sri Lanka Sri Lanka
Swedish Match AB	Sweden
Taisun Enterprise Co. Ltd. Taiwan FamilyMart Co., Ltd. Uni-President Enterprises Corp.	Taiwan Taiwan Taiwan
Tanzania Cigarette Company Ltd	Tanzania
The West Indian Tobacco Company Ltd.	Trinidad and Tobago
Bizim Toptan Satis Magazalari AS Koc Holding Anonim Sirketi	Turkey Turkey
British American Tobacco Uganda	Uganda
B.A.T. International Finance P.L.C. British American Tobacco Plc Imperial Brands Finance Plc Imperial Brands Plc	United Kingdom United Kingdom United Kingdom United Kingdom
Cat Loi JSC Cong ty Co phan Ngan Son	Vietnam Vietnam
British American Tobacco Zambia Plc	Zambia
British American Tobacco Zimbabwe (Holdings) Ltd	Zimbabwe