

# Memorandum

TO: Federated City Employees' Retirement System FROM: Dhinesh Ganapathiappan

SUBJECT: Health Care Trust Asset Allocation Implementation DATE: September 20, 2018

## Recommendation

Approval to:

- 1. Terminate the Northern Trust Barclays US Agg, Vanguard ST Inflation-Protect, Vanguard Emerging Markets, and Rhumbline S&P Glb LgMid Cmd&NR funds
- 2. Authorize the Secretary to negotiate and execute an agreement with BlackRock for a 3-Month T-Bill separately managed account
- Authorize the Secretary to negotiate and execute an amendment with Northern Trust to add the MSCI Emerging Markets index fund
- 4. Re-balance to the asset allocation policy targets as shown in Appendix A

# **Analysis**

The following recommendation is contingent on approval of the new Health Care Trust Asset Allocation ("AA") and illustrates the fund terminations, new fund investments, and estimated cash flows required to rebalance to the new asset allocation.

Appendix A on the following page summarizes the current plan exposures, estimated cash flows, and expected exposures after implementation.

The new AA eliminates targets to investment grade bonds, US TIPS, and natural resources which requires the termination of the Northern Trust Barclays US Agg, Vanguard ST Inflation-Protect, and Rhumbline S&P Glb LgMid Cmd&NR funds.

The inclusion of the short-term IG bonds asset class requires initiating a new investment. The proposed BlackRock 3-Month T-Bill fund is a separately managed account that will passively track the proposed asset class benchmark (ICE BofAML 3-Month T-Bill index) at a 2 bps management fee.

In order to align the emerging markets equity plan exposure with the proposed benchmark, the Vanguard Emerging Markets fund which tracks the FTSE Emerging Markets All Cap China A Inclusion Index at a management fee of 11 bps is proposed to be replaced by the Northern Trust MSCI Emerging Markets index fund at a management fee of 9.5 bps.

All funds offer daily liquidity terms so the changes are expected to be completed in conjunction with the effective date of the new asset allocation (October 1, 2018).

 $Appendix\ A:\ Proposed\ Asset\ Allocation\ Implementation$ 

	Current (7/3	31/18)	Target	Proposed (10/1/18)		
	% of				% of	
	MV	Plan *	Policy	+/-	MV	Plan *
Total Health Care Trust	294,362,051				294,362,051	
Growth	165,652,795	56.3%	56%	(860,083)	164,792,712	56.0%
Public Equity	165,652,795	56.3%	56%	(860,083)	164,792,712	56.0%
Global Equity	36,844,566	12.5%		-	36,844,566	12.5%
Artisan Global Value	36,844,566	12.5%			36,844,566	12.5%
US Equity*	81,088,969	34.7%	28%	(17,800,000)	63,288,969	28.0%
Northern Trust Russell 3000	78,930,439	26.8%		(17,800,000)	61,130,439	20.8%
Cove Street Small Cap Value	2,158,530	0.7%			2,158,530	0.7%
International Equity*	31,559,176	15.3%	13%	(6,900,000)	24,659,176	13.0%
Northern Trust MSCI EAFE	31,559,176	10.7%		(6,900,000)	24,659,176	8.4%
Emerging Markets Equity*	16,160,083	6.9%	15%	23,839,917	40,000,000	15.0%
Vanguard Emerging Markets	16,160,083	5.5%		(16,160,083)	-	0.0%
Northern Trust MSCI EM	-	0.0%		40,000,000	40,000,000	13.6%
Zero Beta	523,128	0.2%	29%	84,817,186	85,340,313	29.0%
Short-term IG Bonds	-	0.0%	29%	85,000,000	85,000,000	28.9%
BlackRock 3-Month T-Bill	-	0.0%		85,000,000	85,000,000	28.9%
Cash	523,128	0.2%	0%	(182,814)	340,313	0.1%
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Other	128,155,846	43.5%	15%	(83,957,103)	44,198,744	15.0%
Real Estate	21,047,743	7.2%	10%	8,500,000	29,547,743	10.0%
American Core Realty Fund, LLC	12,424,195	4.2%			12,424,195	4.2%
Prudential PRISA, LP	8,623,548	2.9%		8,500,000	17,123,548	5.8%
Commodities	14,051,001	4.8%	5%	600,000	14,651,001	5.0%
Credit Suisse Risk Parity	11,064,696	3.8%		600,000	11,664,696	4.0%
Pinnacle Asset Management, LP	2,986,305	1.0%			2,986,305	1.0%
Investment Grade Bonds	66,664,760	22.6%	0%	(66,664,760)	-	0.0%
Northern Trust Barclays US Agg	66,664,760	22.6%		(66,664,760)	-	0.0%
US TIPS	14,846,972	5.0%	0%	(14,846,972)	-	0.0%
Vanguard ST Inflation - Protect	14,846,972	5.0%		(14,846,972)	-	0.0%
Natural Resources	11,545,371	3.9%	0%	(11,545,371)	-	0.0%
Rhumbline S&P Glb LgMid Cmd&NR	11,545,371	3.9%		(11,545,371)	-	0.0%

Source: State Street, ORS

<sup>\*</sup> Regional equity % of plan values include Artisan Global Value exposure allocation

## **COMMON EMERGING MARKETS INDEX FUND - NON-LENDING**

## As Of June 30, 2018

EQUITIES

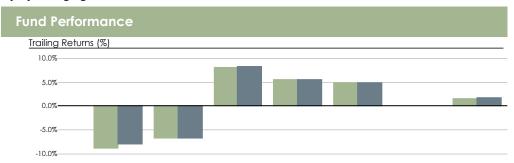
Key Facts	
Inception	02/08/2011
Fund Size (\$M)	490.93
Benchmark	MSCI Emerging Markets ND

Portfolio Information					
	Fund	Index			
Number of Equity Securities	946	1,135			
Weighted Avg. Cap. (\$B)	87.8	87.4			
Price to Earnings	13.43	13.45			
Price to Book	1.71	1.71			
Dividend Yield (%)	2.57	2.57			
3-Year EPS (%)	17.04	17.06			
Return on Equity (%)	15.75	15.73			

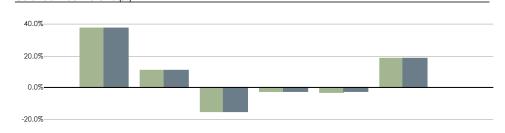
Top Holdings (% of fund	)	
	Fund	Index
Tencent Holdings Ltd.	5.55	5.46
Alibaba Group Holding Ltd. Sponsored ADR	4.07	4.09
Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd.	3.82	3.84
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	3.32	3.34
Naspers Limited Class N	2.11	2.13
China Construction Bank Corporation Class H	1.72	1.70
Baidu, Inc. Sponsored ADR Class A	1.27	1.28
China Mobile Limited	1.06	1.04
Industrial and Commercial Bank of China Limited Class H	1.01	0.99
Ping An Insurance (Group) Company of China, Ltd.	0.93	0.92

#### **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE**

The primary objective of the Northern Trust Emerging Markets Equity Index Fund is to approximate the risk and return characteristics of the MSCI Emerging Markets (MSCI EM) Index. This Index is commonly used to represent the large and medium cap segment of the equity emerging markets.



as of 06/30/2018	3 Month	Year-to- Date	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	10-Year	Since Inception
Fund	-8.65	-6.70	8.01	5.50	4.94		1.67
Benchmark	-7.96	-6.66	8.20	5.60	5.01	-	1.75
Calendar Year Returns (%)  All performance periods greater than 1-year are annualized.							



	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Fund	37.13	11.08	-15.05	-2.25	-2.62	18.39	
Benchmark	37.28	11.19	-14.92	-2.19	-2.60	18.22	

#### **INVESTOR STRATEGY**

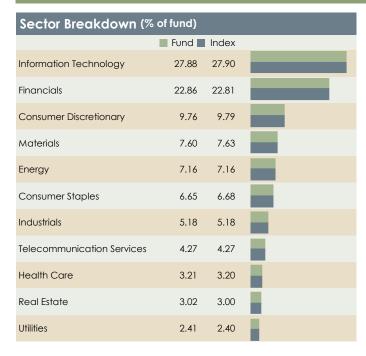
To achieve its objective, the Fund employs a replication technique which generally seeks to hold each index constituent in its proportional index weight. The Fund may make limited use of futures and/or options for the purpose of maintaining equity exposure. This Fund may not participate in securities lending.

### **INVESTMENT MANAGER**

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3-Year Risk Statistic	cs
Tracking Error*	1.15 Tracking error is a measure of the volatility of the differences in the return between a fund and its benchmark. The smaller the tracking error, the more the fund resembles the benchmark regarding risk and return characteristics.
Beta*	1.00 Beta is a measure of the volatility, or systematic risk, of a security or a portfolio in comparison to the market as a whole.
Annualized Standard Deviation	15.84 Standard deviation is a measure of risk. In this case risk is represented by the fund's price movements up or down over time.
*Measured against the Fur	nd's benchmark

## For More Information

Please contact Northern Trust at 877-651-9156.

Fees and expenses are one of several factors that participants and beneficiaries should consider when making investment decisions. The cumulative effect of fees and expenses can substantially reduce the growth of a retirement account; beneficiaries can visit the Employee Benefit Security Administration's website for an example demonstrating the long term effect of fees and expenses.

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#### Additional Disclosure Information

**Total Administrative Expense** reflects the maximum level at which (i) the direct expenses as well as external audit fees for the Fund and (ii) the direct expenses and external audit fees of the underlying Funds in which it invests, will be assessed and indirectly impact the Fund. The trustee does not assess or charge any fee in connection with the purchase or redemption of units of the Fund. NTI may at any time modify or discontinue the above-described caps on Total Administrative Expenses. These expenses do not include additional amounts, if any, that may be charged to your account for plan administration. Please contact your Plan administrator or plan recordkeeper for further information regarding the total expense of investing in the Fund.

Investment Risks- The following Risks are for Common Emerging Markets Index Fund - Non-Lending.

Capitalization Risk: Concentrating assets in stocks of one or more capitalizations (small, mid, or large) may be subject to both the

specific risks of those capitalizations as well as increased volatility because stocks of specific capitalizations

tend to go through cycles of beating or lagging the market as a whole.

**Derivatives Risk:** Investments in derivatives may be subject to the risk that the advisor does not correctly predict the

movement of the underlying security, interest rate, market index, or other financial asset, or that the value of the derivative does not correlate perfectly with either the overall market or the underlying asset from which

the derivative's value is derived.

Emerging Markets Risk: Investments in emerging- and frontier-markets securities may be subject to greater market, credit, currency,

liquidity, legal, political, and other risks compared with assets invested in developed foreign countries.

**Futures Risk:** Investments in futures contracts and options on futures contracts may increase volatility and be subject to

additional market, active management, interest, currency, and other risks if the contract cannot be closed

when desired.

**Issuer Risk:** A stake in any individual security is subject to the risk that the issuer of that security performs poorly, resulting in

a decline in the security's value.

Loss of Money Risk: Because the investment's market value may fluctuate up and down, an investor may lose money, including

part of the principal, when he or she buys or sells the investment.

Suitability Risk: Investors are expected to select investments whose investment strategies are consistent with their financial

goals and risk tolerance.

## **Comparative Benchmark Definitions**

MSCI Emerging Markets® Index is a free float-adjusted, market capitalization index that is designed to measure equity market performance in the global emerging markets. It is not possible to invest directly in an index.