

WORKERS' COMPENSATION FUNDING COMMISSION

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Hon. Mark Metcalf, State Treasurer Office of Kentucky State Treasurer 1050 US Highway 127 South, Suite 100 Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 mark.metcalf@ky.gov

RE: KRS 41.476 Restricted Financial Institution Report of The Kentucky Workers' Compensation Funding Commission

Dear Mr. Metcalf:

This report constitutes the Kentucky Workers' Compensation Funding Commission's (KWCFC) compliance with KRS Chapter 41.474, et seq.

Beginning in 2023, KWCFC owned direct or indirect holdings with at least four (4) of the eleven (11) companies your office identified as falling within the purview of KRS Chapter 41.470-41.476. Those companies are:

- 1. Citigroup Inc.
- 2. HSBC PLC
- JPMorgan Chase & Co.
- 4. Nordea Bank ABP

Since the publishing of the Treasurer's list, one of the restricted holdings KWCFC maintained was with HSBC PLC, which matured in 2023 for one million dollars and again in 2024 for one million dollars. Those funds were reinvested, but were not reinvested with HSBC PLC or any other restricted company identified by the Treasurer.

KWCFC has previously reported that to the extent KRS 41.472(3) applies to its remaining investments, it should not be subject to the requirements of KRS 41.470-41.476, as it has been determined that divestment would cause a significant financial loss and would "be inconsistent with its fiduciary responsibility with respect to the investment of entity assets or other duties imposed by law relating to the investment of entity assets." KRS 41.472(3).

Specifically, divestment of the remaining direct or indirect interests would result in a financial loss of \$2,028,198 and would, therefore, be inconsistent with KWCFC's fiduciary responsibility established under KRS 342.1223. When it is determined divestment of the remaining interests will no longer result in financial loss, KWCFC will take the appropriate action under KRS 41.470 - 41.476.

Please advise if you have any questions or require any additional information.

Sincerely,

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