

April 7, 2025

Dear Potential Provider:

The Massachusetts Pension Reserves Investment Management Board ("PRIM") is requesting responses from firms interested in providing General Real Estate Investment Advisory Services, General Timberland Investment Advisory Services or Project Investment Advisory Services.

The Procurement Officer for this Request for Proposals (RFP) is Minching Kao. In order for responses to be considered by PRIM, each prospective provider must respond to the RFP by submitting an electronic copy of its response, including attachments, via e-mail to rfpresponses@mapension.com. The response must be received by **3:00 p.m., ET, Friday, May 9, 2025.**

Further instructions for response submission are included in the RFP. Questions concerning the RFP must be submitted to rfpresponses@mapension.com by 3:00 p.m., ET, Friday, April 18, 2025.

PRIM appreciates the time and effort required to respond to this RFP. Each firm submitting a response to PRIM can be assured that commensurate time and effort will be expended in evaluating each response. PRIM looks forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Michael G. Trotsky, CFA
Executive Director & Chief Investment Officer



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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)

General Real Estate Investment Advisory Services, General Timberland Investment Advisory Services or Project Investment Advisory Services

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I. INTRODUCTION/PURPOSE

The Massachusetts Pension Reserves Investment Management Board ("PRIM") is soliciting responses from firms interested in providing General Real Estate Investment Advisory Services, General Timberland Investment Advisory Services or Project Investment Advisory Services. More-detailed descriptions of these services are set forth in Section III of this RFP under the heading "SCOPE OF SERVICES."

II. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

A. Legal Structure of PRIM

PRIM was created in 1983 by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts through legislation (Chapter 661 of the Acts of 1983, as amended by Chapter 315 of the Acts of 1996) to provide general supervision of the investments and management of the Pension Reserves Investment Trust (PRIT) Fund. The PRIT Fund was created by the same legislation and is the investment portfolio for the assets of the State Employees' and State Teachers' Retirement Systems, as well as local retirement systems that choose to invest in the PRIT Fund.

PRIM is governed by a nine-member board of trustees (the "Board"). The trustees include: (1) the Governor, ex officio, or their designee; (2) the State Treasurer, ex officio, or their designee, who shall serve as Chair of the PRIM Board; (3) a private citizen, experienced in the field of financial management, appointed by the State Treasurer; (4) an employee or retiree, who is a member of the State Teachers' Retirement System, elected by the members of such system, for a term of three years; (5) an employee or retiree, who is a member of the State Employees' Retirement System, elected by the members of such system for a term of three years; (6) the elected member of the State Retirement Board; (7) one of the elected members of the Teachers' Retirement Board; (8) a person who is not an employee or official of the Commonwealth appointed by the Governor; and (9) a representative of a public safety union appointed by the Governor. Appointed members serve for a term of four years.

The mission of the PRIT Fund is to ensure that current and future pension benefit obligations are adequately funded in a cost-effective manner. PRIM therefore seeks to maximize the total return on investments within acceptable levels of risk for a public pension fund. Under current law (as amended by Section 45 of Chapter 68 of the Acts of 2011), by the year 2040, the PRIT Fund will have grown, through annual payments in accordance with a legislatively approved funding schedule and through total investment return of the PRIT Fund, to an amount sufficient to meet the then existing pension obligations of the Commonwealth. The Commonwealth has adopted a schedule of state pension appropriations that assumes a long-term actuarial rate of return for the PRIT Fund of 7.00%.

The nine-member board of trustees, as trustees for each retirement system that invests in the PRIT Fund, has the authority: to employ an Executive Director, outside investment managers, custodians, legal counsel, consultants and others as it deems necessary; to formulate policies and procedures; and to take such other actions as necessary and appropriate to manage the assets of the PRIT Fund.

PRIM is the legal custodian of the PRIT Fund and has fiduciary responsibility for the assets transferred to the PRIT Fund by state and local retirement systems. PRIM selects the PRIT Fund's investment managers and



advisors, reviews and evaluates total PRIT Fund and individual investment manager performance, and performs various other activities in the daily management of the PRIT Fund. As of December 31, 2024, the PRIT Fund had net assets totaling approximately \$110 billion.

PRIM is governed by Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 32 and oversees the PRIT Fund under the terms of its Operating Trust dated July 15, 1988, and amended on September 22, 1998 (a copy of which is available at www.mapension.com). The members of the Board, in conjunction with the Executive Director, who serves at the pleasure of the Board, determine policies and make decisions concerning the administrative and investment operations of the PRIT Fund.

PRIM has established advisory committees (Investment, Administration & Audit, Real Estate & Timberland, Stewardship & Sustainability, and Compensation) to provide a broad range of input to the Board. These committees are generally composed of several Board members and several non-Board members having investment and/or business and/or other relevant expertise. Significant policies and investments are ultimately approved by the Board.

B. Massachusetts General Laws (MGL Chapter 32)

PRIM is governed by Massachusetts General Laws ("MGL"), Chapter 32, Sections 22 and 23 (web link: https://malegislature.gov/laws/generallaws/parti/titleiv/chapter32) and oversees the PRIT Fund under the terms of PRIM's Operating Trust dated July 15, 1988 and amended on September 22, 1998. The members of the Board, in conjunction with the Executive Director, determine significant policies and decisions concerning the administrative and investment operations of PRIM and the PRIT Fund.

C. Massachusetts Conflict of Interest Law (MGL Chapter 268A)

The Massachusetts Conflict of Interest Law (web link:

https://malegislature.gov/Laws/GeneralLaws/PartIV/TitleI/Chapter268A) applies to PRIM and can have application to persons performing services to PRIM by contract.

D. Massachusetts Open Meeting Law (Chapter 30A, Sections 18-25)

The Massachusetts Open Meeting Law (MGL Chapter 30A, Sections 18-25, web link: https://www.mass.gov/the-open-meeting-law is designed to ensure transparency in public policy deliberations. The Open Meeting Law requires, with some exceptions, that meetings of public bodies such as PRIM be open to the public.

E. PRIM's Advisors

Outside advisors and managers (some of whom are identified in **Exhibit A)** are engaged for their expertise and retained to assist PRIM in the areas of general portfolio strategy and investments and related services. BNY Mellon is the PRIT Fund's custodian and is responsible for providing record-keeping and analytic performance valuations for the PRIT Fund.



F. General Description of PRIM's Assets

Exhibit A includes a description of PRIM's approved long-term target asset allocation.

III. SCOPE OF SERVICES

The purpose of the RFP is to select a general real estate investment advisor, a general timberland investment advisor (a firm may be selected to provide both services) and advisor(s) for multiple real estate investment related projects. The term of the engagements shall be three years; provided, however, that the term may be extended for two additional one-year periods. Firms may submit one proposal to provide one or multiple services. Additional information is available in the sample Investment Advisory Agreement attached as Exhibit E of this RFP. PRIM intends to approve qualified providers based on PRIM's evaluation of the responses in accordance with the Selection Criteria contained in Section VI of this RFP. The selected respondents, upon execution of the contract, shall perform and provide the following, as requested by PRIM, and subject to Massachusetts law and policies:

A. General Real Estate Investment Advisor

Under the direction of the PRIM Board, the Real Estate and Timberland Committee and staff, the general real estate investment advisor will furnish PRIM with the services of qualified, professional staff to provide general real estate investment advisory services to PRIM. Specifically, the general real estate investment advisor services will include, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Strategic Services

- a) Advise and technically support the establishment, review and refinement of asset allocation goals for all or designated portions of the real estate portfolio.
- Develop and implement complementary strategies including developing Requests for Proposals, evaluating proposals received, participating in manager search presentations, and recommending managers.
- c) Annually provide a comprehensive investment strategy update and analysis of the PRIM real estate portfolio. These reports shall include a review of all aspects of PRIM's investment goals and objectives for real estate and the alternatives available for real estate investment, and the results of the current strategy. This comprehensive analysis shall be presented as the Advisor's recommendations concerning the appropriate strategy to be adopted and implemented by the PRIM Board.
- d) Advise on performance benchmarks for PRIT's total real estate portfolio and for each investment strategy within the portfolio.

2. Portfolio Services

 Advise and technically support acquisition and disposition efforts and accomplishments of discretionary separate account managers relative to PRIM's strategies and goals; reviewing manager investment plans on an annual basis relative to PRIM's portfolio strategies and goals, and advising



PRIM's staff about the appropriateness of investment guidelines including property type and regional asset allocation ranges; and communicating with staff and managers concerning the allocation goals and acquisition program results on an ongoing basis.

- b) Perform an ongoing and systematic review of the performance of the portfolio, managers and underlying investments and properties; identifying current or anticipated under-performance within the portfolio and recommending corrective action and assisting in implementation of recommendations.
- c) Review investment manager compliance with contractual investment objectives and guidelines and prepare appropriate reports.
- d) Advise and directly assist on new fund investments, terminations, redemption requests, proposed amendments or other changes in fund agreements or fund objectives, and on any situations in which the judgment or actions of investment managers may compromise PRIM's position as an investor or fiduciary.
- e) On an as needed basis, attend annual meetings of commingled fund investments. Such attendance shall be limited to two such meetings per year if requested to attend a meeting by PRIM.

3. Reporting Services

The advisor will provide written reports on the status of PRIM's real estate portfolio and investment managers on a quarterly basis. Reports should include a summary of the current investment environment, the diversification of PRIM portfolio(s), relevant performance data compared to the applicable benchmark(s) as well as the advisor's in-house manager performance database, and a short (1-2 pages) report on each investment manager including performance data, transaction or organizational updates, and compliance with contractual investment objects and guidelines. The report should be provided to PRIM within 60 days of the end of the quarter.

4. Other Services

- a) Produce and distribute relevant real estate investment materials to PRIM staff, including but not limited to white papers, research and market reports, newsletters, and reviews of funds.
- b) Availability for telephone communication regarding inquiries by the PRIM Board or designated staff.
- c) Support PRIM's search efforts to retain qualified timberland appraisers, assisting in developing RFP's, conducting appraiser searches, evaluation of firms, and recommendations. These types of searches are currently conducted once every three years.
- d) Annually review PRIM's timberland investment policies. A full and complete analysis of existing policies and procedures and new recommended policies will be completed each year. Recommendation of changes as needed.
- e) Provide any separate account or commingled fund return studies as compiled by Advisor when and if available.
- f) Proactively seek to learn and inform PRIM of any actions or situations that might harm PRIM's timberland portfolio or compromise its position as a fiduciary with respect to such investments.
- g) On an as needed basis attend meetings of the PRIM Board and Real Estate and Timberland Committee.



B. Timberland Investment Advisor

Under the direction of the PRIM Board, the Real Estate and Timberland Committee and staff, the timberland investment advisor will furnish PRIM with the services of qualified, professional staff to provide timberland investment advisory services to PRIM. Specifically, the timberland investment advisor's services will include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. Strategic Services

- a) Advise on and technically support the establishment, review and refinement of asset allocation goals for all or designated portions of the timberland portfolio.
- Develop and implement complementary strategies including developing Requests for Proposals, evaluating proposals received, participating in manager search presentations, and recommending managers.
- c) Annually, provide a comprehensive investment strategy update and analysis of the timberland portfolio. These reports shall include a review of all aspects of PRIM's investment goals and objectives for timber and the alternatives available for timber investment, and the results of the current strategy. This comprehensive analysis shall be presented as the Advisor's recommendations concerning the appropriate strategy to be adopted and implemented by the PRIM Board.
- d) Advise on performance benchmarks for the timberland portfolio and for each investment strategy within the portfolio.

2. Portfolio Services

- a) Advise and technically support the acquisition and disposition efforts and accomplishments of discretionary separate account managers relative to PRIM's strategies and goals; reviewing manager investment plans on an annual basis relative to PRIM's portfolio strategies and goals, and advising PRIM's staff about the appropriateness of investment guidelines including property type and regional asset allocation ranges; and communicating with staff and managers concerning the allocation goals and acquisition program results on an ongoing basis.
- b) Perform an ongoing and systematic review of the performance of the portfolio, managers and underlying investments and properties; identifying current or anticipated under-performance within the portfolio and recommending corrective action and assisting in implementation of recommendations.
- c) Review investment manager compliance with contractual investment objectives and guidelines and prepare appropriate reports.

Advise and directly assist on new fund investments, terminations, redemption requests, proposed amendments or other changes in fund agreements or fund objectives, and on any situations in which the judgment or actions of investment managers may compromise PRIM's position as an investor or fiduciary.

3. Reporting Services



The advisor will provide written reports on the status of PRIM's timberland portfolio and investment managers on a quarterly basis. Reports should include a summary of the current investment environment, the diversification of PRIM portfolio(s), relevant performance data compared to the applicable benchmark(s) as well as the advisor's in-house manager performance database, and a short (1-2 pages) report on each investment manager including performance data, transaction or organizational updates, and compliance with contractual investment objects and guidelines. The report should be provided to PRIM within 60 days of the end of the quarter.

4. Other Services

- a) Produce and distribute relevant real estate investment materials to PRIM staff, including but not limited to white papers, research and market reports, newsletters, and reviews of funds.
- b) Availability for telephone communication regarding inquiries by the PRIM Board or designated staff.
- c) Support PRIM's search efforts to retain qualified timberland appraisers, assisting in developing RFP's, conducting appraiser searches, evaluation of firms, and recommendations. These types of searches are currently conducted once every three years.
- d) Annually review PRIM's timberland investment policies. A full and complete analysis of existing policies and procedures and new recommended policies will be completed each year. Recommendation of changes as needed.
- e) Provide any separate account or commingled fund return studies as compiled by Advisor when and if available.
- f) Proactively seek to learn and inform PRIM of any actions or situations that might harm PRIM's timberland portfolio or compromise its position as a fiduciary with respect to such investments.
- g) On an as needed basis attend meetings of the PRIM Board and Real Estate and Timberland Committee.

C. Project Advisor(s)

Under the direction of the PRIM Board, the Real Estate and Timberland Committee and staff, the project advisor will furnish PRIM with the services of qualified, professional staff to be generally available to PRIM and its representatives to provide project-based services to PRIM. Specifically, it is anticipated that the project-based services will be in the areas of:

- a) acquisition underwriting and due diligence.
- b) prospective commingled fund underwriting and due diligence.
- c) asset/property management.
- d) debt and derivative management, financing, valuation, and reporting.
- e) due diligence of and negotiations with joint venture/operating partners.
- f) investment workouts.
- g) property and portfolio level insurance coverage.
- h) other specialized services.

These services will be provided on an as needed basis as requested by PRIM.



IV. RESPONSE SPECIFICATIONS

A. Deadline for Proposals

Proposals, including all attachments, must be received electronically via e-mail to rfpresponses@mapension.com, by 3:00 p.m., EDT, Friday, May 9, 2025 (the "RFP Response Deadline"). The e-mail subject header must be in the following format: "PRIM Investment Advisory Services — Name of Responding Firm." The questions and/or requests made in this RFP should be duplicated in their entirety in the respondent's response, with each question and/or request repeated before the answer or response.

All electronic (email) documents submitted must be <u>40MB or smaller in size</u>. If necessary, the respondent should separate the RFP submission into multiple emails to ensure the 40 MB size requirement is not exceeded. The respondent is responsible for ensuring that a complete electronic response is received prior to the RFP Response Deadline.

Copies of this RFP can be obtained electronically on the PRIM website at www.mapension.com.

B. Required Enclosures and Attachments

Proposals must include the following information:

1. Cover Letter

The response must be accompanied by a cover letter, which will be considered an important part of the response, and which shall be signed by at least one individual authorized to bind the respondent contractually. This cover letter must include: (a) the respondent's name and address; (b) name, phone number, and email address of the person proposed to be the principal contact; (c) the title or position which the signer of the cover letter holds in the firm; and (d) a statement to the effect that the response is a firm and irrevocable offer of the respondent.

2. Responses to Minimum Qualifications (Section V)

The respondent must describe in sufficient detail how the firm meets the Minimum Qualifications.

3. Responses to Questions (Section VIII)

The respondent must provide complete responses to the questions contained within this RFP.

4. Representations and Warranties

The Representations and Warranties contained in Section X hereof, signed by an authorized officer of the respondent, must be included as an attachment to the cover letter referenced in Section IV.B.1 above.

5. Disclosure Statement

Attached to this RFP as **Exhibit B** is a PRIM Disclosure Statement. Each firm submitting a response must complete the PRIM Disclosure Statement and submit it as an attachment to the cover letter referenced in Section IV.B.1 above. **YOU MUST COMPLETE THE PRIM DISCLOSURE STATEMENT OR YOUR SUBMISSION MAY NOT BE CONSIDERED.**



6. Fee Proposal

The fee proposal of the proposing firm must be submitted on the form contained in Section IX hereof (the Fee Proposal).

7. Form ADV

If applicable, the firm must submit to PRIM in electronic form its full Form ADV (Parts I and II).

C. Public Record and Website Posting

In accordance with Chapter 66, Section 10 and Chapter 4, Section 7(26) of the Massachusetts General Laws, upon the expiration of the Response Deadline, Responses to this RFP could be deemed to be public records, and as such could be subject to requests for public disclosure. Additionally, in accordance with Chapter 66, Section 19(b)(v) of the Massachusetts General Laws, the RFP Response that is submitted by the Respondent(s) selected to provide services to PRIM will be posted on PRIM's website (www.mapension.com).

D. Withdrawal/Irrevocability of Responses

Respondents may withdraw and resubmit responses prior to the Response Deadline. No withdrawals or resubmissions will be allowed after the Response Deadline.

E. Waiver/Cure of Minor Informalities, Errors and Omissions

PRIM reserves the right to waive or permit cure of minor informalities, errors or omissions prior to the selection of finalists, and to conduct discussions with any qualified proposers and to take any other measures with respect to this RFP in any manner necessary to serve the best interest of PRIM and its beneficiaries.



F. Communications with PRIM

The Procurement Officer for this RFP is:

Minching Kao
Investment Officer
Pension Reserves Investment Management Board
53 State Street, Suite 600
Boston, Massachusetts 02109
rfpresponses@mapension.com

As of **April 7, 2025**, persons and entities intending to submit a response should not contact any PRIM staff, members of the Real Estate and Timberland Committee or any other PRIM committees, members of the PRIM Board, or employees of the Massachusetts Treasury, other than the Procurement Officer(s) identified above. An exception to this rule applies to persons and entities currently doing business with PRIM, but any such contact made with persons other than the Procurement Officer must be limited to that business and must not relate to this RFP. In addition, respondents should not discuss this RFP with any employee of PRIM's custodian, PRIM's managers, consultants, legal counsel or other PRIM advisors.

FAILURE TO OBSERVE THIS RULE IS GROUNDS FOR DISQUALIFICATION

G. Questions Regarding this RFP

All questions concerning this RFP must be received by the Procurement Officer by **3:00 p.m., EDT, Friday, April 18, 2025** (the "RFP Question Deadline"), in writing, via e-mail sent to rfpresponses@mapension.com. Questions received before the deadline will be answered and circulated by e-mail to all respondents who have proposed a question. Respondents that have requested prior to the deadline, in writing, a copy of the questions and the responses will also receive them. Questions, or requests for a copy of the questions and the responses, that are received after the Question Deadline will not be considered.

H. Incurring Costs

PRIM will not be liable for any costs incurred prior to entering a contract with the selected respondents or proposers.

I. Rejection of Responses; Cancellation

PRIM reserves the right in its sole discretion to reject any response, as well as the right to reject all responses submitted in response to this RFP, and to cancel and rescind the procurement at any time, for any reason or for no reason.

V. MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

A respondent must meet the following minimum qualifications to be given further consideration in PRIM's search. Failure of a respondent to meet the minimum qualifications applicable to the services for which it



is submitting a Proposal will result in the Proposal's rejection. **Please describe how your firm meets the Minimum Qualifications below**:

A. Minimum Qualifications: General Real Estate Advisor

- 1. The firm must provide real estate advisory services to institutional clients, defined as public pension plans, corporate pension plans, endowments, asset management firms, or foundations, with over \$1 billion in assets under management, respectively.
- 2. The firm's total real estate assets under advisement are at least \$1 billion (committed and/or invested).
- 3. The firm must assign at least two senior advisors to PRIM. While one may be designated Primary Advisor for the account, the Second Advisor must be fully capable of handling all aspects of the account in the absence of the Primary Advisor.
- 4. As of January 1, 2025, the Primary Advisor must have at least three- (3) years' experience working on behalf of institutional clients.

B. Minimum Qualifications: Timberland Advisor

- 1. The firm must provide timberland advisory services to institutional clients, defined as public pension plans, corporate pension plans, endowments, asset management firms, or foundations, with over \$1 billion in assets under management, respectively.
- The firm's total timberland assets under advisement are at least \$500 million (committed and/or invested).
- 3. The firm must assign at least two senior advisors to PRIM. While one may be designated Primary Advisor for the account, the Second Advisor must be fully capable of handling all aspects of the account in the absence of the Primary Advisor.
- 4. As of January 1, 2025, the Primary Advisor must have at least three- (3) years' experience working on behalf of institutional clients.

C. Minimum Criteria: Project Advisor

- The firm must have demonstrated experience providing services (as discussed in Section III. C) for institutional clients, defined as public pension plans, corporate pension plans, endowments, asset management firms, or foundations with over \$1 billion in assets under management, respectively, within the past three years.
- 2. The firm must assign a Primary Advisor to PRIM with at least three- (3) years' experience working on behalf of institutional clients, as of January 1, 2025.



VI. SELECTION PROCESS AND SELECTION CRITERIA

Responses will be evaluated by an Evaluation Committee which may include members of the PRIM Board, its advisory committees, and staff (the "Evaluation Committee"). If helpful to PRIM's evaluation, the Evaluation Committee may invite one or more respondents to PRIM for an interview.

The Evaluation Committee will assess the respondent's qualifications based on the following criteria:

- 1. Stability and experience of the firm.
- 2. Stability and experience of the advisors dedicated to PRIM.
- 3. Capabilities of the firm.
- 4. Client references.
- 5. Fee proposal.

The Evaluation Committee will then submit its results and make its recommendation to the PRIM Real Estate and Timberland Committee, which will make a recommendation to the PRIM Board. The Real Estate and Timberland Committee may accept the recommendations of the Evaluation Committee, and/or may recommend other or additional respondent(s) to the PRIM Board. The selections(s) will ultimately be made by the PRIM Board.

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VII. TENTATIVE TIMETABLE

The following is the tentative time schedule for the RFP. All dates are subject to modification by PRIM with notice, and any such modifications will be posted on PRIM's website.

Issuance of RFP: April 7, 2025

RFP Question Deadline: April 18, 2025, 3:00 p.m. ET

RFP Response Deadline: May 9, 2025, 3:00 p.m. ET

Notification of Finalists: On or before June 6, 2025

Evaluation Committee Interviews*: Week of June 16, 2025

Real Estate and Timber Committee Meeting: August 6, 2025

PRIM Board Meeting: August 14, 2025

Projected Commencement Date: January 1, 2026

Any questions should be directed to the Procurement Officer at: rfpresponses@mapension.com.

^{*}Any interviews will be held either at PRIM's offices in Boston, MA or remotely via virtual conference.



VIII. QUESTIONNAIRE

PLEASE PROVIDE MOST UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION AND "AS OF" DATE FOR RESPONSES

Respondent:	
Address:	
Telephone #:	
Email Address:	
Client Contact:	
Signed:	
Name (print):	
Title:	
Date:	



1.	Ple	ase indicate clearly which services your firm is proposing (if other, please specify):
		General Real Estate Advisory Services
		General Timberland Advisory Services
		Project Advisory Services
A.	The	OPE OF SERVICES. e respondent must describe in sufficient detail below how the services set forth in the Scope of vices (Section III) will be provided.
В.	OR	GANIZATION.
	1.	Indicate your firm's fiduciary classification: Bank
		Insurance Company
		Registered Investment Advisor (Investment Advisors Act of 1940)
		Affiliate of Fiduciary
		Name and Classification
		Other (Please explain)
	2.	Firm structure:
		a) What is your firm structure?
		(1) Please describe the business history, location of offices, organizational structure, including number of employees and the make-up of the employees, and ownership of the firm.
		(2) If owned by another firm, what percentage of the parent company's revenue does your firm contribute? Indicate how the percentage of revenue has changed over the life of the arrangement or the last 10 years.
		(3) Identify any affiliated companies, joint ventures, and other entities that contribute in some way to your firm's investment and operational management.
		(4) List all firm owners, whether they are individuals, employees, or partnerships and percentage ownership held by each.
		(5) Provide an organizational chart.



- b) Describe any material developments in your organization (changes in ownership, structure, business model, strategy, etc.) over the past three years in detail.
- c) Are there any structural or financial changes contemplated in the next year (e.g., ownership, merger and acquisitions, products, etc.)? If yes, please explain

3. Regulatory/Legal

- a) During the past five years, has your firm or any of its affiliates, or the owners or employees of any of them, been a subject of any of the following (whether resolved, pending or threatened): (i) any examination (routine or otherwise) by the SEC or any other governmental regulator, agency or self-regulatory body? (ii) Any investigation or proceeding by any governmental regulatory or law enforcement agency, including, but not limited to any SEC or state investigations? (iii) Any litigation or other proceeding alleging fraud, breach of fiduciary duty, bad faith, willful misconduct or breach of any investment advisory, investment management or similar agreement?
 - (1) If the answer to any of the foregoing is "yes", please provide a description of each relevant matter, including dates, parties, nature of the matter and current status.
- b) To the extent not included in your response to the foregoing questions, during the past ten years, has your firm or any of its affiliates, or the owners or employees of any of them, been a subject of any conviction, plea of nolo contendere, judgment, administrative action, consent decree, sanction, license suspension or revocation, damages award, reparations, arbitral award or negotiated settlement in connection with any examination, investigation or litigation?
 - (1) If the answer to the foregoing is "yes", please provide a description of each relevant matter, including dates, parties, nature of the matter and the resulting resolution.
- c) During the past five years, has your firm or any of its affiliates, or the owners or employees of any of them, been a subject of any of the following (whether resolved, pending or threatened): sexual or general harassment, misconduct, or discrimination?
 - (1) If the answer to the foregoing is "yes", please provide a description of each relevant matter, including dates, parties, nature of the matter and the resulting resolution.
- d) During the past five years, has the firm been a party to any litigation alleging fraud, breach of fiduciary duty or other willful misconduct?
 - (1) If the answer to the foregoing is "yes", please provide a description of each relevant matter, including dates, parties, nature of the matter and the resulting resolution.



- 4. Indicate U.S. Dollar amounts of coverage for fidelity bonds, errors and omissions coverage and any other fiduciary coverage, which your firm carries. List the insurance carriers supplying the coverage.
- 5. Describe in detail any potential conflicts of interest your firm may have in providing to PRIM the services described in this RFP. Include potential conflicts posed by any activities of affiliated or parent organizations, brokerage activities, investment banking activities, or any past or current relationships with PRIM Board members, PRIM Committee members and/or PRIM investment staff. Include any other pertinent activities, actions or relationships not specifically outlined in this question. Also disclose any business relationship with PRIM's investment managers and affiliates, which include AEW Capital Management, Invesco Advisors, LaSalle Investment Management, CBRE Global Investors, DivcoWest, Stockbridge, Center Square Investment Management, Campbell Global, and Forest Investment Associates.
- 6. Describe your policies and procedures to prevent possible conflicts of interest with other client interests or which may result from other investment products or services provided by your firm or affiliated organizations.
- 7. Do you have a disaster recovery plan in place should your facilities become inoperative because of fire, earthquake, flood, etc.? Please describe.
- 8. What percentage of your clients utilize investment managers or other service providers from which you receive fees? Describe in detail, including the managers, products and services provided.
- 9. Does your firm manage money for clients? Does your parent or any subsidiary or affiliate of the parent firm manage money for clients? Please describe any circumstances under which your firm receives fees or other compensation from investment managers.
- 10. Is your firm, its parent or any subsidiary or affiliate a broker/dealer? Does your firm trade for client accounts through this broker/dealer? Does your firm ever get paid in "soft dollars"? If so, please describe the details of each such relationship.
- 11. Do you sell information or any other services to investment managers?
- 12. Has your organization contracted with a third-party organization to market and/or develop investment products for institutional, tax-exempt clients over the last three years? If so, how is the third-party organization compensated? Specific to the proposed strategy, what is the arrangement?
- 13. Does your firm have a current SSAE 16 Audit? If so, please provide the latest SSAE 16 Audit results.



C. DIVERSITY, EQUITY, & INCLUSION

- The PRIM Board believes that diversity of thought leads to better decision making. With that in mind, please describe your firm's approach to workplace diversity, equity, and inclusion and how it relates to your business model. Please describe ways your firm seeks out diverse employees, ensures wage-equality within your organization and the diversity of your top management or, if applicable, your board.
- 2. Does your firm have an ethics code and/or code of conduct or explicit sexual harassment policy that covers harassment, discrimination and/or workplace violence? If so, please provide a copy. If not, are you considering the development and implementation of such a code?
- 3. Is your firm compliant with the CFA Institute's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Code (USA and Canada)? If not, please list and describe any other initiatives your organization uses to promote diversity, equity, and inclusion.

https://www.cfainstitute.org/en/ethics-standards/codes/diversity-equity-inclusion

D. STEWARDSHIP AND SUSTAINABILITY

The PRIM Board-approved Stewardship Priorities are as follows:

- Climate Transition Planning Encourage climate-aware strategic plans and business models.
- Fair Pay Drive uptake of equitable and transparent pay practices.
- Sustainable Forestry Support practices that reduce forest loss and promote resilience.
- Transparency Encourage improved disclosure on stewardship priorities.
- 1. Describe your firm's approach, and experience on PRIM's Stewardship Priorities, using examples from external client projects.
- 2. Describe the firm's expertise on these issues is there a dedicated team or oversight function (if applicable, please provide an overview of team, including background and experience and an organizational chart)?
- 3. Is the firm members of any external organizations that are engaged in conducting research or developing standards on MassPRIM's stewardship priorities?
- 4. Do you produce reports for clients that highlight metrics and characteristics for portfolios relating to the stewardship issues identified?



E. GENERAL REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT ADVISORY CAPABILITIES (FOR RESPONSES TO GENERAL REAL ESTATE ADVISORY SERVICES)

1. General

- a) Please provide a detailed organizational chart for your advisory unit.
- b) Identify all principals of the firm that are active in your real estate advisory activities. Include the length of their experience in advising pension funds, any specialty or expertise, and highest educational degree/professional designation attained.
- c) List the names and locations of personnel who would be responsible for the PRIM account (include the Primary Advisor and the Secondary Advisor). Include their biographies, including their titles, functions, length of experience in pension advisory services, other clients for whom such individuals provide primary real estate advisory services, any specialty expertise they possess, and the educational degrees and professional designations they have attained.
- d) Identify and explain the role of other advisory or professional personnel in your advisory functions. Include biographies on those that would provide advisory and research services to PRIM.
- e) Please explain how the team dedicated to the PRIM account would function.
- f) Describe your firm's back-up procedures in the event the key personnel assigned to this account should leave the firm.
- g) Please provide a brief description of your firm's compensation arrangements for senior management including incentives, profit sharing and other bonuses. Does staff participate in equity ownership? What incentives are in place to encourage key professionals to remain with the firm?
- h) What policies are in effect to control workload? Is there a limit on the number of accounts that an advisor may handle? What is the average number of clients per advisor within the real estate advisory unit of your firm? How many clients will the proposed Primary Advisor and Second Advisor have if awarded this contract? Please detail these client relationships.
- i) Detail your experience and expertise with various real estate investment strategies and investment structures e.g. separate accounts or commingled funds. Please comment about the process and resources used to evaluate various real estate investment strategies and rationale for recommending such strategies to clients. Please detail an occurrence when you made a recommendation to a client to implement a new strategy to enhance their program and why.
- j) Provide detail on the professional staff that has left since January 1, 2022.
- k) Explain your firm's philosophy about the role of real estate within a large institutional portfolio.



What does your firm typically recommend for an allocation percentage? Does this involve all real estate, including opportunistic, mortgages, REITs, CMBS, and international?

- I) Describe your view of the current state of the real estate market and its impact on investment strategies.
- m) What is your assessment of PRIM's real estate portfolios and managers?
- n) What improvements would you recommend that PRIM consider?
- o) Detail the process for determining strategic allocation and portfolio construction. Please include a description of the process, key factors, effectiveness of the process, sources of research, etc.
- 2. Investment Policy Guidelines and Risk Management
 - a) Describe the process you would use to work with the PRIM investment staff to review or develop an overall real estate investment policy statement, including goals and objectives, for presentation to and approval by the Real Estate and Timberland Committee and the PRIM Board.
 - b) Describe your methodology for analyzing the current manager structure, including allocations, the mix and type of managers, and the optimal number of managers for PRIM.
 - c) Describe your approach to creating appropriate risk management structures for PRIM.
- 3. Manager Search and Evaluation
 - a) Describe the manager search database you use, including:
 - (1) Whether it is an internal or external database.
 - (2) The size and composition of the database.
 - (3) How often the database is updated.
 - (4) A description of how you research managers who are not included in your database, when asked to do so by a client.
 - b) Regarding your manager search process and ongoing monitoring:
 - (1) What types of quantitative and qualitative factors do you look for in a manager search? What criteria do you use in evaluating managers?
 - (2) How do you verify the validity of the managers' performance, style, etc.?



- (3) How often do you meet with managers? How often do you visit their offices? Please provide a sample manager evaluation report (internal) that was prepared subsequent to due diligence or site visit.
- (4) Provide an example of a report that you have recently presented to a client that provides a recommendation on a potential new advisor and/or investment opportunity.
- (5) Describe the experience and capabilities of your firm in analyzing and monitoring real estate investment managers specializing in: (i) core properties; (ii) non-core properties, or (iii) other strategies.
- (6) Please provide a list of all real estate investment manager searches you have conducted since January 1, 2022. Indicate the type of managers sought and chosen.
- (7) Describe the internal decision-making process for recommending or selecting investment managers. Who has responsibility for making the investment decision? If there is an investment committee, identify the members.
- (8) What fees or other consideration do you receive from managers who wish to be maintained on your database? What fees do you receive from managers for providing quantitative output regarding their performance?
- c) Performance Measurement and Analysis:
 - (1) Describe how your performance measurement reporting process evolves from data supplied by the manager, to the rate of return calculations, to the printing of the final report.
 - (2) Indicate the types of analysis and benchmarking normally provided with your performance measurement packages.
 - (3) Describe your ability to provide customized reports.
 - (4) What quality controls are in effect to assure the accuracy of client reports?
 - (5) Does your process differ from AIMR standards? If so, how?
- d) Research Capabilities:
 - (1) Describe your firm's research capabilities.
 - (2) Describe the type, subject matter and frequency of research provided to clients.
 - (3) Describe your process for monitoring the real estate industry and market affecting institutional investors.



e) Insurance Review Services:

(1) Describe how your firm would conduct an annual review of PRIM's real estate portfolio coverage and your firm's expertise in conducting such a review.

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4. Clients

a) All services

Client Type	Number of Clients	Assets (in \$ thousands)
Public Pension Funds		
Corporate Pension Funds		
Endowments		
Foundations		
Other (Specify)		
Total		

b) Real Estate Services

	Firm wide		Proposed Primary Adviso	
Client Type	Number of Clients	Assets (in \$ thousands)	Number of Clients	Assets (in \$ thousands)
Public Pension Funds:				
Corporate Pension Funds:				
Endowments:				
Foundations:				
Other (Specify)				
Total				

- c) Please provide a current list of your real estate investment clients including name, type of plan, location, contact, telephone number, market value of real estate portfolio, total AUM, number of years the client has retained your firm and the products or services that the client uses.
- d) Please provide details on the number, name(s), contact name(s) and telephone number(s), and asset values of any real estate investment client relationships that were terminated or not renewed since January 1, 2022, with reasons for the termination or non-renewal.
- e) Please provide details on the number, name(s), contact name(s) and telephone number(s), date of hiring, and asset values of any new real estate investment client relationships gained since January 1, 2022.
- f) Please list three (3) references of real estate investment clients. Please include client contact information, length of relationship with your firm and current advisor assigned to the account and level of AUM under advisement.



F. TIMBERLAND INVESTMENT ADVISORY CAPABILITIES (FOR TIMBERLAND ADVISORY SERVICES)

1. General

- a) Please provide a detailed organizational chart for your advisory unit.
- b) Identify all principals of the firm that are active in your timberland advisory activities. Include the length of their experience in advising pension funds, any specialty or expertise, and highest educational degree/professional designation attained.
- c) List the names and locations of personnel who would be responsible for the PRIM account (include the Primary Advisor and the Secondary Advisor). Include their biographies, including their titles, functions, length of experience in pension advisory services, other clients for whom such individuals provide timberland advisory services, any specialty expertise they possess, and the educational degrees and professional designations they have attained.
- d) Identify and explain the role of other advisory or professional personnel in your advisory functions. Include biographies on those that would provide advisory and research services to PRIM.
- e) Please explain how the team dedicated to the PRIM account would function.
- f) Describe your firm's back-up procedures in the event the key personnel assigned to this account should leave the firm.
- g) Please provide a brief description of your firm's compensation arrangements for senior management including incentives, profit sharing and other bonuses. Does staff participate in equity ownership? What incentives are in place to encourage key professionals to remain with the firm?
- h) What policies are in effect to control workload? Is there a limit on the number of accounts that a Advisor may handle? What is the average number of clients per Advisor within the timberland advisory unit of your firm? How many clients will the proposed Primary Advisor and Second Advisor have if awarded this contract? Please detail these client relationships.
- i) Detail your experience and expertise with various timberland investment strategies and investment structures e.g. separate accounts or commingled funds. Please comment about the process and resources used to evaluate various timberland investment strategies and rationale for recommending such strategies to clients. Please detail an occurrence when you made a recommendation to a client to implement a new strategy to enhance their program and why.
- j) Provide detail on the professional staff that has left since January 1, 2022.
- k) Explain your firm's philosophy about the role of timberland within a large institutional portfolio. What does your firm typically recommend for an allocation percentage?



- I) Describe your view of the current state of the timberland market and its impact on investment strategies.
- m) Describe your view of the timberland markets, and the role that you believe timberland investing should play for PRIM.
- n) What is your assessment of PRIM's timberland portfolios and managers?
- o) What improvements would you recommend for PRIM?
- p) Detail the process for determining strategic allocation and portfolio construction. Please include a description of the process, key factors, effectiveness of the process, sources of research, etc.
- 2. Investment Policy Guidelines and Risk Management
 - a) Describe the process you would use to work with the PRIM investment staff to review or develop an overall timberland investment policy statement, including goals and objectives, for presentation to and approval by the Real Estate and Timberland Committee and the PRIM Board.
 - b) Describe your methodology for analyzing the current manager structure, including allocations, the mix and type of managers and the optimal number of managers for PRIM.
 - c) Describe your approach to creating appropriate risk management structures for PRIM.
- 3. Manager Search and Evaluation
 - a) Describe the manager search database you use, including:
 - (1) Whether it is an internal or external database.
 - (2) The size and composition of the database.
 - (3) How often the database is updated.
 - (4) A description of how you research managers who are not included in your database, when asked to do so by a client.
 - b) Regarding your manager search process and ongoing monitoring:
 - (1) Please detail any methods or policies and procedures concerning manager due diligence/evaluations.
 - (2) What types of quantitative and qualitative factors do you look for in a manager search? What criteria do you use in evaluating managers?



- (3) How do you verify the validity of the managers' performance, style, etc.?
- (4) How often do you meet with managers? How often do you visit their offices? Please provide a sample manager evaluation report (internal) that was prepared subsequent to due diligence or site visit.
- (5) Provide an example of a report that you have recently presented to a client that provides a recommendation on a potential new advisor and/or investment opportunity.
- (6) Describe the experience and capabilities of your firm in analyzing and monitoring timberland managers.
- (7) Please provide a list of all timberland investment manager searches you have conducted since January 1, 2022. Indicate the type of managers sought and chosen.
- (8) Describe the internal decision-making process for recommending or selecting investment managers. Who has responsibility for making the investment decision? If there is an investment committee, identify the members.
- (9) What fees or other consideration do you receive from managers who wish to be maintained on your database? What fees do you receive from managers for providing quantitative output regarding their performance?
- c) Performance Measurement and Analysis:
 - (1) Describe how your performance measurement reporting process evolves from data supplied by the manager, to the rate of return calculations, to the printing of the final report.
 - (2) Indicate the types of analysis and benchmarking normally provided with your performance measurement packages.
 - (3) Describe your ability to provide customized reports.
 - (4) What quality controls are in effect to assure the accuracy of client reports?
 - (5) Does your process differ from AIMR standards? If so, how?
- d) Research Capabilities:
 - (1) Describe your firm's research capabilities.
 - (2) Describe the type, subject matter and frequency of research provided to clients.

(3) Describe your process for monitoring the timberland industry and market affecting institutional investors.

4. Clients

a) All services

Client Type	Number of Clients	Assets (in \$ thousands)
Public Pension Funds		
Corporate Pension Funds		
Endowments		
Foundations		
Other (Specify)		
Total		

a) Timberland Advisory Services

	Firm wide		Proposed Primary Advisor	
Client Type	Number of Clients	Assets (in \$ thousands)	Number of Clients	Assets (in \$ thousands)
Public Pension Funds:				
Corporate Pension Funds:				
Endowments:				
Foundations:				
Other (Specify)				
Total				

- b) Please provide a current list of your timberland investment clients including name, type of plan, location, contact, telephone number, market value of timberland portfolio, total AUM, number of years the client has retained your firm and the products or services that the client uses.
- c) Please provide details on the number, name(s), contact name(s) and telephone number(s), and asset values of your timberland investment client relationships that were terminated or not renewed since January 1, 2022, with reasons for the termination or non-renewal.
- d) Please provide details on the number, name(s), contact name(s) and telephone number(s), date of hiring, and asset values of any new timberland investment client relationships gained since January 1, 2022.



e) Please list three (3) references for timberland investment clients. Please include client contact information, length of relationship with your firm and current Advisor assigned to the account and level of AUM under advisement.

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G. PROJECT ADVISORY CAPABILITIES (FOR PROJECT ADVISORY SERVICES)

1. General

- a) List the names and locations of personnel who would be responsible for the PRIM account. Include their biographies, including their titles, functions, length of experience in pension advisory services, other clients for whom such individuals provide primary real estate and/or timberland services, any specialty expertise they possess, and the educational degrees and professional designations they have attained.
- b) Identify and explain the role of other advisory or professional personnel in your advisory functions. Include biographies on those that would provide advisory and research services to PRIM.
- c) Please explain how the team dedicated to the PRIM account would function.
- d) Describe your firm's back-up procedures in the event the key personnel assigned to this account should leave the firm.
- e) Please provide a brief description of your firm's compensation arrangements for senior management including incentives, profit sharing and other bonuses. Does staff participate in equity ownership? What incentives are in place to encourage key professionals to remain with the firm?
- f) What policies are in effect to control workload? Is there a limit on the number of accounts that an Advisor may handle? What is the average number of clients per Advisor within your firm? How many clients will the proposed Primary Advisor have if awarded this contract? Please detail these client relationships.
- g) Detail your experience and expertise with various investment strategies and structures e.g. separate accounts or commingled funds. Please comment about the process and resources used to evaluate various investment strategies and rationale for recommending such strategies to clients. Please detail an occurrence when you made a recommendation to a client to implement a new strategy to enhance their program and why.
- h) Provide detail on the professional staff that has left since January 1, 2022.
- i) Discuss how your firm could assist PRIM in the management of PRIM's portfolios?



- j) Provide examples of services provided to clients since January 1, 2022 that may include:
 - (1) acquisition underwriting, due diligence or other transaction related service,
 - (2) asset/property management related services,
 - (3) debt and derivative management, debt financing, debt valuation and reporting,
 - (4) operating/JV partner due diligence,
 - (5) investment workouts,
 - (6) economic or market research,
 - (7) portfolio reporting,
 - (8) insurance related services, or
 - (9) other services.
- k) List services that you provide to investors that you feel distinguish your firm from your competitors.

2. Clients

a) All Services

Client Type	Number of Clients	All Assets (in \$ thousands)
Public Pension Funds		
Corporate Pension Funds		
Endowments		
Foundations		
Other (Specify)		
Total		

b) Project Services

	Firm wide		Proposed Primary Advisor	
Client Type	Number of Clients	Assets (in \$ thousands)	Number of Clients	Assets (in \$ thousands)
Public Pension Funds				
Corporate Pension Funds				
Endowments				
Foundations				
Other (Specify)				
Total				

- c) Please provide a current list of your investment clients including name, type of plan, location, contact, telephone number, market values of real asset portfolios by type (real estate, timber, agriculture, etc.), total portfolio, number of years the client has retained your firm and the products or services that the client uses.
- d) Please provide details on the number, name(s), contact name(s) and telephone number(s), and asset values of any investment client relationships that were terminated or not renewed since January 1, 2022, with reasons for the termination or non-renewal.
- e) Please provide details on the number, name(s), contact name(s) and telephone number(s), date of hiring, and asset values of any new investment client relationships gained since January 1, 2022.
- f) Please list references for your investment clients. Please include client contact information, length of relationship with your firm and current Advisor assigned to the account and level of AUM under advisement.



IX.	FEE PROPOSAL	
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	ce the advisor(s) are selected, the fee may be negotiated further. In no case will the negotiated fee be the the fee contained in the Proposal.	Эе
A.	General Real Estate Investment Advisory Service Fees	
anı be in p	oposers seeking to provide general real estate investment advisory services must submit an all-in-conual fee for all services as described under the "SCOPE OF SERVICES" (Section III). The Annual Fee shou a fixed fee per year and paid quarterly in arrears. This fee should cover all costs and expenses incurre providing the services listed in this RFP and as further outlined in the Sample Advisory Services Agreemer ase use the following format in your proposal.	lld ed
Fla	t Fees – General Real Estate *	
	All-Inclusive Flat Fee - Year 1 (January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026) \$	
	All-Inclusive Flat Fee - Year 2 (January 1, 2027 to December 31, 2027) \$	
	All-Inclusive Flat Fee - Year 3 (January 1, 2028 to December 31, 2028) \$	
	TOTAL FEES (Years 1-3) \$	
	All-Inclusive Flat Fee – First Extension (January 1, 2029 to December 31, 2029) \$	
	All-Inclusive Flat Fee – Second Extension (January 1, 2030 to December 31, 2030) \$	
	*This proposed fee shall include two general searches during the three-year life of this contract. addition, it shall include one search for an appraiser of the PRIT Fund's real estate portfolio during the term. Additional searches over those set forth in the previous two sentences shall be at the rate of the per search.	٦e



B. Timberland Investment Advisory Service Fees

Proposers seeking to provide timberland investment advisory services must submit an all-in-cost annual fee for all services as described under the "SCOPE OF SERVICES" (Section III). The Annual Fee should be a fixed fee per year and paid quarterly in arrears. This fee should cover all costs and expenses incurred in providing the services listed in this RFP. Please use the following format in your proposal.

Flat Fees -Timberland **

All-Inclusive Flat Fee - Year 1
(January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026) \$
All L. L. El LE V. O
All-Inclusive Flat Fee - Year 2
(January 1, 2027 to December 31, 2027) \$
All-Inclusive Flat Fee - Year 3
(January 1, 2028 to December 31, 2028) \$
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TOTAL FEES (Years 1-3) \$
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All-Inclusive Flat Fee – First Extension
(January 1, 2029 to December 31, 2029)\$
January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025) 5
All-Inclusive Flat Fee – Second Extension
(January 1, 2030 to December 31, 2030) \$

C. Project Advisory Services

Proposers must submit a fee proposal based on the services as described under the "SCOPE OF SERVICES" (Section III). PRIM will entertain fee proposals that are based on an hourly rate basis, fixed rate basis or other structure that is appropriate for the services provided.



X. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

All respondents are required to submit an executed copy of the following Representations and Warranties as an attachment to the cover letter described in Section IV.B.1. of this RFP:

A. Respondent warrants that all the information it provides in the response to this RFP is true and correct and does not omit any material facts or responsive information. B. Respondent warrants that it will not delegate its responsibilities without prior approval from PRIM. C. Respondent warrants that it has not been in bankruptcy and/or receivership. D. Respondent warrants that it has completed, obtained, and performed any and all necessary registrations, filings, approvals, authorizations, consents or examinations required by a government or governmental authority for provision of the proposed services. E. Respondent warrants that it will adhere to its fee proposal outlined in the Fee Proposal of Section IX. F. Respondent warrants that it meets all the Minimum Qualification requirements set forth in Section VI of this RFP. G. Respondent either (Please check the appropriate box): uarrants and agrees, without exception, to all the provisions of PRIM's standard form of Investment Advisory Agreement, including Schedule A thereto, attached to this RFP as Exhibit E; or warrants and agrees to all provisions of PRIM's standard form of Investment Advisory Agreement, including Schedule A thereto, attached to this RFP as Exhibit E, except as specified below: Signature

Title

Print Name



EXHIBITS



EXHIBIT A

PRIM's Strategic Asset Allocation and Service Providers



1. PRIM's Strategic Asset Allocation as of December 31, 2024

Asset Class	Long Term Target Range
Global Equity	31 - 41%
Core Fixed Income	12% - 18%
Value-Added Fixed Income	6% - 12%
Private Equity	13% - 19%
Real Estate	7% - 13%
Timberlands	1% - 7%
Portfolio Completion Strategies	7% - 13%

2. Please go to the link below to access a list of PRIT Fund Service Providers:

https://www.mapension.com/investments/



EXHIBIT B

PRIM Disclosure Statement



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
PENSION RESERVES INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT BOARD

DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

FIR AD	M: DRESS:
pro Inv Mu Firi obl res sho	ms seeking to provide investment management, consulting, custody, recordkeeping, auditing, and other ofessional services (the "engagement") to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Pension Reserves estment Management ("PRIM") Board and/or the Pension Reserves Investment Trust ("PRIT") Funcist complete a disclosure statement providing complete and accurate responses to the questions below ms selected to provide such services to the PRIM Board and/or the PRIT Fund have a continuing igation to update responses to these questions, in writing, immediately upon any change to such ponses. The questions in this Disclosure Statement should be read broadly, and any perceived ambiguity puld be resolved in favor of disclosure. Any questions concerning the disclosures required should be ected to the PRIM Board.
1.	Provide a general description of your firm's organizational structure, identify any managing partner(s) members of the management committee, officers and/or directors, and, for any affiliate entities, the managing partners, officers, and directors (all such individuals or entities hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Firm").
	[Insert response here.]
2.	Identify any relationship of the firm, its joint ventures, consultants, lobbyists, subcontractors or third party contractors that relate in any way to the engagement.
	[Insert response here.]
3.	Aside from the engagement, describe any services provided by the firm to the PRIM Board and/or the PRIT Fund.
	[Insert response here.]

donations provided by the firm to the Office of the State Treasurer and Receiver General or any trust, board, commission or authority of which the State Treasurer and Receiver-General is a member or trustee by virtue of her office. (A list of such entities is attached.)

4. Aside from the services described in response to Question 3, above, describe any services and/or

[Insert response here.]



5.	Aside from the services a	and/or donations	described in	responses to Qu	uestions 3 and 4,	above, describe
	any services provided by	the firm to any o	of the politica	I subdivisions of	f the Commonwe	ealth.

[Insert response here.]

- 6. Did or will the firm provide or share, agree to provide or share, or arrange to provide or share any compensation or benefit, direct or indirect, to any individual or entity for assisting the firm in:
 - a) Obtaining the engagement; or,
 - b) Performing the services required by the engagement.

If the answer to Question 6 is "yes," provide for each the individual or entity

- a) The name and address of such individual or entity;
- b) A description of the assistance provided; and
- c) The compensation or benefit.

[Insert response here.]

- 7. Does the firm have any ongoing relationship, arrangement or agreement with any individual or entity with respect to sharing compensation for services to:
 - a) The PRIM Board and/or the PRIT Fund;
 - b) Any trust, board, commission, or authority of which the Treasurer is a member or trustee by virtue of her office; or
 - c) The Commonwealth of Massachusetts or its political subdivisions?

If the answer to Question 7 is "yes," provide for each such individual or entity

- a) The name and address of such individual or entity;
- b) A description of the relationship, arrangement or agreement; and,
- c) The compensation shared.

[Insert response here.]

Signed under th	e penalties of perjury thisday of _	, 2025
Name:		
	(Print)	
Signature:		
Title:		_



EXHIBIT C

Treasurer's Principal Boards, Commissions and Authorities



TREASURER'S PRINCIPAL BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND AUTHORITIES*

- 1. Advisory Board to the Comptroller M.G.L. c. 7A, § 2
- 2. State Retirement Board M.G.L. c. 10, § 18
- 3. State Lottery Commission M.G.L. c. 10, § 23
- 4. Board of Bank Incorporation M.G.L. c. 26, § 5 (Division of Banks and Loan Agencies)
- 5. Water Pollution Abatement Trust (now known as the Clean Water Trust) M.G.L. c. 29C, § 2
- 6. Pension Reserves Investment Management Board M.G.L. c. 32, § 23(2A)
- 7. Massachusetts Convention Center Authority Chapter 190 of the Acts of 1982 §§ 31-48
- 8. Massachusetts School Building Authority M.G.L. c. 70B, §§ 1A & 3A; see also M.G.L. c. 10, § 35BB
- 9. Teachers' Retirement Board M.G.L. c. 15, § 16
- 10. Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission M.G.L. c. 10, § 70
- 11. Health Care Security Trust M.G.L. c. 29D, § 4
- 12. Commissioners on Fireman's Relief M.G.L. c. 10, § 21
- 13. Economic Empowerment Trust Fund M.G.L. c. 10, §35QQ
- * The above-listed Boards, Commissions or Authorities are any which are a Treasury Department, Division or Affiliated Entity or by statute have a position which may be held by the State Treasurer and Receiver General or their designee.



EXHIBIT D

PRIM Investment Policy

https://www.mapension.com/investments/



EXHIBIT E

PRIM Investment Advisory Agreement (Sample)



INVESTMENT ADVISORY AGREEMENT

(Non-Discretionary)

THIS INVESTMENT ADVISORY AGREEMENT, dated as of [•] ("<u>Agreement</u>"), is made by and between the Pension Reserves Investment Management Board ("<u>PRIM</u>") of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, as trustee of the Pension Reserves Investment Trust Fund ("<u>PRIT</u>") of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and [•] (the "<u>Advisor</u>").

<u>Introduction.</u> Under Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 32, Section 23, PRIM is vested with general supervision of PRIT which is comprised of the funds of various state and municipal employee retirement systems that have been deposited into PRIT for purpose of investment. PRIM is responsible for the administration of PRIT and enters into this Agreement for purposes of appointing the Advisor as investment advisor with respect to certain assets of PRIT pursuant to PRIM's authority under Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 32, Section 23, subdivision (2A), paragraph (e), clause (iii).

- 1. Appointment of the Advisor. PRIM hereby appoints and retains the Advisor, and the Advisor agrees to provide non-discretionary investment advisory services, upon and subject to the terms hereof, beginning at the opening of business on [•], (the "Effective Date") and continuing until this Agreement is terminated in accordance with the terms hereof. The Advisor agrees to provide services in accordance with (a) this Agreement, and (b) the "Scope of Services" set forth in Schedule A hereto (the "Engagement"). The Scope of Services may be modified from time to time by PRIM with the prior written consent of the Advisor. In providing its services, the Advisor shall cooperate with PRIT's custodian, PRIM's outside counsel and other advisors or representatives upon PRIM's reasonable request to the extent that PRIM deems appropriate. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the parties agree that the Advisor shall not be providing legal, tax, or accounting advice as part of the Engagement.
- 2. <u>Personnel</u>. The Advisor shall allocate such personnel and devote such efforts as are necessary for it to carry out its duties under this Agreement. The Advisor shall at all times maintain not less than two individuals experienced in providing investment advisory services to act as primary advisors to the PRIM account (each, a "<u>Primary Advisor</u>"), and shall not change any Primary Advisor without the prior written consent of PRIM. The Advisor shall make such Primary Advisors and other knowledgeable employees available at all reasonable times to discuss the account with PRIM and its designated representatives.

3. Confidentiality.

(a) The Advisor shall maintain in strictest confidence all data provided to or from PRIM or PRIM's service providers in connection with this Agreement, including but not limited to the investment advice and information it furnishes to or receives from PRIM or from PRIT's custodian bank or investment managers (including without limitation the general partners or investment managers of any investment funds in which PRIT invests) in connection with this Agreement and the Engagement; provided, however, that the Advisor shall be permitted to disclose or communicate to a proper party any information received from PRIM or from PRIT's custodian bank or investment managers or developed by the Advisor under the terms of this Agreement, if such disclosure or communication is necessary to carry out the purposes of this Agreement or is required by law. Before such disclosure or communication, the Advisor, unless such disclosure or communication is prohibited by law, shall notify PRIM of the information to be disclosed or



communicated and the party to whom that information shall be disclosed or communicated. The terms of this paragraph shall not be interpreted to prevent the Advisor from providing investment advice to other clients who share comparable investment objectives with PRIM, or to prohibit the Advisor from utilizing the Advisor's investment experience or performance with respect to the Engagement on an undisclosed basis for use in composite performance presentations which do not identify PRIM or PRIT. The Advisor hereby approves of PRIM's publication of periodic reports of the Advisor's investment program and the results of the Engagement, recognizing that such reports may be public records available to the media and the public.

- (b) The Advisor shall not use the name of PRIM or PRIT (or, in each case, derivations thereof or confusingly similar names) or otherwise disclose the existence of this Agreement or the relationship contemplated herein, in any documents, marketing materials or other communications, reports or statements (whether written or oral) without PRIM's prior written consent, except in each case (i) to the extent required by law or (ii) as otherwise reasonably necessary to perform the services hereunder (provided, however, that any disclosure in accordance with this clause (ii) shall only be made subject to the terms of a confidentiality agreement at least as protective of PRIM and PRIT as this Agreement). Before such disclosure, the Advisor, unless prohibited by law, shall notify PRIM of the information to be disclosed and the party to whom that information will be disclosed.
- (c) Upon termination of this Agreement, the Advisor shall promptly return to PRIM all confidential material relating to PRIM or the Engagement and any copies thereof, except that the Advisor may retain copies of such material to the extent required by law. The Advisor's obligations with respect to confidentiality of data received from PRIM and PRIM's service providers shall survive the termination of this Agreement.
- (d) PRIM acknowledges that: (i) the Advisor has represented that public disclosure of Proprietary Information (as defined below) received by PRIM from the Advisor would likely cause substantial harm to the Advisor and the Advisor's business (including the Advisor's competitive position); (ii) the Advisor considers the Proprietary Information to be proprietary and consisting of trade secrets; (iii) the Proprietary Information is intended for the use of the Advisor's clients, and is not intended to be publicly disclosed; and (iv) public disclosure of the Proprietary Information could impair PRIM's ability to benefit from investments made based upon the Proprietary Information and/or result in the Advisor providing (or requesting to provide) less Proprietary Information to PRIM in the future. For purposes of this paragraph, "Proprietary Information" includes investment opportunity reports, research reports, strategic planning analyses, and other material or data, in each case relating to the investment of public trust or retirement funds and identified by the Advisor as proprietary or confidential. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Advisor agrees that in no event shall PRIM, PRIT or any person or entity affiliated therewith, including without limitation, any officer, trustee, director, agent, partner, member, beneficiary, employee or affiliate of PRIM or PRIT (each, a "PRIT Party" and collectively, the "PRIT Parties") be liable to the Advisor or any of its employees, officers, directors, agents, members, partners, shareholders, investors and affiliates for any losses or damages incurred by reason of any public disclosure of Proprietary Information by a PRIT Party.
- (e) The Advisor shall take all measures reasonably necessary to protect the confidentiality of data provided by any PRIT Party or PRIM service provider and shall at all times use, store, transmit, and otherwise process confidential information solely in accordance and consistent with (i) this Agreement; (ii)



the Advisor's privacy, data security, retention, and other data protection and management policies; (iii) applicable industry standards; and (iv) applicable laws concerning data privacy and data protection.

(f) The Advisor shall at all times use, store, transmit, and otherwise process information provided by any PRIT Party in accordance with reasonable technical, administrative, organizational, and physical security standards, including but not limited to any security standards provided for by applicable industry standards, and consistent with the Advisor's own internal information security policies and applicable law, including but not limited to the safeguarding of such data on the Advisor's computers, servers and cloud storage sites. In the event that any data relating to a PRIT Party stored by the Advisor on its computers, servers or cloud storage sites is or is reasonably suspected to have been appropriated, stolen, disclosed to or accessed by a party inappropriately, or compromised for any reason, whether by external or internal means, the Advisor shall, subject to any notification delays required under applicable law, promptly and no later than within twenty-four hours notify PRIM of such known or suspected compromise (a "Data Breach"). In addition, at the Advisor's sole expense, the Advisor shall (i) promptly furnish to PRIM details of the Data Breach; (ii) take all reasonable actions to cooperate with the PRIT Parties in investigating and litigating such a Data Breach against third parties as deemed necessary by any PRIT Party to protect its proprietary rights; (iii) take all reasonable actions to assist any PRIT Party with any notification or other legal requirements stemming from such a Data Breach; (iv) take all reasonable measures to remedy such Data Breach including, without limitation, paying all costs incurred by any PRIT Party to recover funds stolen as a result of such Data Breach, remedy any identity theft, and identify and if reasonably feasible, seek restitution from, the perpetrators; and (v) promptly use reasonable efforts to prevent a recurrence of any such Data Breach.

4. Reports.

(a) Prior to the execution of this Agreement, at the times set forth in Section 4(b), and more frequently upon PRIM's request, the Advisor shall promptly provide a copy of its internal code of ethics to PRIM.

(b) The Advisor shall promptly (but in any event within four (4) business days) notify PRIM via telephone and in writing, of: (i) any change (as the result of a departure or otherwise) in the Advisor's senior executive management, external or internal auditors or other key staff (i.e., lawyers, compliance officers, etc.) or material changes in ownership of the Advisor's organization; (ii) any change in the Primary Advisors, including whether any Primary Advisor ceases to be employed by the Advisor or otherwise ceases to be actively involved in and responsible for the management of the PRIM account; (iii) any material change in the Advisor's business activities or circumstances, including any change having, or potentially having, a material effect on the Advisor's equity capital; (iv) any action taken or omitted to be taken by the Advisor that has resulted or is reasonably likely to result in a breach of, or is otherwise inconsistent with, the Advisor's duties and obligations under this Agreement, including the Engagement; (v) the commencement of any governmental or regulatory investigation, examination or other proceeding directly involving the Advisor, its owners, directors, officers or employees, except such investigations, examinations or other proceedings as are routinely conducted in the ordinary course of the Advisor's business; (vi) the violation by the Advisor of any law or regulation that could lead to the commencement of any investigation, examination or other proceeding required to be reported under clause (v); (vii) the commencement of any lawsuit or other proceeding against the Advisor, its owners, directors, officers or employees, alleging fraud, breach of



fiduciary duty or violations of the securities laws; (viii) any change in the Advisor's internal code of ethics; (ix) the Advisor's receipt of notice from any governmental authority of the Advisor ceasing to have maintained its status as a registered investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended (the "Advisers Act"), or any other registration with a governmental authority or self-regulatory organization with which it is registered; and (x) any change in circumstances that has caused or is reasonably likely to cause any of the Advisor's representations or warranties in this Agreement to cease to be true and correct.

- 5. Fees and Expenses. The Advisor will be entitled to receive from PRIT as complete compensation for services rendered hereunder the fees set forth in Schedule B hereto (the "Fee Schedule"). The Fee Schedule may be modified by mutual agreement of the parties in writing. Such fees will be paid by PRIM at the times and in the manner specified in the Fee Schedule and will be pro-rated from the Effective Date. The Advisor will not be paid or reimbursed for any expenses except to the extent authorized by PRIM in writing. In the event that the Advisor currently or at any time during the term of this Agreement performs services that are similar in all material respects for other clients with respect to a comparable or smaller dollar level of assets at a lower or more favorable fee, the Advisor will promptly notify PRIM of such arrangement and offer PRIM the same arrangement.
- 6. **Services Not Exclusive**. The services of the Advisor and its personnel to be provided under this Agreement are not exclusive, and the Advisor may provide services to other clients and engage in other activities, but the Advisor shall allocate such personnel and other resources, and devote such efforts, as are necessary for it to fully, competently and completely carry out its duties under this Agreement. The Advisor may give advice and take action in the performance of its duties with respect to any of its clients which may differ from the advice given, or the timing or nature of action taken, with respect to PRIT and PRIM, so long as the Advisor adheres to its internal code of ethics and a policy of allocating investment opportunities (including both acquisition and disposition opportunities) to PRIT over a period of time on a fair and equitable basis relative to the Advisor's other clients.
- 7. <u>Certain Representations and Covenants of the Advisor</u>. The Advisor represents, warrants and covenants to PRIM that:
- (a) the Advisor (i) is registered and in good standing as an investment adviser pursuant to the Advisers Act, or is not required to be so registered because it is a bank (as defined in the Advisers Act) or an insurance company or is otherwise exempt from registration and the Advisor shall maintain its status as a registered investment adviser, exempt investment adviser, bank or insurance company (as the case may be) and will deliver documentation of such status annually or more frequently as PRIM may reasonably request, and (ii) has completed, obtained or performed and shall maintain all other registrations, filings, approvals, authorizations, consents or examinations required by any government or governmental authority (including without limitation the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, if applicable) for the performance of the acts contemplated by this Agreement, and will deliver documentation of such compliance annually or more frequently as PRIM may reasonably request;
- (b) the Advisor's statements in its response to PRIM's request for proposals or due diligence questionnaire were complete and correct in all material respects as of the time of such response and remain so as of the date hereof, with the exception of changes arising in the ordinary course of the Advisor's



business, and such statements, subject to changes arising in the ordinary course of the Advisor's business, are incorporated herein by reference as representations, warranties and covenants of the Advisor hereunder;

- (c) the Advisor's performance of its obligation under this Agreement will not constitute a breach or violation of any law, rule or regulation applicable to it, or of its obligations under any other agreement to which it is a party or by which it is bound, and the Advisor is not otherwise in breach or violation of any such law, rule, regulation or agreement;
- (d) without limitation of the foregoing, the Advisor is, and at all times during the term hereof will remain, in compliance with all applicable state, federal and foreign anti-corruption laws, including without limitation, the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, as amended (15 U.S.C. §§ 78dd-1, et seq.) and the Bank Secrecy Act of 1970, as amended (31 U.S.C. 5311, et seq.);
- (e) the Advisor is a "fiduciary" with respect to PRIT and PRIM and owes fiduciary duties to PRIT and PRIM with respect to the Engagement;
- (f) except as previously disclosed by the Advisor to PRIM in writing, during the past five (5) years preceding the date of this Agreement, there have been no actions, suits or arbitrations (in each case resulting in a final judgment, decree or award) or other legal, administrative, regulatory or governmental investigation, proceeding or inquiry (in each case resulting in a settlement or enforcement action or other final action by such legal, administrative, regulatory or governmental authority) against the Advisor or any of the Primary Advisors relating to a violation of any federal, state, or foreign securities, tax, or criminal law, rule, or regulation or a violation of duties (fiduciary or otherwise) owed to investors;
- (g) there is no pending litigation, investigation or proceeding before any arbitrator, court or governmental or regulatory authority or, to the knowledge of the Advisor, threatened by or pending against the Advisor or any of its employees, which reasonably may have an effect on the Advisor's ability to perform under this Agreement;
- (h) the Advisor shall comply with all applicable statutes and regulations in its performance of its duties and obligations under this Agreement;
- (i) the Advisor has all requisite power to carry on its business as it is being conducted and to carry out its duties and obligations hereunder and holds all necessary licenses, registrations, franchises, approvals, authorizations or permits required for its business including performance of its duties and obligations hereunder;
- (j) the Advisor will deliver to PRIM annually the Advisor's audited financial statements (or equivalent documentation) for each year within thirty (30) days of their completion, such statements to be compiled by a firm of national or international standing;
- (k) if the Advisor is required to be registered as an investment adviser under the Advisers Act, the Advisor represents and warrants that is has provided PRIM with a true and complete copy of Parts 1 and 2 of the Advisor's most recent Form ADV, and, to the extent applicable, the Advisor's Disclosure Statement. If the Advisor is required to be registered as an investment adviser under the Advisers Act, it will



prepare a written report in connection with the annual assessment of its policies and procedures ("Compliance Annual Assessment") in accordance with Rule 206(4)-7 of the Advisers Act, and the report, along with any remediation plan, shall be provided to PRIM promptly upon its completion; and

(I) the Advisor has not (i) agreed to pay any placement fee or (ii) entered into any contingent fee or similar relationship with any person not employed by the Advisor to remunerate them as a result of PRIM's entry into this Agreement, and no PRIT Party shall receive any remuneration of any kind or description from the Advisor or its affiliates as a result of PRIM's appointment of the Advisor hereunder, except as otherwise specified herein.

8. Termination.

- (a) The term of this Agreement shall be three (3) years from the Effective Date; provided, however, that the term may be extended twice for an additional period of up to one year by written agreement of the parties at least one hundred and eighty (180) days prior to the expiration of the then current term (for a potential total term of five (5) years). Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Agreement may be terminated by PRIM for any reason upon not less than thirty (30) days' written notice to the Advisor, and by the Advisor for any reason upon not less than one hundred and eighty (180) days' written notice to PRIM. In addition, PRIM may terminate this Agreement immediately upon notice to the Advisor (i) upon any material breach by the Advisor of its obligations hereunder; (ii) if the Advisor files for bankruptcy or state law receivership; (iii) if in the sole judgment of PRIM, the Advisor becomes financially unstable such that it jeopardize the Advisor's ability to perform the services required under this Agreement or creates reputational risk for PRIM; (iv) if the Advisor is the subject of criminal investigation, indictment or conviction, when in PRIM's sole judgment such action jeopardizes the Advisor's ability to perform the services required under this Agreement or creates reputational risk for PRIM; or (v) in the event of any material change in the control of the Advisor or a change in or departure of any Primary Advisor. Any termination of this Agreement shall be without payment of any penalty by PRIM, PRIT or any of their affiliates.
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in the Fee Schedule, a pro rata determination of fees, if appropriate, will be made for any period in which this Agreement has been terminated.
- (c) Upon notice of termination of this Agreement by either party, the Advisor will act in the best interest of PRIM to ensure an orderly and cost-effective transition to a new investment advisor. Any termination will not affect any obligation or liability of either party to each other.
- 9. Fiduciary Status of the Advisor; Standard of Care; Chapter 268A. With respect to the performance of its duties and responsibilities hereunder, the Advisor acknowledges that it is a "fiduciary" within the meaning of Chapter 32 of the Massachusetts General Laws. Without limitation of the foregoing, the Advisor shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations, shall refrain from self-dealing, and discharge its duties hereunder (i) solely in the interest of PRIT; (ii) with the care, skill, prudence and diligence under the circumstances then prevailing that a prudent expert acting in the like capacity and familiar with such matters would use in the conduct of an enterprise of a like character and with like aims; and (iii) with good faith and candor. The Advisor is advised of the existence of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 268A (the Massachusetts "Conflict of Interest Statute") and shall act and perform its duties in good faith with the utmost candor and as otherwise provided by the Conflict of Interest Statute. The Advisor's compliance with



the Conflict of Interest Statute is solely the Advisor's responsibility, and the Advisor shall not contend that its failure to comply with the Conflict of Interest Statute is attributable to the actions of PRIM or PRIT or third parties.

10. Disclosure Statements and Conflicts. Prior to the execution of this Agreement, and annually thereafter, and more frequently upon PRIM'S request, the Advisor will identify and promptly provide a written description to PRIM of all arrangements with third parties and other individuals, entities, brokers or money management firms who have or may receive compensation or share in the payment of fees for services in connection with securing, performing or continuing this Agreement. The Advisor shall not directly or indirectly receive any benefit from recommendations or advice made to PRIM and shall disclose to PRIM any interest of the Advisor (economic or otherwise) which may be enhanced by the recommendations made to PRIM. In any situation in which the interests of PRIM may be in conflict with the interests of the Advisor or with those of other clients of the Advisor, the Advisor shall immediately inform PRIM of these conflicts. By January 1st of each year of this contract, the Advisor shall provide a report of its business relationships with any parties that are to the knowledge of the Advisor PRIM's investment management services providers, custodian banking providers and other service providers. Without limitation of the foregoing, the Advisor shall promptly advise PRIM if any other client of the Advisor or its affiliates is an investor in any existing or proposed investment of PRIM as to which the Advisor is providing advice pursuant to this Agreement. Where the Advisor is participating in a request for proposal process with PRIM, it shall disclose its business relationships with all of the responding firms at the commencement of the process. Further, prior to the execution of this Agreement, upon any material revision thereto, and more frequently upon PRIM'S request, the Advisor will promptly provide a copy of any "soft dollar" arrangements or policies employed by the Advisor.

11. Liability.

- (a) The Advisor shall not be responsible for guaranteeing the financial success of any investment or investment strategy. While the Advisor shall make recommendations to PRIM regarding investments, nothing in this Agreement shall delegate to the Advisor any investment decision, any authority to bind or subject PRIM to any obligations or liabilities, or any of PRIM's duties and responsibilities under applicable law. Nothing herein shall be construed to waive any obligation or liability that the Advisor has under applicable law, including without limitation federal, state or foreign laws.
- (b) The Advisor acknowledges that PRIM and PRIT reserve all immunities, defenses, rights and actions arising out of their status as sovereign entities of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, including those arising pursuant to the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and those arising under the Eleventh Amendment to the United States Constitution. No provision of this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver or limitation of the immunities, defenses, rights or actions described in the previous sentence. Among PRIM and PRIT's sovereign rights are limitations on liability for damages, as well as limitations of the periods to bring legal action, and limitations on the ability to subject PRIM or PRIT to indemnity obligations, require them to waive a jury trial and venue, and become subject to confidentiality requirements (collectively, the "Limitations"). Any terms of this Agreement contrary to the Limitations will not be binding upon PRIM or PRIT, except to the extent authorized by the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

12. Indemnification.



- (a) The Advisor shall fully indemnify and hold harmless the PRIT Parties (the "Indemnitees") from and against any and all claims, losses, liabilities or damages (including reasonable attorneys' fees and other related expenses) arising from or in connection with the Advisor's Malfeasance. As used herein, "Malfeasance" means (and shall include) the Advisor's fraud, bad faith, intentional misconduct, negligence and/or breach of this Agreement or applicable law.
- (b) In the event that any Indemnitee is named as a defendant in a lawsuit or arbitration proceeding which arguably, arises out of, results from, or is attributable to the Advisor's Malfeasance, upon the Advisor's receipt of reasonable documentation of the Indemnitee's monthly legal and other expenses to defend such lawsuit or proceeding, the Advisor shall promptly fully reimburse the Indemnitee for such fees and expenses on a monthly basis (the "Indemnity Payments") until such time as a determination is entered by the court or arbitrator presiding over such lawsuit or arbitration proceeding finding that (x) the Indemnitee has not committed Malfeasance, in which case the Indemnitee shall retain all Indemnity Payments, or (y) all or part of the losses or damages suffered by the Indemnitee are the result of an Indemnitee's Malfeasance, at which point the Indemnitee shall refund to the Advisor that portion of its or his/her Indemnity Payments that is reasonably allocable to the defense of those claims with respect to which such Indemnitee has been found to have caused losses or damages by its or his/her Malfeasance. The provisions of this section shall survive termination of this Agreement.

13. Insurance.

- (a) The Advisor shall carry, at all times and with companies which are rated by A.M. Best Company with at least an A minus rating, (i) professional errors and omissions liability insurance with a combined single limit of not less than ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) per claim and twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) in the aggregate annually and (ii) cybersecurity and data breach coverage with a combined single limit of at least five million dollars (\$5,000,000) per claim and ten million (\$10,000,000) in the aggregate annually. Any other coverage available to PRIM or PRIT shall apply on an excess basis. The Advisor agrees that the Advisor, the Advisor's insurer(s) and anyone claiming by, through or on the Advisor's behalf shall have no claim, right of action or right of subrogation against PRIM or PRIT based on any loss or liability insured against under the foregoing insurance.
- (b) The Advisor (i) agrees to promptly furnish to PRIM, upon written request from PRIM, certificates of insurance evidencing the specified coverages (including the identity of the insurer(s), the policy number, the limit of liability, the retention or deductible and the period of the policy) and (ii) agrees it will not voluntarily materially change (other than to increase the level of coverage) or terminate any of such coverages without at least 30 days' prior written notice to PRIM. The Advisor further agrees to notify PRIM as soon as possible and in any event within five (5) business days of when the Advisor receives notice of any material change to or termination of the specified coverages.
- 14. <u>Authority</u>. Each of the parties to this Agreement represents that it is duly authorized and empowered to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement, that such action does not materially conflict with or violate any provision of law, rule or regulation, contract, deed of trust, or other instrument to which it is a party or to which any of its property is subject, and that this Agreement is a valid and binding obligation, enforceable against such party in accordance with its terms.



- 15. **Form ADV**. If the Advisor is a registered investment adviser under the Advisers Act, PRIM acknowledges receipt of Parts 1 and 2 of the Advisor's Form ADV, and the Advisor's Disclosure Statement, as required by Rule 204-3 of the Advisers Act, not less than 48 hours prior to the date of execution of this Agreement.
- 16. <u>Independent Contractor</u>. For all purposes of this Agreement, the Advisor shall be deemed to be an independent contractor and, except as otherwise expressly provided herein, shall have no authority to act for or represent PRIM or PRIT or, except as contemplated hereunder, otherwise be deemed an agent of any of them.
- 17. <u>Communication</u>. Any approvals, instructions, directions, notices or other communications pursuant to this Agreement shall be mailed or delivered:
 - a) to PRIM at:

Pension Reserves Investment Management Board 53 State St., Suite 600 Boston, Massachusetts 02109 Attention: Michael G. Trotsky, CFA, Executive Director [email]

b) to the Advisor at:

[ADVISOR]	
[ADDRESS]	
Attention: [
[email]	

Either the Advisor or PRIM may change its email address or mailing address for notices or other communications by written notice to the other party stating the email address or new mailing address. Notices from either party to the other will be effective when received by the addressee.

18. <u>Headings; Schedules.</u> Headings are for convenience only, and the text of this Agreement shall govern the rights and obligations of the parties. Each of the Schedules hereto is incorporated herein by reference. Capitalized terms used in the Schedules, unless otherwise defined therein, have the same respective meanings as in this Agreement.

19. Disputed Matters.

(a) With respect to any controversy or dispute related to or arising out of this Agreement, interpretation of any of the provisions hereof, or the actions of the Advisor or PRIM hereunder, each of the parties consents to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of all of the federal and state courts in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, agrees that venue with respect to any action in such Commonwealth shall lie exclusively in Suffolk County, Massachusetts, and waives any defense of *forum non conveniens*. The prevailing party in any litigation involving this Agreement shall be entitled to an award against the non-prevailing party of the



prevailing party's reasonable attorneys' fees and costs and expenses of litigation, with such an award to be made by the court and not a jury.

- (b) At the sole election of PRIM, any controversy or dispute between the parties shall be submitted to arbitration before the American Arbitration Association under the Commercial Arbitration Rules then employed by said Association, such arbitration to be held in Boston, Massachusetts, and judgment upon any award thus obtained may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof. In any such arbitration, up to entry of the arbitrator or arbitration panel's final determination on the merits, each party to the arbitration shall bear its own expenses, including expenses of attorneys, financial experts and other witnesses, and any arbitration fees and expenses of the arbitrators shall be divided equally between the disputing parties. Following entry of the arbitrator's or arbitration panel's final determination on the merits, the prevailing party to such arbitration shall be entitled to an award against the non-prevailing party of the prevailing party's reasonable attorneys' fees and costs and expenses of litigation, with such an award to be made by the arbitrator or arbitration panel.
- (c) Service of process on either party shall be deemed effective if made by registered mail or by hand to the addresses listed for the giving of written notice in Section 17 except that in the event that the Advisor is an entity rather than an individual and/or is domiciled outside the United States, the Advisor shall designate, and provide notice in writing to PRIM, prior to the execution of this Agreement, a person to serve as its agent for service of process in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Such agent for service of process may be changed only by prior written notice to PRIM designating a new agent for service of process in the United States.
- 20. <u>Assignment; Amendment</u>. The Advisor shall not assign this Agreement (including, without limitation, any "assignment" within the meaning of the Advisers Act) without the prior written consent of PRIM, which consent may be exercised by PRIM in its sole and absolute discretion. This Agreement constitutes the entire Agreement of the parties with respect to its subject matter and may only be amended by a written amendment signed by the authorized representatives of both parties.
- 21. <u>Massachusetts Law</u>. This Agreement shall be considered to be an instrument made under seal in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and it shall be construed and the rights and obligations of the parties determined in accordance with the laws of said Commonwealth, without giving effect to conflicts of laws principles.

22. **General.**

- (a) Only the authorized representatives of the parties hereto may waive the terms of this Agreement and any such waiver shall be in writing. If either party fails to enforce any terms of this Agreement, failure to enforce on that occasion shall not prevent enforcement on any other occasion.
- (b) All rights and remedies conferred by this Agreement, by any other instrument, or by law are cumulative and may be exercised either singularly or concurrently. If any provision of this Agreement is held invalid by any law or regulation of any government or by any court, such invalidity shall not affect the enforceability of any other provision hereof. The Advisor's obligations with respect to confidentiality of data received from PRIM or PRIM's service providers shall survive the termination of this Agreement.



(c) This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements between the parties hereto relating to the matters contained herein, except with respect to obligations thereunder that accrued prior to the date hereof.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Advisor and PRIM have executed this Agreement as of the date first above written.

BOARD

BY: ______ Michael G. Trotsky, CFA Executive Director & Chief Investment Officer Date Signed______ [ADVISOR] BY: ______ Print Name: Title: Date Signed______

PENSION RESERVES INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT



Schedule A: Scope of Services [Advisor]

This Schedule A is an integral part of that certain Investment Advisory Agreement (the "Agreement") dated [-], 202[-] by and between the Pension Reserves Investment Management Board ("PRIM") of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, as trustee of the Pension Reserves Investment Trust Fund ("PRIT") of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and [-], a [corporation, LLC or LP] formed under the laws of [-] (the "Advisor"). Except as provided in this Schedule A, all defined words in this Schedule A shall have the meanings assigned them in the Agreement.

[Specific Scope of Services will be customized with Advisor]



Schedule B: Fee Schedule [Advisor]

This Schedule B is an integral part of that certain Investment Advisory Agreement (the "Agreement") dated [•], 202[•] by and between the Pension Reserves Investment Management Board ("PRIM") of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, as trustee of the Pension Reserves Investment Trust Fund ("PRIT") of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and [•], a [corporation, LLC or LP] formed under the laws of [•] (the "Advisor"). Except as provided in this Schedule B, all defined words in this Schedule B shall have the meanings assigned them in the Agreement.

[Specific Fee Schedule will be customized with Advisor]



EXHIBIT F

Real Estate and Timberland Portfolio Information



1. PRIM's Real Estate Allocation (\$ amounts in thousands)

The real estate portfolio is designed to provide stable income returns, low risk, and added diversification. PRIM allocates its real estate investments in three categories: Core; Non-Core; and Public Real Estate Securities. The mid-range allocation to real estate is 10%. Each strategy within the real estate portfolio is measured against a relevant benchmark. The private real estate portfolio is benchmarked against NCREIF NFI ODCE, and its managers are benchmarked against the NCREIF Property Index and the public real estate securities (REITs) mandates are benchmarked against the FTSE NAREIT Equity REITS Index. The benchmark for the total real estate portfolio is calculated by applying the investment performance of the sub asset class benchmarks to the sub asset class weights within the total real estate portfolio. These weights are based on the beginning adjusted monthly market value of each sub asset.

Summary of Real Estate Portfolio Structure and Allocation:

Total Real Estate Allocation Summary as of 12/31/2024				
NAV\$ NAV\$				
Total Real Estate	\$9,795,900			
Private Real Estate	\$8,930,309	91%		
Core (Separate Accounts)	\$8,383,428	86%		
Non-Core (Separate Accounts)	\$92,174	1%		
Non-Core (Closed-End Funds and Co-investments)	\$454,707	5%		
Real Estate Emerging-Diverse Manager Program	\$86,130	1%		
Public Real Estate (REITs)	\$779,461	8%		

Total Real Estate Summary as of 12/31/2024

Private Real Estate (GAV)	\$10,812,814
Unsecured Debt (Notional)	\$1,100,000
Secured Debt (Notional)	\$782,505
Private Real Estate (NAV)	\$8,930,309
Real Estate Emerging-Diverse Manager Program	\$86,130
Public Real Estate (REITs)	\$779,461
Total Real Estate NAV	\$9,795,900



The PRIM Board desires its real estate portfolio to be diversified by investment in different property types, in a variety of geographic locations, and with different managers. The diversification for the private real estate allocation (excluding closed-end funds) are as follows:

Property Type Diversification - Private Real Estate

Property Type	GAV %	# of Assets
Office	16.1%	17
Retail	9.0%	16
Industrial	38.0%	52
Apartments	31.5%	33
Other	5.5%	5

Region Diversification - Private Real Estate

Region	GAV %	# of Assets			
Northeast	16.3%	13			
Mideast	10.8%	15			
Southeast	19.8%	29			
Southwest	8.7%	10			
Mountain	7.2%	8			
Pacific	32.4%	38			
West No. Central	1.2%	3			
East No. Central	3.5%	7			



MSA Diversification - Private Real Estate

MSA	PRIM Gross Asset Value %	# of Assets
Riverside - Ontario	9.5%	10
Miami / Fort Lauderdale / West Palm	9.1%	10
New York / North NJ / Newark	8.2%	7
Dallas Ft. Worth	7.6%	9
Boston/Cambridge	6.8%	4
Los Angeles / Anaheim	6.7%	11
Atlanta	5.5%	11
Washington DC	5.4%	7
San Diego	4.9%	5
San Jose	4.8%	4
Denver	3.7%	4
Seattle / Tacoma	3.5%	3
Chicago	3.5%	7
Phoenix - Mesa	2.6%	3
Charlotte	2.5%	4
Portland	2.4%	3
Philadelphia	2.1%	2
Tampa	1.8%	2
Nashville	1.6%	3
Austin	1.6%	2
Charleston	1.3%	2
Raleigh/Durham/Chapel Hill	1.2%	2
Minneapolis	1.2%	3
San Francisco	1.0%	2
Las Vegas	0.9%	1
Baltimore	0.5%	1
Orlando	0.1%	1
Houston	0.0%	0
Savannah	0.0%	0
Jacksonville	0.0%	0



Manager Diversification - Private Real Estate

Manager	Equity Value	Manager %	# of Assets
AEW	\$2,533,622	\$2,533,622 27.2%	
CBRE	\$836,326	\$836,326 9.0%	
DivcoWest	\$123,394	1.3%	1
Invesco	\$2,463,555	26.4%	28
LaSalle	\$2,261,123	24.2%	29
PRIT Core Realty	\$287,032	3.1%	4
Stockbridge	\$821,353	8.8%	11

The PRIM Board has elected to invest in publicly traded real estate securities including Real Estate Investment Trusts ("REIT's"), real estate operating companies ("REOCs") and real estate development companies. An allocation to public real estate securities has provided exposure to certain property types that are difficult to access through private markets, including regional malls, hotels, student housing, and storage. The public real estate securities (REIT's) allocation is as follows:

Manager	AUM	% of Total REITs	% of Total Real Estate AUM	Strategy	Benchmark
Center Square Investment Management	\$779,111	100.0%	0.7%	U.S Only	FTSE Nareit Equity REITS

Through the U.S. REIT investment management services search, the PRIM Board has approved an allocation of \$150 million each to PGIM Real Estate and DWS for the U.S. REIT equity mandate. Funding dates are yet to be determined.

2. PRIM's Timberland Allocation (\$ amounts in thousands)

The timberland portfolio provides the PRIT Fund with diversification and inflation hedging benefits that enhance the risk/return profile of PRIM's portfolio. The mid-range allocation to timberland is 4%. The leverage is permitted up to 20% of the total timberland portfolio. The timberland portfolio, and its managers, are benchmarked against the NCREIF Timberland Index. PRIM targets portfolio exposure that is at least 70% in the US and no more than 30% outside of the US.

The timberland portfolio is designed to be diversified by geography, age class, product category, end-market, wood type, and investment manager. A summary of the portfolio diversification are as follows:



NCREIF Region Diversification as of 12/31/2024

Region	Equity Value	Equity Value %	# of Assets	Acres
U.S. Northeast	\$84,684	2.7%	1	43,446
U.S. Northwest	\$998,196	32.0%	7	215,253
U.S. South	\$1,423,891	45.6%	14	710,393
International	\$613,077	19.7%	2	136,817

State / Region Diversification as of 12/31/2024

State / Region	Equity Value	Equity Value %	# of Assets	Acres
AR	\$121,490	3.9%	1	63,830
FL	\$155,703	5.0%	1	98,772
LA	\$183,389	5.9%	2	87,541
PA	\$84,684	2.7%	1	43,446
MS	\$218,619	7.0%	2	112,022
SC	\$335,921	10.8%	3	149,795
GA	\$68,001	2.2%	1	18,451
NC	\$33,539	1.1%	1	36,644
TX	\$307,228	9.8%	3	143,338
OR	\$339,819	10.9%	2	70,045
WA	\$658,376	21.1%	5	145,208
AUS	\$398,866	12.8%	1	73,643
NZ	\$214,211	6.9%	1	63,174

NCREIF Property Type Diversification as of 12/31/2024

Property Type	Equity Value	Equity Value %	# of Assets	Acres
Hardwood	\$84,684	2.7%	1	43,446
Softwood	\$3,035,163	97.3%	23	1,062,462

Manager Diversification as of 12/31/2024

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Manager	Equity Value	Equity Value %	# of Assets	Acres
FIA	\$1,508,575	48.4%	15	753,839
TCG	\$1,611,273	51.6%	9	352,070