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Investment Authority for the Statewide Volunteer Firefighters Fund

The assets of the Public Employee Retirement Association's Statewide Volunteer Firefighters Fund are invested in the Volunteer Firefighter Account within the Supplemental Investment Fund which is administered under the direction and authority of the Minnesota State Board of Investment (SBI) in accordance with Minnesota Statues, Chapter 11A and 353G. The supplemental Investment Fund is an investment pool that includes retirement assets of a variety of the state and local government retirement plans including the Statewide Volunteer Firefighters Fund. For more information on the Supplemental Investment Fund structure and management, see the SBI's annual report available at http://mn.gov/sbi/.

Investment Policy

The SBI includes Minnesota's Governor, State Auditor, Secretary of State, and Attorney General. The Minnesota Legislature has established a 17-member Investment Advisory Council (IAC) to advise the SBI and its staff on Investment-related matters. Investment policy states that the SBI will operate within investment practices of the prudent person. The SBI is to "exercise that degree of judgment and care, under circumstances then prevailing, which persons of prudence, discretion, and intelligence exercise in the management of their own affairs, not for speculation but for investment, considering the probable income to be derived therefrom."

The Volunteer Firefighter Account investments include a balanced portfolio of U.S. and international common stocks, fixed income securities, and cash. The long-term target asset allocation of the Volunteer Firefighter Account is as follows:

Asset Class	Target Allocation
Domestic Stocks	35%
International Stocks	15%
Bonds	45%
Cash	5%

Statewide Volunteer Firefighters Fund Assets Under Management

The SBI has prepared the Schedule of Investments by Employer for the Statewide Volunteer Firefighters Fund as of December 31, 2019, and takes responsibility for the accuracy of the investment amounts presented.

Annual Audit

Each year a financial and compliance audit of the SBI is performed by the Minnesota Office of the Legislative Auditor as part of its audit of the State of Minnesota's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report as of and for the year ended June 30. A copy of the auditor's conclusions for the year ended June 30, 2019 is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Mansco Perry III

Executive Director and Chief Investment Officer

January 14, 2020

Plan Name	Market Value
Aitkin Fire Relief	1,363,179.38
Alaska Fire	188,368.89
Albert Lea Township Relief Association	467,349.29
Alborn Fire	182,698.16
Alden (City of)	254,020.25
Ashby Fire	578,920.02
Aurora Fire	309,001.25
Barnum Fire	445,269.49
Barrett Fire	226,675.32
Belview	287,260.75
Benson Fire	517,623.38
Biwabik Fire Relief Association	337,564.29
Biwabik Township	284,427.52
Blomkest Fire	280,735.58
Brandon VFD	400,043.76
Breitung Township VFD	409,937.54
Bricelyn Fire	508,064.50
Brimson Firefighters	141,345.30
Brook Park	300,790.21
Browerville Relief Association	326,736.77
Brownsville Fire Relief	290,986.58
Buyck VFD	143,689.04
Cambridge Fire Relief	1,125,386.01
Canby Fire	661,820.19
Canton Fire Relief Association	90,624.93
Carsonville Fire	324,307.90
Center City Fire	498,432.20
Central Lakes VFD	83,031.48
Chatfield Fire	494,381.56
Clarks Grove	226,237.01
Clifton Relief Association	601,399.00
Colvill Area VFD	185,051.50
Colvin Volunteer Firefighters	120,371.98
Cosmos Fire Department Relief Association	391,794.68
Cottage Grove Fire	3,207,148.74
Cotton Firefighters Relief Association	354,157.24
Cottonwood Firemen Relief Association	579,079.94

Plan Name	Market Value
Crane Lake VFD	210,987.52
Crookston Firefighters' Relief Association	977,493.94
Culver	132,724.61
Dalbo Fire Dept Relief Association	503,912.03
De Graff	81,738.94
Delavan Fire	264,794.30
Dent Firefighters Relief Association	404,509.98
Dunnell Lake Fremont Fire Relief	165,930.25
Eagle's Nest Fire	53,992.20
Echo Firemens Relief Association	352,449.13
Elbow Tulaby Lakes	183,973.73
Elgin Fire	430,461.81
Ellsburg Fire	149,916.90
Ellsworth Relief Association	271,695.69
Elmore Fire	331,816.47
Ely Fire	617,136.38
Embarrass VFD	319,324.30
Emmons (City of)	514,544.76
Evergreen Fire	59,973.23
Fairfax Fire	483,555.83
Federal Dam Fire Relief	183,010.60
Forada Fire	678,806.90
Foxhome Fire Department	10,563.38
Fredenberg Fire	332,163.03
French Township Firefighters' Relief Association	195,488.37
Frost Fire	260,291.57
Garvin Fire Dept Relief Association	0.00
Geneva Fire Relief Association	300,894.65
Gilbert Fire Dept Relief Association	297,412.93
Gnesen Volunteer Fire Relief	378,986.00
Goodview Fire Relief	525,277.72
Grand Lake Volunteer Fire Dept. R.A.	587,837.76
Grand Marais (City of)	549,084.40
Granite Falls Fireman's Relief Assoc.	648,105.42
Greenwood Fire	713,973.34
Hamburg Fire Department Relief Association	480,044.24
Hardwick Fire	225,787.93

Plan Name	Market Value
Harris Firemens Relief Association	168,910.43
Hayfield Fire Relief Association	675,743.84
Henning Fire	494,585.56
Hermantown Firefighters' Relief Association	1,929,184.83
Hewitt Fire	185,837.64
Hill City	304,196.02
Hills Fire Relief	296,872.25
Hinckley Fire	611,008.07
Hitterdal Volunteer Firefighters' Relief Association	316,158.25
Hollandale Fire	158,443.24
Houston Fire	591,292.14
HOVLAND AREA FIREFIGHTERS RELIEF ASSOC	242,191.44
Hoyt Lakes	383,747.37
INDUSTRIAL FIRE FIGHTERS RELIEF ASSOC	470,012.59
International Falls Relief Association	968,174.52
Isanti	2,757,401.27
Kelliher Fire	281,946.63
Kettle River Fire	158,978.96
Kiester Fire	220,068.98
Lake Bronson Fire	266,212.94
Lake Kabetogama Fire Relief	288,089.86
Lakeland VFD	460,221.44
Lakewood Volunteer Fire Department Relief Association	386,029.00
Lancaster Fire Relief Association	197,092.62
Le Sueur Fire Relief Association	1,264,877.88
Leaf Valley Fire	348,890.14
Lester Prairie VFD	534,716.68
Lexington (City of)	757,779.99
Lino Lakes Fire Relief	588,318.60
Linwood Fire	833,619.15
Lutsen Township	327,502.41
Lynd Firemen's Relief Association	125,154.28
Mahtomedi Fire	2,015,084.42
Mahtowa Fire Relief Assoc	317,091.55
Makinen Vol Fire Dept	80,857.66
Manchester	250,067.08
MAYER FIRE DEPARTMENT RELIEF ASSOC	885,737.88

Plan Name	Market Value
McGregor Fire Relief	1,019,454.66
McKinley Fire	145,038.83
Melrose Fire Relief Association	697,246.84
Middle River Fire Relief	228,473.41
Milaca Firefighters Relief Association	816,759.16
Miltona Fire Relief	328,909.90
Minnesota City Volunteer Fire Department Retirement Plan	16,913.36
Montrose	1,145,360.12
Mountain Iron FRA	438,990.89
Newfolden Fire Department Relief Association	203,651.18
Normanna VFD	114,872.95
North Star Fire	130,442.14
Northeast Sherburne Fire Rescue (Baldwin Township)	689,447.29
Northhome Fire	138,773.75
Northland Fire Relief	108,595.13
NORWOOD YOUNG AMERICA FIREFIGHTERS RELIEF ASSN	770,000.53
Oak Grove Fire	1,822,988.57
Oakdale Fire	3,601,728.44
Ogema Area Firemen Association	18,867.91
Ogilvie VFD	371,266.97
OSAKIS FIREMEN'S RELIEF ASSOC	1,097,970.53
Ottertail Fire	662,271.24
Palisade	301,687.83
Palo Regional Fire/Town of White	408,303.81
Parkers Prarie Fire	535,509.90
Pennock Fire	462,033.02
Pequaywan Lake Fire	137,759.31
Pickwick Fire	40,691.61
Pike-Sandy-Britt Volunteer Fire Relief Association	436,124.56
Plato Fire Relief	440,434.46
Porter Fire	684,018.34
Princeton Fire Relief Association	1,699,977.02
Raymond Volunteer Fire	451,946.72
Remer Fire	388,922.95
RICE LAKE FIREMENS RELIEF ASSOC	553,281.83
Russell Fire Relief Association	243,666.50
Sabin Elmwood Fire Relief	437,461.03

Plan Name	Market Value
Sacred Heart Fire	185,462.86
Saint Francis Fire Relief Association	932,262.79
Saint Leo Fire Relief	261,263.55
Saint Paul Park Fire Relief Association	938,717.06
Scandia (City of)	752,345.27
Scandia Valley Fire	480,532.55
Schroeder Fire	240,949.98
Shafer Volunteer Firemens Benefit Association	315,446.47
SHEVLIN FIREMEN'S RELIEF ASSN	388,079.17
Silver Lake	368,527.61
Solway Fire(Cloquet)	338,983.50
Solway Firefighters(* Main)	180,436.73
Spring Grove Fire Dept. Relief A	286,606.82
Spring Lake Park	18,693,254.38
St Anthony Fire Department Relief Association	994,272.90
Stephen Fire	394,328.09
Sunburg VFD	290,860.53
Toivola Volunteer Fire Dept Relief Assoc	170,313.43
Tower Fire	269,131.37
Twin Valley	364,014.66
Ulen Volunteer Fire	348,294.12
Vadnais Heights Fire	1,715,048.70
Vermilion Lake Fire	298,630.96
Vesta Firemen's Relief Association	190,001.15
Victoria Fire Relief Assoc	1,400,173.43
Vining Fire Relief Association	161,268.62
Waconia Fire	1,654,288.91
Waite Park FRA	985,703.28
Wanda Firemen Relief Association	146,000.85
Warba - Feeley - Sago	285,097.01
Watertown Fire Relief Association	1,300,487.26
Wells Fire Relief Association	612,998.18
White Bear Lake	6,949,658.08
Willmar Fire	1,692,327.45
Winnebago Fire	650,346.72
Winthrop Fire Department Relief Association	676,747.40
Wolf Lake Fire	304,402.79

Plan Name	Market Value
Wood Lake Fire Relief Association	243,042.80
Wrenshall Fire Relief	348,686.84
Wright Fire	248,766.80

January 2, 2020

Mr. Mansco Perry III, Executive Director and Chief Investment Officer Minnesota State Board of Investment 60 Empire Drive, Suite 355 Saint Paul, MN 55103

Dear Mr. Perry:

The Office of the Legislative Auditor has completed its audit of certain financial activities at the Minnesota State Board of Investment. This work supports our audit of the State of Minnesota's financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2019. The primary objective of the audit is to render an opinion on the State of Minnesota's financial statements, which will be included in the *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*, prepared by the Department of Management and Budget. The work in your department also supports our audit opinions on the financial statements of the three state retirement systems: Minnesota State Retirement System, Public Employees Retirement Association, and Teachers Retirement Association. This is not a comprehensive audit of the Minnesota State Board of Investment.

In planning and performing this audit, we considered SBI's internal control system to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate. We gained an understanding, but did not test SBI's internal controls. As part of this audit, we also reviewed certain investment related financial activity presented in the financial statements and notes to the financial statements for the State of Minnesota and the three state retirement systems. This activity includes, but is not limited to, investment balances, investment fees, and securities lending.

On December 13, 2019, we issued an unqualified (clean) opinion on the State of Minnesota's *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report* for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019. In addition, we issued an unqualified (clean) opinion on the financial statements of each of the three state retirement systems. We also provided the state and three state retirement systems with a report on the Internal Control over Financial Reporting. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, we had no written findings or recommendations directed toward the Minnesota State Board of Investment in the report to the Department of Management and Budget and to the pension plans.

We appreciate the cooperation and assistance provided by the staff and administration of the State Board of Investment throughout our audit process.

Sincerely,

Tracy Gebhard, CPA Audit Director

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Cc: Paul Anderson, Director Financial Services & Operations