

Response to Questions on Custodian RFP

1. In regards to Securities Lending, will the Retirement Board of Allegheny County (RBAC) require a lending potential earnings estimate?

*Yes, that would be beneficial to the Board to review.*

2. Can RBAC clarify the initial length of the contract? The introduction Section I (Page 2) states three years, while Section O (Page 10) and Section IX (Page 28) state two years.

*The differing term periods referenced in your question are due to typographical error. Thank you for bringing the inconsistency to our attention. Subject to final approval by the Board, we anticipate an initial term of three years with options to extend by 1-3 years.*

3. Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, \_\_\_\_\_ is currently working remotely and will not be able to submit, at this time, the nine hard copies as requested in the RFP. Would you please let us know to whom and what email address(es) our electronic response should be sent? If there are any specific file limitations, such as size, please let us know.

*Please send to the Manager at [walter.szymanski@alleghenycounty.us](mailto:walter.szymanski@alleghenycounty.us). We can print the proposals at the office.*

4. Scope H.10 notes that monthly reconciliations to the investment consultant accounting reports are to be provide. Should this read "...to the investment manager accounting reports"? Please clarify. (Section III.H.10, page 6)

*Yes, it should read "... to the investment manager accounting reports."*

5. With regard to performance measurement services, and so that we my supply appropriate fees, please indicate if you require or are interested in the following services

- a. Performance Measurement:
  - Monthly or daily?
  - To what level (asset class, sector/country, security)?
- b. Custom Benchmark Performance:
  - If yes, how many custom benchmarks?
- c. Monthly Attribution
- d. Portfolio and Security Analytics
  - Monthly or daily?
- e. Universe Comparison (Peer and Manager Universes)
- f. Board Reporting
- g. Compliance Monitoring
  - If yes, daily or monthly?

*Yes, please provide any estimates of costs all services that you feel may benefit the Board.*

6. For the above services, do all accounts need this service, or is it limited to SMA's?

*The SMA's please.*

7. The RFP asks us to provide an overview of our risk analytics capabilities. By "risk", do you mean ex-post risk (i.e. risk-return ratios), analytics (sector and country exposures, duration number), or a more comprehensive suite of services that includes your total fund's actual—not estimated—asset allocations that may include Value-at-Risk, stress testing, volatility, risk contribution, correlation, etc.? (Section VII.B.3. pg. 24)

*The Board is interested in the ex-post risk, and analytics identified in your question and anything else that you feel the Board would benefit from.*

8. Does RBAC want pricing for daily valuation services in addition to the information requested for NAV calculation methodology in the RFP? (Section VII.D.15, Page 20)

*Yes, please provide costs for all services that would pertain to the RFP and would be beneficial to the Board.*