

## RFPORT

To: ONE Joint Investment Board

From: Evelyn Foo, Chief Compliance Officer

Date: July 14, 2020

Re: Appointment of PWC as Auditors of the Prudent Investor Funds

Report: 20-022

#### 1. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

The Board receive the report for information.

#### 2. SUMMARY

The new Prudent Investment Program funds require an annual audit of a specialized nature. The ONE Investment Board has approved the audit firm of Price Waterhouse Coopers (PwC).

#### 3. BACKGROUND

The Ontario Securities Commission (OSC) requires an annual audit of the newly created ONE Investment Prudent Investment Program funds.

ONE Investment has been granted an exemption by the OSC to create and administer investment funds as an Investment Fund Manager. Each investment fund is subject to an annual audit to ensure compliance with the applicable securities regulations. Each investment fund is considered a separate entity with tax calculations that must be addressed at the fund level as they are considered trusts under the *Income Tax Act*. Each investment fund must flow out amounts to its beneficiaries so that it is not tax liable.

#### 4. ANALYSIS

ONE Investment has approved PwC as the auditors for the ONE Investment's Prudent Investment Program offerings.

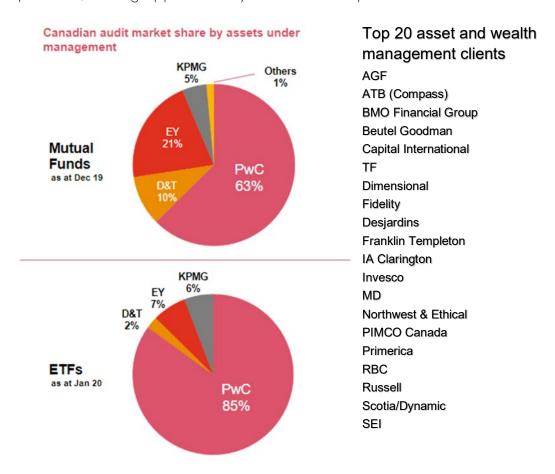
Following the recommendation of the ONE Investment Audit Committee, the ONE Investment Board approved the retention of PwC at its meeting on June 5, 2020.

Annual audits demonstrate a high level of accountability and transparency.

The choice of the firm to conduct the audit of these funds is a significant decision. The audit will provide assurance to the ONE Investment Board, ONE JIB and the participating municipalities that transactions are being appropriately included, best practices are incorporated, and the fund comply with securities regulations.

### PwC audits 63% of Canadian mutual funds by assets under management (AUM)

PwC is a leading audit provider to exchange-traded funds (ETFs) and structured products, serving approximately 85% of ETFs by AUM.



PwC has a working relationship with ONE Investment's custodian and recordkeeper PwC has a long working history with CIBC Mellon. Some of their clients with CIBC Mellon include:

Brandywine	Cumberland	AGF Funds	Fiera Capital
Invesco	SEI	Canoe	T. Rowe Price

# PwC has an extensive track record of working in the public sector, specifically auditing government agencies

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City of Toronto (and more than 30 related	Toronto Transit Commission
entities)	Greater Toronto Airports Authority
City of Sudbury (and more than 5 related	Ontario Power Generation
entities)	Ontario Capital Growth Corporation
Metrolinx	Infrastructure Ontario
Ministry of Transportation	Toronto Parking Authority
Ontario Provincial Controllers Division	Toronto Community Housing Corporation
Public Works and Government Services	Ministry of Economic Development,
Canada	Employment, & Infrastructure

The combination of expertise in the investment fund space and their experience in the public sector position PwC to service the new Prudent Investor funds well.

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