

### Roby Smith Treasurer of State

Capitol Building 1007 E Grand Avenue Des Moines, IA 50319

September 25, 2023

Honorable W. Charles Smithson, Secretary of the Senate Honorable Meghan Nelson, Chief Clerk of the House General Assembly of the State of Iowa State Capitol Building Des Moines, IA 50319

Dear Mr. Smithson and Ms. Nelson:

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I respectfully submit to you the annual reports from the Treasurer of State regarding fiscal year 2023 investment activity related to Iowa Code 12F – Restrictions on Sudan-Related Investments. Attached are reports for the State Operating Fund, the Iowa Judicial Retirement System, and the Iowa Peace Officers' Retirement, Accident and Disability System.

Respectfully Yours,

Roby Smith Treasurer of State

Enclosures

# Iowa Peace Officers' Retirement, Accident and Disability System Annual Report On Sudan Divestment For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

#### **Purpose**

This is the sixteenth annual report required by Iowa Code Chapter 12F regarding restrictions on Sudan-related investments by the Iowa Peace Officers' Retirement, Accident and Disability System (PORS). In response to the ongoing human rights situation in the Darfur region of the country of Sudan, the General Assembly passed SF361, which places restrictions on investments in certain companies that have active business operations there. Effective beginning July 1, 2007, this law intends for state funds not to be invested in companies that provide power production-related services, mineral extraction activities, oil-related activities, or military equipment to the government of Sudan.

Chapter 12F applies to PORS in the following ways:

The system must identify and make available to the public a quarterly updated list of scrutinized companies, which have active or inactive business operations in Sudan. PORS uses the research services of ISS ESG to assist in developing the list of scrutinized companies to comply with this requirement.

PORS is prohibited from directly investing in scrutinized companies with active business operations listed on the most current quarterly list. The fund was required to divest from any company with active business operations that were directly held by the fund as of July 1, 2007, after sending written notification to the company.

Any company owned indirectly through a fund is not subject to divestment, but still requires that PORS send written notification. Further, PORS is required to send written correspondence to the investment managers of funds with scrutinized company holdings urging the managers to divest of the scrutinized companies or start a separate fund free of Sudan-related holdings.

#### **Scrutinized Companies List**

PORS' FY 2023 quarterly scrutinized company list is attached. As of June 30, 2023, PORS indirectly held two companies (GE and Baker Hughes) that are on the quarterly divestment list.

#### **Written Notices**

During the fiscal year, GE and Baker Hughes were held indirectly by PORS. GE and Baker Hughes became scrutinized during fiscal year 2019. As per the requirements of the law, PORS sent a letter to the scrutinized companies, urging them to cease all business operations in the country of Sudan.

#### **Divestment**

Since the companies are owned indirectly through funds, no divestment is required.

#### **Report Availability**

This report, along with any other quarterly scrutinized company list can be obtained by contacting the Treasurer's office at 515-281-5644 or karen.kulisky@tos.iowa.gov.

# Iowa Judicial Retirement System Annual Report On Sudan Divestment For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

#### **Purpose**

This is the sixteenth annual report required by Iowa Code Chapter 12F regarding restrictions on Sudan-related investments by the Iowa Judicial Retirement System (JRS). In response to the ongoing human rights situation in the Darfur region of the country of Sudan, the General Assembly passed SF361, which places restrictions on investments in certain companies that have active business operations there. Effective beginning July 1, 2007, this law intends for state funds not to be invested in companies that provide power production-related services, mineral extraction activities, oil-related activities, or military equipment to the government of Sudan.

Chapter 12F applies to JRS in the following ways:

The system must identify and make available to the public a quarterly updated list of scrutinized companies, which have active or inactive business operations in Sudan. JRS uses the research services of ISS ESG to assist in developing the list of scrutinized companies to comply with this requirement.

JRS is prohibited from directly investing in scrutinized companies with active business operations listed on the most current quarterly list. The fund was required to divest from any company with active business operations that were directly held by the fund as of July 1, 2007, after sending written notification to the company.

Any company owned indirectly through a fund is not subject to divestment, but still requires that JRS send written notification. Further, JRS is required to send written correspondence to the investment managers of funds with scrutinized company holdings urging the managers to divest of the scrutinized companies or start a separate fund free of Sudan-related holdings.

#### **Scrutinized Companies List**

JRS' FY 2023 quarterly scrutinized company list is attached. As of June 30, 2023, JRS indirectly held two companies (GE and Baker Hughes) that are on the quarterly divestment list.

#### **Written Notices**

During the fiscal year, GE and Baker Hughes were held indirectly by JRS. GE and Baker Hughes became scrutinized during fiscal year 2019. As per the requirements of the law, JRS sent a letter to the scrutinized companies, urging them to cease all business operations in the country of Sudan.

#### **Divestment**

Since the companies are owned indirectly through funds, no divestment is required.

#### **Report Availability**

This report, along with any other quarterly scrutinized company list can be obtained by contacting the Treasurer's office at 515-281-5644 or karen.kulisky@tos.iowa.gov.

# Iowa State Operating Fund Annual Report On Sudan Divestment For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

#### **Purpose**

This is the sixteenth annual report required by Iowa Code Chapter 12F regarding restrictions on Sudan-related investments by the Iowa State Operating Fund (SOF). In response to the ongoing human rights situation in the Darfur region of the country of Sudan, the General Assembly passed SF361, which places restrictions on investments in certain companies that have active business operations there. Effective beginning July 1, 2007, this law intends for state funds not to be invested in companies that provide power production-related services, mineral extraction activities, oil-related activities, or military equipment to the government of Sudan.

Chapter 12F applies to SOF in the following ways:

The system must identify and make available to the public a quarterly updated list of scrutinized companies, which have active or inactive business operations in Sudan. SOF uses the research services of ISS ESG to assist in developing the list of scrutinized companies to comply with this requirement.

SOF is prohibited from directly investing in scrutinized companies with active business operations listed on the most current quarterly list. The fund was required to divest from any company with active business operations that were directly held by the fund as of July 1, 2007, after sending written notification to the company.

Any company owned indirectly through a fund is not subject to divestment, but still requires that SOF send written notification. Further, SOF is required to send written correspondence to the investment managers of funds with scrutinized company holdings urging the managers to divest of the scrutinized companies or start a separate fund free of Sudan-related holdings.

#### **Scrutinized Companies List**

SOF's final FY 2023 quarterly scrutinized company list is attached. As of June 30, 2023, SOF did not hold, either directly or indirectly, any companies on the list of scrutinized companies.

#### **Written Notices**

During the fiscal year, no companies on the scrutinized company list were held either directly or indirectly by SOF.

#### Divestment

As SOF did not have any direct or indirect holdings of scrutinized companies, no divestment was required.

#### **Report Availability**

This report, along with any other quarterly scrutinized company list can be obtained by contacting the Treasurer's office at 515-281-5644 or karen.kulisky@tos.iowa.gov.

### **Sudan Company List FY 23**

ASEC Co. for Mining

**Baker Hughes Company** 

**BYD Company Limited** 

China Energy Engineering Corp. Ltd.

China Petroleum & Chemical Corporation

China Yangtze Power Co., Ltd.

**Dongfeng Motor Group Company Limited** 

Elsewedy Electric Co.

Gas To Liquid PJSC

**General Electric Company** 

Harbin Electric Co. Ltd.

Hyundai Motor Co., Ltd.

Indian Oil Corp. Ltd.

KAMAZ PTC

Managem SA

Nissan Motor Co., Ltd.

Oil India Limited

Pan African Resources Plc

Perseus Mining Limited

PetroChina Company Limited

Qala For Financial Investments

Senergy Holding Co. KSCP

Siemens Energy AG

Volkswagen AG

Wildcat Petroleum Plc