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ILPA PUBLISHES LANDMARK GUIDANCE ON PRIVATE EQUITY FEE REPORTING

With Broad-Based Support, ILPA Continues to Set Global Standards and Enhance Transparency for Private Equity Industry with New Fee Reporting Template

January 29, 2016 (Toronto, CAN and Washington, DC) – The Institutional Limited Partners Association (ILPA) today announced the launch of the Fee Reporting Template, which builds upon ILPA’s reporting guidelines first issued in 2011 and is the first deliverable of the ILPA’s *Fee Transparency Initiative* launched in May 2015. The Template marks the industry’s first attempt to unify and codify the presentation of fees, expenses and carried interest information by fund managers to Limited Partners (LPs).

Consultation on the Template has been ongoing since September 2015 and ILPA is pleased to announce broad-based support and input from more than 120 individuals and organizations, including nearly 50 global LP groups, and 25 General Partner organizations (GPs), as well as numerous industry trade bodies and a number of leading consultants, advisors, fund administrators and accountants.

“ILPA’s new reporting standards, as illustrated by the Fee Reporting Template, will provide our members with the clarity and consistency of information required to perform their duties, while giving GPs a more consistent roadmap for what Limited Partners need,” said Tanya Carmichael, ILPA’s Chair and Director, Global Funds at Ontario Teachers’ Pension Plan (OTPP). “The range of practitioners and organizations that have been engaged in this process is testament to ILPA’s commitment to a consensus-based approach to both transparency and standardization.”

Starting in spring 2015, the ILPA convened groups of members to discuss the quality of GP reporting and the need for enhanced reporting standards and additional guidance on disclosures. This dialogue evolved into consensus amongst a cross-section of dozens of practitioners to create and implement the Fee Reporting Template. The Template, proposed as an expansion of the quarterly Partners Capital Account Statement, details at the Limited Partner level all monies collected by fund managers from LPs and portfolio companies, including fees charged, fund expenses, any offsets applied, carried interest amounts and income received through related parties or parallel vehicles to the fund.

“This is a momentous and necessary step forward for our industry. The ILPA is calling for transparency and consistency that helps ensure a level playing field,” says Peter Freire, ILPA’s CEO. “The institutionalization of improved reporting will take time but we hope to see meaningful progress over the coming year in the adoption of the reporting standards for new funds being raised and ideally for current vintages as well.”

“The release of the Template is the first step in a broader process,” adds Freire. “In the coming year ILPA will carry this dialogue forward through forums that develop additional guidance on the Template’s implementation, including the exploration of subsequent revisions or clarifications necessary to ensure the



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widest adoption possible. This is very much in line with ILPA’s mission to develop and advance best practices for limited partners and the wider industry.”

In addition to the Fee Reporting Template, the Initiative has produced a white paper recommending an expanded role for third parties and Advisory Boards with respect to fund compliance reviews, as well as recommended guidance to be appended to the ILPA Private Equity Principles, last updated in 2011. Both documents will be published in February. ILPA will undertake a comprehensive review of the ILPA Private Equity Principles beginning later in 2016.

For a copy of the ILPA Fee Reporting Template, ILPA Private Equity Principles, or to access ILPA’s previously released reporting guidelines and templates, please visit www.ilpa.org.

About ILPA

The ILPA is the leading global, member-driven organization dedicated to advancing the interests of private equity Limited Partners through industry-leading education programs, independent research, best practices, networking opportunities and global collaborations.

Organizations Endorsing the Fee Transparency Template

As of January 28th, the following LP organizations have endorsed the Fee Reporting Template:

AP2	DC Retirement Board	Ontario Teachers’ Pension Plan
APG	Florida SBA	Oregon State Treasury
BBC Pension	Guardian Life Insurance Company	Pennsylvania PSERS
Bonanza Oil Company	of America	San Diego County Employees
CalPERS	Kentucky Retirement System	Retirement Association
CalSTRS	MetLife	(SDCERA)
Canada Pension Plan Investment	New York State Common	South Carolina Retirement System
Board (CPPIB)	Retirement Fund	Investment Commission
CMPA	Ohio PERS	Teacher Retirement System of
Colorado PERA	Ohio SERS	Texas (TRS)

As of January 28th, 25 GP organizations have provided input and expressed support for the Fee Reporting Template, with The Carlyle Group and TPG among those expressly endorsing the Template’s adoption. Updated lists of GP organizations that have endorsed the Template will be made available in future.

In addition, the following third parties and fund of funds have been instrumental to the development of the Template and related guidance and intend to support the adoption and implementation of the Template:

Cambridge Associates	Conifer Financial Services	Upwelling Capital
Capital Analytics	Pathway Capital Management	
CEM Benchmarking	TorreyCove Capital Partners	

Finally, the ILPA effort is closely coordinated with the AltExchange Alliance, a coalition of LPs, GPs and software providers including eFront and SunGard, working to produce a uniform standard to facilitate the accuracy and efficiency of the electronic exchange of portfolio data information. The ILPA Fee Reporting Template will be reflected in the AltExchange data standard and definitions to facilitate the Template’s adoption. ILPA is an AltExchange member and serves on its Board. More information on the AltExchange data standard is available at www.altexchange.com.



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Links

[ILPA Private Equity Principles \(2011\) and list of endorsing organizations \(as of July 2015\)](#)

[ILPA Reporting Guidelines \(2011\)](#)

[ILPA Capital Call and Distribution Notice Templates \(2011\)](#)

[AltExchange Data Standard and Definitions](#)

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