Overview

At Brookfield Public Securities Group (PSG), we believe that well-governed companies are better positioned to realize long-term value and generate sustainable returns. We find we can express our views most impactfully directly to management in a one-on-one meeting, versus a public proxy contest. However, our investment teams take every opportunity to actively vote on proxy proposals according to our policy and always in the best interest of our clients. If, and when, our views differ from those of a company's management team, we try to engage with the company team to understand its thought process and explain our own. As a fiduciary, PSG and its affiliates seek to vote proxies in the best interest of clients, in compliance with Rule 206(4)-6 under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, in favor of proposals that we believe maximize shareholder value.

Engagement

We seek to develop good relationships with the management teams of the companies in which we invest, and we engage in ongoing dialogue with them throughout the investment life cycle. We participate in hundreds of face-to-face meetings each year and regularly engage with management teams on matters that focus on maximizing economic value for our shareholders. Our direct contact with management teams in a closed-door, one-on-one setting allows us to express views on key issues with companies in a meaningful manner. The goal of our engagements is to ensure that management teams are aligned with maximizing economic values for the benefit of shareholders' interests and have strategic and operational visions that promote sustainable, long-term growth while employing good governance practices.

Proxy Voting Procedures

In addition to our investment professionals actively voting on proxy proposals, PSG has engaged Institutional Shareholder Services Inc. (ISS), an independent, third-party subject matter expert, to facilitate our proxy voting process. After review, consideration and determinations, if any, made by the PSG Proxy Voting Working Group, PSG generallly adopts ISS' Proxy Voting Guidelines as our proxy voting guidelines ("PSG Proxy Voting Guidelines"). We believe that having an independent third party's framework, background information, recommendations and analysis helps to ensure that all proxy voting decisions are made by PSG in the best interest of our clients.

Unless otherwise specifically provided in the agreement between the client and PSG, ISS will generally be responsible for voting on proxy ballot issues as the agent of PSG pursuant to the PSG Proxy Voting Guidelines as incorporated into the PSG Proxy Voting Policy and Procedures. A copy of the PSG Proxy Voting Guidelines is available upon request. There may be instances in which PSG may cast a vote different from an ISS recommendation if PSG has identified it would be in the best economic interest of its client(s) to do so. In addition, we participate in the ISS Annual Global Benchmark Policy Survey, ensuring our feedback is considered in the year-over-year policy development process.

Proxy Voting Working Group

PSG's Proxy Voting Working Group consists of representatives from legal, compliance, operations, investments and ISS, as well as other disciplines as needed. The working group meets monthly to review the services of ISS, to review the application of PSG's proxy voting guidelines vis-à-vis votes cast, and to monitor and update PSG's proxy voting policy and procedures, as needed.

Risk Disclosure

All investing involves risk. The value of an investment will fluctuate over time, and an investor may gain or lose money, or the entire investment. Real assets include real estate securities, infrastructure securities and natural resources securities.

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