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Hon. Thomas Rivera Schatz Presidente Senado de Puerto Rico El Capitolio San Juan, Puerto Rico

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Honorable Presidente:

En armonía con el Articulo 2.040(2) del Código de Seguros de Puerto Rico según enmendado, le incluimos copia del informe de los auditores externos sobre los fondos de la Oficina del Comisionado de Seguros, correspondiente al año fiscal que finalizó el 30 de junio de 2024.

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Nos reiteramos a sus órdenes para contestar cualquier pregunta que al respecto usted pueda tener.

Cordialmente,

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## OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE (COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO)

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT, STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS - GOVERNMENTAL FUND June 30, 2024

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### **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

Commissioner of Insurance of Puerto Rico Commonwealth of Puerto Rico San Juan, Puerto Rico

#### Opinion

We have audited the accompanying statement of cash receipts and cash disbursements - Governmental Fund of the Office of the Commissioner of Insurance (the Office), an executive office of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the statement of cash receipts and cash disbursements which collectively comprise the Office's statement as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the cash receipts and cash disbursements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective statement of cash receipts and cash disbursements – Governmental Fund of the Office for the year ended June 30, 2024, in accordance with the basis of accounting described in Note 2.

## **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Office, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### **Emphasis of Matters**

#### Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 2 of the statement of cash receipts and cash disbursements, which describes the basis of accounting. The statement of cash receipts and cash disbursements is prepared on the basis of cash receipts and cash disbursements, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

#### Approval of the Plan of Adjustment - Primary Government

As discussed in notes 3 and 4 to the financial statements, on May 13, 2017, the Financial Oversight and Management Board created by the Puerto Rico Oversight, Management and Economic Stability Act (PROMESA) filed a petition for relief under Title III of PROMESA similar to bankruptcy. On January 18, 2022, the Title III Court entered an order confirming the Commonwealth's Eight Amended Plan of Adjustment (the Plan). The Plan became effective in accordance with its terms on March 15, 2022, and the Commonwealth emerged from Title III of PROMESA. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

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## **Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the statement of cash receipts and cash disbursements in accordance with the cash basis of accounting described in Note 2, and for determining that the cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the statement in the circumstances. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the statement of cash receipts and cash disbursements that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Commonwealth's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

## Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the statement of cash receipts and cash disbursements as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the statement of cash receipts and cash disbursements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the statement, whether due to fraud
  or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures
  include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the
  statement of cash receipts and cash disbursements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Office's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the statement of cash receipts and cash disbursements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Office's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

#### **Other Matters**

#### Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in the statement of cash receipts and cash disbursements. The other information comprises the budgetary comparison schedule but does not include the cash receipts and cash disbursement statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the cash receipts and cash disbursements do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the statement of cash receipts and cash disbursements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic statement, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

This report is intended for the information and use of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico Office of the Commissioner of Insurance, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than this specified party. However, this report is matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

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San Juan, Puerto Rico October 30, 2024

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## STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS - GOVERMENTAL FUND

JUNE 30, 2024

## **CASH RECEIPTS**

| Licenses              | \$11,515,908 |
|-----------------------|--------------|
| Fines                 | 331,888      |
| Testing fees          | 700,210      |
| Sales of publications | 26,119       |
| Other                 | 145,229      |
| Total cash receipts   | 12,719,354   |

## CASH DISBURSEMENTS

| Payroll and related items                   | 4,330,551          |
|---|--------------------|
| PAY-GO                                      | 1,056,999          |
| Facilities and payments for public services | 22,964             |
| Purchased services                          | 907,267            |
| Donations, subsidies, and distributions     | ~                  |
| Transportation and subsistence expenses     | 8,631              |
| Professional services and consultants       | 2,180,057          |
| Material and supplies                       | 25,257             |
| Equipment purchases                         | 143,339            |
| Ads and media guidelines                    | 3,744              |
| Other expenses                              | <u>    123,053</u> |
| Total cash disbursements                    | 8,801,862          |

## EXCESS OF CASH RECEIPTS OVER CASH DISBURSEMENTS, NET

\$<u>3,917,492</u>

See notes to the statement of cash receipts and cash disbursements.

## NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMETS JUNE 30, 2024

#### **NOTE 1 – ORGANIZATION**

The Office of the Commissioner of Insurance (the Office) is an executive office of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (the Commonwealth) created by Law No. 77, dated June 19th of 1957, as amended. The Office has the authority to regulate, supervise, and oversee the insurance industry in Puerto Rico. In addition, it examines and licenses insurance personnel and companies, collects taxes over insurance premiums, advises the public and other government agencies about insurance issues, investigates, and resolves complaints and regulates the commercial practices and advertising of the insurance industry in Puerto Rico to avoid unfair and deceiving practices.

## NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

**Basis of Accounting -** The accompanying Statement of Cash Receipts and Cash Disbursements – Governmental Fund has been prepared on the cash basis method of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles. Non-cash transactions are not recognized in the statement.

**Basis of Presentation** - The Office's fund is, as required by law, under the custody and control of the Secretary of the Department of Treasury of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and is also accounted for in the Central Government Accounting System. Special revenue fund is used to account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specific restricted or committed revenue source is the foundation for a special revenue fund. Revenues for this fund comes from sources (such as taxes, fees, and contributions from private insurance entities). The expenditures from these funds are normally restricted by statute, charter provisions and local ordinance. The Office prepares its Statement of Cash Receipts and Cash Disbursements - Governmental Fund on the cash basis method of accounting.

New issued accounting standards adopted - GASB Statement No. 87, Leases. The objective of this statement is to better meet the information needs of financial statement users by improving accounting and financial reporting by governments. This statement increases the usefulness of governments' financial statements by requiring recognition of certain lease assets and liabilities for leases that previously were classified as operating leases and recognized as inflows of resources or outflows of resources based on the payment provisions of the contract. It establishes a single model for lease accounting based on the foundational principle that leases are financings of the right to use an underlying asset. Under this statement, a lessee is required to recognize a lease liability and an intangible right to use lease assets, and a lessor is required to recognize a lease receivable and a deferred inflow of resources, thereby enhancing the relevance and consistency of information about governments' leasing activities. The requirements of this statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2021.

## NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMETS (CONTINUED)

JUNE 30, 2024

## NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

*New issued accounting standards adopted (continued)* GASB Statement No. 92, Omnibus 2020. This Statement addresses a variety of topics and includes specific provisions about the following, the effective date of Statement No. 87, Leases, and Implementation Guide No. 2019-3, Leases, for interim financial reports; Reporting of intra-entity transfers of assets between a primary government employer and a component unit defined benefit pension plan or defined benefit other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plan; The applicability of Statement No. 73, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions and Related Assets That Are Not within the Scope of GASB Statement 68, and Amendments to Certain Provisions of GASB Statements 67 and 68, as amended, and No. 74, Financial Reporting for Postemployment benefits; The applicability of certain requirements of Statement No. 84, Fiduciary Activities, to postemployment benefit arrangements; measurement of liabilities (and assets, if any) related to asset retirement obligations (AROs) in a government acquisition; Reporting by public entity risk pools for amounts that are recoverable from reinsurers or excess insurers; Reference to nonrecurring fair value measurements of assets or liabilities in authoritative literature; and terminology used to refer to derivative instruments.

The Office have not implemented such accounting standard since they only recognized on books cash receipts and disbursements and do not maintain a statement of net assets.

## NOTE 3 - GOING CONCERN, UNCERTAINTIES AND LIQUIDITY RISK

For many years the Commonwealth was facing a fiscal, economic and liquidity crisis, which resulted in significant governmental deficits, an economic recession that has persisted since 2006, liquidity challenges, a high unemployment rate, population decline, and high levels of debt and pension obligations that adversely affected its credit ratings and its ability to obtain financing at reasonable interest rates.

Pursuant to PROMESA and the establishment of the Oversight Board, the United States Congress provided a mechanism to allow for the fiscal and economic discipline that ultimately resulted in the orderly restructuring of the Commonwealth obligations. After years of extensive litigation with creditors, on October 26, 2021, the Commonwealth enacted the Law to End the Bankruptcy of Puerto Rico (Law 53) to, among other things, approve the issuance of the new general obligation bonds (the GO Bonds) and contingent value instruments (CVIs) necessary to implement the restructuring transactions contemplated in the Commonwealth plan of adjustment, subject to certain amendments that would preserve pension benefits. The Title III Court confirmed the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment (as defined below) on January 18, 2022, and it became effective on March 15, 2022.

Since the Commonwealth remediated its financial condition and addressed its liabilities through the implementation of the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment, management does not believe there is substantial doubt about the Commonwealth's ability to continue as a going concern as of the date of these financial statements.

## NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMETS (CONTINUED)

## JUNE 30, 2024

## NOTE 4 – THE PUERTO RICO OVERSIGHT, MANAGEMENT, AND ECONOMIC STABILITY ACT (PROMESA)

The Puerto Rico Oversight, Management, and Economic Stability Act, Pub. Law 114187 (PROMESA), was enacted into federal law on June 30, 2016. PROMESA includes a variety of provisions applicable to Puerto Rico, its component units and their liabilities and operations. As discussed in Note 2, prior to March 15, 2022, the Commonwealth and many of its component units were in an economic and fiscal crisis, which caused, among other things, the initiation of financial measures directed to reinstate fiscal and financial stability, including several Commonwealth and federal laws that have been passed in recent years. During the fiscal years after June 30, 2016, the Commonwealth, and other governmental entities such as COFINA, PRHTA, ERS, PREPA, PBA, GDB, PRIFA, PRCCDA, PFC, PRIDCO, and the Puerto Rico Tourism Development Fund (TDF) initiated proceedings under Title III and Title VI of PROMESA at the request of the Governor to restructure or adjust their existing debt. All Title III and Title VI proceedings have concluded other than PREPA. The following is a summary of PROMESA, which is intended as a broad overview of primary provisions:

## PROMESA

In general terms, PROMESA seeks to provide the Commonwealth with fiscal and economic discipline through, among other things: (i) the establishment of the Oversight Board, whose responsibilities include the certification of fiscal plans and budgets for the Commonwealth and its related entities; (ii) a temporary stay of all creditor lawsuits under Title IV of PROMESA; and (iii) two alternative methods to adjust unsustainable debt: (a) a voluntary debt modification process under Title VI of PROMESA, which establishes a largely out-of-court debt restructuring process through which modifications to financial debt can be accepted by a supermajority of creditors; and (b) a quasibankruptcy proceeding under Title III of PROMESA, which establishes an in-court debt restructuring process substantially based upon incorporated provisions of Title 11 of the United States Code (U.S. Bankruptcy Code). Each of these elements are divided among PROMESA's seven titles, as briefly discussed below.

#### (a) Title I – Establishment of Oversight Board and Administrative Matters

Upon PROMESA's enactment, the Oversight Board was established for Puerto Rico. As stated in PROMESA, "the purpose of the Oversight Board is to provide a method for a covered territory to achieve fiscal responsibility and access to the capital markets." On August 31, 2016, the President of the United States announced the appointment of the Oversight Board members. Each Oversight Board member is required to have "knowledge and expertise in finance, municipal bond markets, management, law, or the organization or operation of business or government." The Oversight Board was "created as an entity within the territorial government for which it was established" and is expressly not an entity of the federal government, but it was also established to act independently from the Commonwealth government, such that neither the Governor nor the Legislature may "(1) exercise any control, supervision, oversight, or review over the Oversight Board or its activities; or (2) enact, implement, or enforce any statute, resolution, policy, or rule that would impair or defeat the purposes of PROMESA, as determined by the Oversight Board."

## NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMETS (CONTINUED)

#### JUNE 30, 2024

# NOTE 4 – THE PUERTO RICO OVERSIGHT, MANAGEMENT, AND ECONOMIC STABILITY ACT (PROMESA) (CONTINUED)

#### (b) Title II – Fiscal Plan and Budget Certification Process and Compliance

Title II sets forth the requirements for proposing and certifying fiscal plans and budgets for the Commonwealth and its instrumentalities. "Each fiscal plan serves as the cornerstone for structural reforms the Oversight Board deems necessary to ensure the territory, or instrumentality, will be on a path towards fiscal responsibility and access to capital markets."

Only after the Oversight Board has certified a fiscal plan may the Governor submit a fiscal year Commonwealth budget and fiscal year budgets for certain Commonwealth instrumentalities (as approved by the Oversight Board) to the Legislature.

In furtherance of the foregoing duties, PROMESA contains a provision that grants the Oversight Board powers to monitor compliance with certified fiscal plans and budgets and undertake certain actions, including spending reductions and the submission of recommended actions to the Governor that promote budgetary compliance. Please refer to the language of PROMESA for a complete description of the Oversight Board's powers related to fiscal plan and budgetary compliance. In addition, the United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit has issued certain rulings regarding the interpretation of the Oversight Board's powers under PROMESA sections 204(a) and 108(a) that apply administrative law principles to statutes passed by the Commonwealth and certified as not significantly inconsistent with a Board-certified fiscal plan.

## (c) Title III - In-Court Restructuring Process

Title III of PROMESA establishes an in-court process for restructuring the debts of Puerto Rico and other United States territories that is modelled after the process under Chapter 9 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code.

The Oversight Board has sole authority to file a voluntary petition seeking protection under Title III of PROMESA, subject to the prerequisites therein.

In a Title III case, the Oversight Board acts as the debtor's representative and is authorized to take any actions necessary to prosecute the Title III case. Immediately upon filing the Title III petition, Bankruptcy Code section 362 (which is incorporated into Title III cases under PROMESA) applies to automatically stay substantially all litigation against the debtor (the Title III Stay). A Title III case culminates in the confirmation of a plan of adjustment of the debts of the debtor. The Oversight Board has the exclusive authority to file and modify a plan of adjustment prior to confirmation. Title III plans of adjustment have been confirmed and are currently effective for the Commonwealth, ERS, PBA, and COFINA.

## NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMETS (CONTINUED)

#### JUNE 30, 2024

# NOTE 4 – THE PUERTO RICO OVERSIGHT, MANAGEMENT, AND ECONOMIC STABILITY ACT (PROMESA) (CONTINUED)

(d) Title IV – Temporary Stay of Liligation, Government Reporting, and Other Miscellaneous Provisions

Title IV of PROMESA contains several miscellaneous provisions, including a temporary stay of litigation related to "Liability Claims," relief from certain wage and hour laws, the establishment of a Congressional Task Force on Economic Growth in Puerto Rico (the Task Force), the requirement that the Comptroller General of the United States submit two reports to Congress regarding the public debt levels of the U.S. territories, and expansion of the federal government's small business HUBZone program in Puerto Rico.

Pursuant to PROMESA section 405, the enactment of PROMESA immediately and automatically imposed a temporary stay (the Title IV Stay) from June 30, 2016 (the date of PROMESA's enactment) through February 15, 2017, of all "Liability Claim" litigation commenced against the Commonwealth and its instrumentalities after December 18, 2015. A "Liability Claim" is defined as any right to payment or equitable remedy for breach of performance related to "a bond, loan, letter of credit, other borrowing title, obligation of insurance, or other financial indebtedness for borrowed money, including rights, entitlements, or obligations whether such rights entitlements, or obligations arise from contract, statute, or any other source of law related [thereto]" for which the Commonwealth or one of its instrumentalities was the issuer, obligor, or guarantor and such liabilities were incurred prior to June 30, 2016. The Title IV Stay was subject to a one-time 75-day extension by the Oversight Board or a one-time 60-day extension by the United States District Court. On January 28, 2017, the Oversight Board extended the Title IV Stay by 75 days to May 1, 2017, at which time the Title IV Stay expired.

Title IV of PROMESA also required several federal government reports. First, PROMESA established the Task Force within the legislative branch of the U.S. federal government. The Task Force submitted its report to Congress on December 20, 2016.

Second, PROMESA required the U.S. Comptroller General, through the Government Accountability Office (GAO), to submit a report to the House and Senate by December 30, 2017, regarding: (i) the conditions that led to Puerto Rico's current level of debt; (ii) how government actions improved or impaired its financial condition; and (iii) recommendations on new fiscal actions or policies that the Commonwealth could adopt. The GAO published this report on May 9, 2018.

Third, PROMESA required the U.S. Comptroller General, through the GAO, to submit to Congress by June 30, 2017, a report on public debt of the U.S. territories. In addition to its initial report, the GAO must submit to Congress updated reports on the public debt at least once every two-years. The GAO published its initial report on October 2, 2017. On June 29, 2023, the GAO published its latest biannual report on the public debt of the U.S. territories.

## NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMETS (CONTINUED)

#### JUNE 30, 2024

## NOTE 4 – THE PUERTO RICO OVERSIGHT, MANAGEMENT, AND ECONOMIC STABILITY ACT (PROMESA) (CONTINUED)

#### (e) Title V – Infrastructure Revitalization

Title V of PROMESA establishes the position of Revitalization Coordinator under the Oversight Board and provides a framework for infrastructure revitalization through an expedited permitting process for "critical projects" as identified by the Revitalization Coordinator.

#### (f) Title VI – Consensual, Out-of-Court Debt Modification Process

Title VI of PROMESA establishes an out-of-court process for modifying Puerto Rico's debts. Under PROMESA section 601(d), the Oversight Board is authorized to establish "pools" of bonds issued by each Puerto Rico government-related issuer based upon relative priorities. After establishing the pools, the government issuer or any bondholder or bondholder group may propose a modification to one or more series of the government issuer's bonds. If a voluntary agreement exists, the Oversight Board must issue a certification and execute number of additional processes in order to qualify the modification.

The United States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico must enter an order approving the Qualifying Modification and vesting in the issuer all property free and clear of claims in respect of any bonds.

The Title VI process was successfully implemented to restructure certain debts of the GDB. The GDB Title VI process is discussed below under Discretely Presented Component Units – GDB, Qualifying Modification and Title VI Approval Process.

In addition, the Title VI process was utilized to restructure certain debts of PRIFA, PRCCDA, PFC and TDF.

#### (g) Title VII – Sense of Congress

Title VII of PROMESA sets forth the sense of Congress that "any durable solution for Puerto Rico's fiscal and economic crisis should include permanent, pro-growth fiscal reforms that feature, among other elements, a free flow of capital between territories of the United States and the rest of the United States."

## PUERTO RICO LEGISLATION

Act No. 101-2020, the Debt Responsibility Act, was enacted to ensure that the Commonwealth does not repeat past mistakes that led to its financial crisis and liquidity shortage by, among other things, establishing a comprehensive cap on all net tax-supported debt and a sublimit on secured and/or securitized debt incurred to pay debt service on the new COFINA bonds.

## NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMETS (CONTINUED)

JUNE 30, 2024

## NOTE 4 - THE PUERTO RICO OVERSIGHT, MANAGEMENT, AND ECONOMIC STABILITY ACT (PROMESA) (CONTINUED)

#### **PUERTO RICO LEGISLATION - continued**

In addition, the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment and Confirmation Order include provisions requiring the Commonwealth to adhere to the Debt Responsibility Act and a Debt Management Policy [ECF No. 20353, Ex. J] that provides further guardrails for ongoing fiscal responsibility, including maximum limits on the Commonwealth's annual amount of debt service payments. For further information, refer to the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment, Confirmation Order, and Debt Management Policy, which are available at <a href="https://cases.ra.kroll.com/puertorico/Home-DocketInfo">https://cases.ra.kroll.com/puertorico/Home-DocketInfo</a>.

Act No. 53-2021, the Law to End the Bankruptcy of Puerto Rico, was enacted on October 26, 2021, to, among other things, approve the issuance of the New GO Bonds and CVIs (each as defined and discussed below) necessary to implement the restructuring transactions contemplated in the Seventh Amended Plan. In addition to approving the Commonwealth's restructuring transactions, Act 53 conditioned the effectiveness of the Government's approval on the preservation of all accrued pension benefits owed to current public pension participants, which required the elimination of the proposed pension cuts, as discussed in part (b) below.

#### **PROMESA TITLE III CASES**

#### (a) Commonwealth Title III Case

On May 3, 2017, the Oversight Board, at the request of the Governor, commenced a Title III case for the Commonwealth by filing a petition for relief under Title III of PROMESA in Title III Court. The deadline by which all creditors were required to file their proofs of claim against the Commonwealth was June 29, 2018. Approximately 119,199 claims were filed against the Commonwealth in the total aggregate asserted amount of approximately \$33.3 trillion. Of this amount, approximately 86,598 claims in the total aggregate asserted amount of approximately \$33.2 trillion have been withdrawn or expunged by an omnibus objection order entered by the Title III Court. As a result, approximately 4,932 claims in the total aggregate asserted amount of approximately \$12.1 billion remain outstanding (excluding claims pending objection, marked for future objection, or transferred or waiting to be transferred into Administrative Claim Reconciliation). The validity of these remaining claims has not yet been determined and such claims remain subject to the claims reconciliation process. Accordingly, the numbers and amounts of claims identified above will change over time as objections are filed and determined by the Title III Court.

On July 30, 2021, the Oversight Board—as representative to the Commonwealth, ERS, and PBA in their respective Title III cases—filed its Seventh Amended Title III Joint Plan of Adjustment of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, et al. [ECF No. 17629] (the Seventh Amended Plan) and a corrected disclosure statement related thereto [ECF No. 17628], which was approved by the Title III Court.

On October 26, 2021, the Governor signed into law Act 53, which provided legislative approval for the bond transactions contemplated in the Seventh Amended Plan conditioned on the elimination of its monthly pension cut provisions in an amended version of that plan.

## NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMETS (CONTINUED)

#### JUNE 30, 2024

## NOTE 4 – THE PUERTO RICO OVERSIGHT, MANAGEMENT, AND ECONOMIC STABILITY ACT (PROMESA) (CONTINUED)

#### PROMESA TITLE III CASES - continued

(a) Commonwealth Title III Case - continued

On November 3, 2021, the Oversight Board filed its Modified Eighth Amended Title III Joint Plan of Adjustment of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, et al. [ECF No. 19053] (the Eighth Amended Plan), which further revised the Seventh Amended Plan to eliminate its monthly pension cut provisions consistent with Act 53, among other things. The hearing to consider confirmation of the Eighth Amended Plan commenced on November 8, 2021 and concluded on November 23, 2021. The final modified version of the Eighth Amended Plan was filed on January 14, 2022 [ECF No. 19813-1] as confirmed, the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment.

On January 18, 2022, the Title III Court entered its findings of fact and conclusions of law in connection with the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment [ECF No. 19812] (the Commonwealth Findings of Fact) and an order confirming the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment [ECF No. 19813] (the Commonwealth Confirmation Order). In both the Commonwealth Confirmation Order and Findings of Fact, the Title III Court found that Act 53 properly authorized the issuance of new bonds and provided adequate means for implementation of the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment.

Between January 28, 2022 and February 17, 2022, six appeals of the Confirmation Order were filed in the First Circuit, which have all been denied.

On March 15, 2022 (the Effective Date), the conditions precedent to the Effective Date of the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment were satisfied and/or waived by the Oversight Board, and the plan became effective.

As of the Commonwealth Effective Date, the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment reduced the Commonwealth's total funded debt obligations from approximately \$34.3 billion of prepetition debt to approximately \$16.1 billion, representing a total debt reduction of 53%. This debt reduction will also reduce the Commonwealth's maximum annual debt service (inclusive of COFINA) from approximately \$4.2 billion to \$1.15 billion, representing a total debt service reduction of 73%. Also as of the Commonwealth Effective Date, all the legacy Commonwealth general obligation bonds, ERS bonds, and PBA bonds were discharged, and all of the Commonwealth, ERS, and PBA obligations and guarantees related thereto were discharged. In addition, all Commonwealth laws that required the transfer of funds from the Commonwealth to other entities have been deemed preempted, and the Commonwealth has no obligation to transfer additional amounts pursuant to those laws.

A component of the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment is the post-Commonwealth Effective Date issuance of new general obligation bonds (the New GO Bonds) and contingent value instruments (CVIs) that provide recoveries to GO and PBA bondholders, as well as holders of claw-back claims against the Commonwealth and certain of its component units and instrumentalities.

## NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMETS (CONTINUED)

JUNE 30, 2024

## NOTE 4 - THE PUERTO RICO OVERSIGHT, MANAGEMENT, AND ECONOMIC STABILITY ACT (PROMESA) (CONTINUED)

#### **PROMESA TITLE III CASES - continued**

(a) Commonwealth Title III Case - continued

The New GO Bonds were issued with an aggregate original principal amount of approximately \$7.4 billion, consisting of approximately (i) \$6.6 billion of New GO CIBs, (ii) \$442.5 million of New GO CABs with a 5.375% interest rate, and (iii) \$288.2 million of New GO CABs with a 5.0% interest rate. They have 11 different maturity dates and are secured by (a) a statutory first lien, (b) a pledge of the amounts on deposit in the Debt Service Fund, and (c) a pledge of the Commonwealth's full faith, credit, and taxing power in accordance with Article VI, Section 2 of the Commonwealth Constitution, and applicable Puerto Rico law. The New GO Bonds are be dated as of, and will accrue or accrete interest from, July 1, 2021.

The Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment also contemplates the issuance of CVIs, an instrument that gives a holder the right to receive payments in the event that certain triggers are met. The Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment establishes revenue-based performance benchmarks and permits the holders of CVIs to receive payments on account of the CVIs only if the benchmarks are exceeded. The CVIs issued under the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment will be based on over-performance collections of the Commonwealth's 5.5% sales and use tax (SUT), with some CVIs also being subject to over-performance collections of rum tax. The CVIs represent a conditional promise by the Commonwealth to pay CVI holders only if the SUT or rum tax baselines are exceeded in a given fiscal year. The outperformance metric will be measured as of the end of each fiscal year (i.e., June 30) beginning in fiscal year 2022 and is based on a SUT and rum tax collections baselines for fiscal years 2022 to 2043 as established in the Board-certified fiscal plan for the Commonwealth, dated May 27, 2020. As with the New GO Bonds, the Commonwealth pledged its full faith, credit and taxing power under the Puerto Rico Constitution and applicable Puerto Rico law for payment of the CVIs. The CVIs are deemed issued on July 1, 2021.

The CVIs are also divided into two categories: (i) general obligation debt CVIs (GO CVIs), which will be allocated to various holders of GO bondholder claims; and (ii) clawback debt CVIs (the Clawback CVIs), which will be allocated to claims related to HTA, PRCCDA, PRIFA, and MBA bonds. The GO CVIs have a 22-year term. The Clawback CVIs have a 30-year term. The GO CVIs are subject to a lifetime cap of \$3.5 billion, with maximum annual payments of \$200 million plus any unused amounts from previous years subject to cumulative annual payments not exceeding \$400 million. Similarly, the Clawback CVIs are subject to a \$5.2 billion aggregate lifetime cap, allocated across the different types of bond claims, with maximum annual payments of (i) \$175 million plus any unused amounts from previous years, not to exceed cumulative annual payments of \$350 million, for fiscal years 1-22 of the 30-year term; and (ii) \$375 million plus any unused amounts from previous years, not to exceed cumulative annual payments of \$350 million, for fiscal years 1-22 of the 30-year term; and (ii) \$375 million plus any unused amounts from previous years, not to exceed cumulative annual payments of \$350 million, for fiscal years 1-22 of the 30-year term; and (ii) \$375 million plus any unused amounts from previous years, not to exceed cumulative annual payments of \$30 of the 30-year term. The CVIs also apply an annual payment waterfall in which the first \$100 million will be paid to GO CVIs and the next \$11,111,111 will be paid to Clawback CVIs.

## NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMETS (CONTINUED)

#### JUNE 30, 2024

## NOTE 4 - THE PUERTO RICO OVERSIGHT, MANAGEMENT, AND ECONOMIC STABILITY ACT (PROMESA) (CONTINUED)

## **PROMESA TITLE III CASES - continued**

(a) Commonwealth Title III Case - continued

The Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment classifies claims into 69 classes, which will receive the following aggregate recoveries as follows:

- Various categories of Commonwealth Bond Claims (Classes 15-50): 73% recovery consisting of cash, New GO Bonds, and GO CVIs.
- Various categories of PBA Bond Claims (Classes 1-12, 14): 79% recovery in cash in addition to the New GO Bonds and GO CVIs that PBA bondholders will receive on account of their CW Guarantee Claims.
- Various categories of clawback creditor claims (Classes 59-63): 23% recovery consisting of the Clawback CVIs.
- ERS Bond Claims (Class 65): 16% recovery consisting of cash and interests in the ERS Private Equity Portfolio.
- Various categories of General Unsecured Claims (Classes 13, 58, and 66): 21% recovery in cash.
- Other miscellaneous claims (Classes 52-57, 64, 67-69): 26% recovery in cash.

For general unsecured claims, the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment provides for separate levels of creditor cash recoveries at each debtor, as applicable. All general unsecured claims against the Commonwealth, ERS, and PBA are discharged, except certain Eminent Domain/Inverse Condemnation Claims (as defined in the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment) that are not discharged until they receive payment in full. All other general unsecured creditors at the Commonwealth will receive a pro rata share of the general unsecured creditor reserve fund (the GUC Reserve), plus amounts received by the Avoidance Actions Trust (as defined in and established under the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment) up to 40% of the value of their claim. The GUC Reserve was funded with \$200 million on the Commonwealth Effective Date and will be replenished with an additional aggregate total amount of \$375 million funded in incremental amounts annually through December 31, 2025. ERS's general unsecured creditors, which consists of \$500,000 plus any net recoveries by the Avoidance Actions Trust allocable to ERS. PBA's general unsecured creditors will be entitled to a cash payment equal to 10% of their claim upon allowance

The Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment preserves all accrued pension benefits for active and retired public employees under Class 51. However, participants of the Retirement System for the Judiciary of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (JRS) and Teachers Retirement System of Puerto Rico (TRS) will be subject to benefits freeze, and the elimination of any cost-of-living adjustments (or COLAs) previously authorized under the JRS and TRS pension plans.

## NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMETS (CONTINUED)

#### JUNE 30, 2024

# NOTE 4 – THE PUERTO RICO OVERSIGHT, MANAGEMENT, AND ECONOMIC STABILITY ACT (PROMESA) (CONTINUED)

## **PROMESA TITLE III CASES - continued**

#### (b) Commonwealth Title III Case - continued

The Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment also created the Pension Reserve Trust for the purpose of providing budgetary support to meet the Commonwealth's pay-as-you-go pension obligations under Act 106. The Pension Reserve Trust will be funded through a yearly base contribution of \$175 million and an additional contribution based on the Commonwealth's outperformance of projected surplus after debt-service, with contribution ending in fiscal year 2032. Starting in fiscal year 2032, the Commonwealth will be able to request budgetary support from the Pension Reserve Trust pursuant to Section V of the Pension Reserve Guidelines.

The Commonwealth's Plan of Adjustment provided that the PBA leases be deemed rejected effective upon the earliest occurrence of one of various events which ultimately occurred on June 30, 2022; no other event occurred before this date.

From the Effective Date of the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment through June 30, 2022, the monthly lease payments between PBA, as a lessor, and the Commonwealth or its discretely presented component units, as lessees, were limited to the lower of (i) the amount budgeted and approved pursuant to the certified fiscal plan and (ii) the monthly costs and expenses associated with the applicable leased property. Any past due accruals on PBA, the Commonwealth, or its discretely presented component units for debt service rent under a PBA lease were deemed released under the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment.

The execution of the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment resulted in an extraordinary gain on debt restructuring as follows (in thousands):

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As a result of the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment, the bond obligations of the Commonwealth, PBA, PRIFA, ERS, PA and PRCCDA have been discharged and in certain instances, replaced with restructured bond debt.

For further information on the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment, Findings of Fact, and Confirmation Order, which are available at <a href="https://cases.ra.kroll.com/puertorico/Home-DocketInfo">https://cases.ra.kroll.com/puertorico/Home-DocketInfo</a>.

#### NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMETS (CONTINUED)

## JUNE 30, 2024

# NOTE 5 – COLLECTED TAXES ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO

As of June 30, 2024, the Office collected taxes over insurance premiums and other funds on behalf of the Department of Treasury of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico amounting to approximately \$86,957million. These collections are not reflected in the accompanying statement of cash receipts and cash disbursements since the Office only serves as a collector agent of these funds.

## NOTE 6 – COMMITMENTS

The Office leases various properties and equipment under an operating lease agreement that expire on May 31, 2027. The agreement includes office facilities, 2 warehouses in a basement, and 76 parking spaces. It also includes common area maintenance charges and electricity expenses. In addition, the Office has several non-cancellable parking and operating leases for equipment expiring at different dates through January 2024 and thereafter.

Rental expenditures for the year ended June 30, 2024 related to such commitments amounted to approximately <u>\$760,000</u>. The rental disclosure is composed of the following elements:

| Office Rental and/or Lease              | \$756,470         |
|---|-------------------|
| Rental and/or Lease of Office Equipment | <u>_36,280</u>    |
| Total                                   | \$ <u>792,750</u> |

The minimum rental commitments for leases in effect at June 30, are as follows:

| <u>Year Ending June 30,</u> | Amount    |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| 2025                        | \$999,362 |
| 2026                        | 999,362   |
| 2027                        | 916,082   |

#### NOTE 7 – PENSION PLAN

Plan Description – Prior to Act No. 106-2017, ERS administered different benefit structures pursuant to Act No. 447-1951, as amended, including a cost-sharing, multi-employer, defined benefit program, a defined contribution program (System 2000 program) and a contributory hybrid program.

Benefit provisions vary depending on member's date of hire. Substantially all full-time employees of the Commonwealth and its instrumentalities (the Commonwealth, municipalities, and public corporations) were covered by the ERS. These benefits were paid by the ERS until June 30, 2018. Through Act No. 106-2017, the Commonwealth transformed the retirement systems into a single pay-as-you-go system (whereby future benefit payments are guaranteed by the Commonwealth's General Fund) and created the Retirement System Board as the new Retirement Systems governing body. Certain provisions are different for the three groups of members who entered ERS prior to July 1, 2013, as described below:

## NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMETS (CONTINUED)

JUNE 30, 2024

#### NOTE 7 – PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

• Members of Act No. 447-1951 are generally those members hired before April 1, 1990 (contributory, defined benefit program).

• Members of Act No. 1-1990 are generally those members hired on or after April 1, 1990, and on or before December 31, 1999 (together with Act No. 447 participants, the Defined Benefit Program).

Members of Act No. 305-1999 (Act No. 305-1999 or System 2000) are generally those • members hired on or after January 1, 2000, and on or before June 30, 2013 (the System 2000 Program). All regular employees hired for the first time on or after July 1, 2013, and former employees who participated in the defined benefit program and the System 2000 program, and were rehired on or after July 1, 2013, became members of the Contributory Hybrid Program as a condition to their employment. In addition, participant employees of previous programs as of June 30, 2013, became part of the Contributory Hybrid Program on July 1, 2013. In addition, Act No. 3-2013 froze all retirement benefits accrued through June 30, 2013 under the defined benefit program and thereafter, all future benefits accrued under the defined contribution formula used for the System 2000 program participants. Pursuant to a settlement incorporated into the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment, on the Effective Date of the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment, all participants in the System 2000 Program received a one-time payment in the amount of their contributions (plus accrued interest) as of the Commonwealth's petition date in their defined contribution accounts established under Act No. 106-2017. Upon the payment of these refunds, all claims related to the System 2000 Program were discharged.

The following summary of ERS plan provisions is intended to describe the essential features of the plan. All eligibility requirements and benefit amounts should be determined in strict accordance with the applicable laws and regulations.

#### (i) Service Retirements

(a) Eligibility for Act No. 447-1951 Members: Act No. 447-1951 members who were eligible to retire as of June 30, 2013, would continue to be eligible to retire at any time. Prior to July 1, 2013, Act No. 447-1951 members could retire upon (1) attainment of age 55 with 25 years of credited service; (2) attainment of age 58 with 10 years of credited service; (3) any age with 30 years of credited service; (4) for Public Officers in High Risk Positions (the PRPOB and Commonwealth Firefighter Corps, the Municipal Police and Firefighter Corps and the Custody Office Corps), attainment of age 50 with 25 years of credited service; and (5) for Mayors of municipalities, attainment of age 50 with 8 years of credited service as a Mayor. In addition, Act No. 447-1951 members who would attain 30 years of credited service by December 31, 2013, would be eligible to retire at any time. Act No. 447-1951 members who were not eligible to retire as of June 30, 2013, and did not attain 30 years of credited service by December 31, 2013, are eligible to retire upon attainment of the retirement eligibility age shown in the table below with 10 years of credited service.

## NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMETS (CONTINUED)

#### JUNE 30, 2024

#### NOTE 7 – PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

| Date of birth                 | Attained age<br>as of June 30,<br>2013 | Retirement<br><u>eligibility age</u> |
|-------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| July 1, 1957 or later         | 55 or less                             | 61                                   |
| July 1, 1956 to June 30, 1957 | 56                                     | 60                                   |
| Before July 1, 1956           | 57 and up                              | 59                                   |

In addition to the requirements in the table above, Act No. 447-1951 Public Officers in High-Risk Positions who were not eligible to retire as of June 30, 2013, and did not attain 30 years of credited service by December 31, 2013, are eligible to retire directly from active service upon the attainment of age 55 with 30 years of credited service.

(b) Eligibility for Act No. 1-1990 Members: Act No. 1-1990 members who were eligible to retire as of June 30, 2013, continue to be eligible to retire at any time. Prior to July 1, 2013, Act No. 1-1990 members could retire upon (1) attainment of age 55 with 25 years of credited service; (2) attainment of age 65 with 10 years of credited service; (3) for public officers in high-risk positions, any age with 30 years of credited service; and (4) for Mayors, attainment of age 50 with 8 years of credited service as a Mayor.

Act No. 1-1990 members who were not eligible to retire as of June 30, 2013, are eligible to retire upon attainment of age 65 with 10 years of credited service. In addition, Act No. 1-1990 public officers in high-risk positions who were not eligible to retire as of June 30, 2013, are eligible to retire directly from active service upon the attainment of age 55 with 30 years of credited service.

(c) Eligibility for System 2000 Members: System 2000 members who were eligible to retire as of June 30, 2013, continue to be eligible to retire at any time. Prior to July 1, 2013, System 2000 members could retire upon attainment of age 55 for public officers in high-risk positions and attainment of age 60 otherwise.

System 2000 members who were not eligible to retire as of June 30, 2013, are eligible to retire upon attainment of age 55 for public officers in high-risk positions and upon attainment of the retirement eligibility age shown in the table below otherwise.

| Date of birth                 | Attained age<br>as of June 30,<br>2021 | Retirement<br>eligibility age |
|-------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|
| July 1, 1957 or later         | 55 or less                             | 65                            |
| July 1, 1956 to June 30, 1957 | 56                                     | 64                            |
| July 1, 1955 to June 30, 1956 | 57                                     | 63                            |
| July 1, 1954 to June 30, 1955 | 58                                     | 62                            |
| Before July 1, 1954           | 59 and up                              | 61                            |

### NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMETS (CONTINUED)

#### JUNE 30, 2024

#### NOTE 7 – PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

- (d) Eligibility for Members Hired after June 30, 2013: Attainment of age 58 if a public officer in a high-risk position and attainment of age 67 otherwise.
- (ii) Service Retirement Annuity Benefits

An annuity payable for the lifetime of the member equal to the annuitized value of the balance in the hybrid contribution account at the time of retirement, plus, for Act No. 447-1951 and Act No. 1-1990 members, the accrued benefit determined as of June 30, 2013. If the balance in the hybrid contribution account was \$10,000 or less, it would have been paid as a lump sum instead of as an annuity. For System 2000 participants this service retirement benefit is not available.

(a) Accrued Benefit as of June 30, 2013, for Act No. 447-1951 Members: The accrued benefit as of June 30, 2013, was determined based on the average compensation, as defined, for Act No. 447-1951 members, the years of credited service, and the attained age of the member all as of June 30, 2013. For Mayors, the highest compensation, as defined, for Act No. 447-1951 members, determined as of June 30, 2013. If the Act No. 447-1951 member had at least 30 years of credited service as of June 30, 2013, the accrued benefit equals 65% of average compensation if the member was under age 55 as of June 30, 2013. For participants selecting the Coordination Plan, the benefit was recalculated at the Social Security Retirement Age (SSRA), as defined, as 1.5% of average compensation up to \$6,600 multiplied by years of credited service, up to 30 years, plus 65% (75% if member was at least age 55 as of June 30, 2013) of average compensation in excess of \$6,600.

If the Act No. 447-1951 member had less than 30 years of credited service as of June 30, 2013, and attained 30 years of credited service by December 31, 2013, the accrued benefit equalled 55% of average compensation if the member was under age 55 as of June 30, 2013, or 60% of average compensation if the member was at least age 55 as of June 30, 2013. For participants selecting the Coordination Plan, the benefit was recalculated at SSRA as 1.5% of average compensation up to \$6,600 multiplied by years of credited service, up to 30 years, plus 55% (60% if member was at least age 55 as of June 30, 2013) of average compensation in excess of \$6,600. Member contributions received from Act No. 447-1951 members eligible for this transitory benefit during the period beginning July 1, 2013, and ending upon the attainment of 30 years of credited service were considered pre- July 1, 2013, contributions; the contributions to the hybrid contribution account begin after the member attains 30 years of credited service.

If the Act No. 447-1951 member had less than 30 years of credited service as of December 31, 2013, the accrued benefit equalled 1.5% of average compensation multiplied by years of credited service up to 20 years, plus 2% of average compensation multiplied by years of credited service in excess of 20 years.

## NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMETS (CONTINUED)

#### JUNE 30, 2024

#### NOTE 7 - PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

Maximum benefit is 75% of average compensation. Except for the PRPOB policemen and Commonwealth Firefighters, the benefit was actuarially reduced for each year payment commences prior to age 58. For participants selecting the Coordination Plan, the basic benefit is recalculated at SSRA as 1% of average compensation up to \$6,600 multiplied by years of credited service up to 20 years, plus 1.5% of average compensation up to \$6,600 multiplied by years of credited service in excess of 20 years, plus 1.5% of average compensation in excess of \$6,600 multiplied by years of credited service up to 20 years, plus 2.0% of average compensation in excess of \$6,600 multiplied by years of credited service in excess of \$6,600 multiplied by years of credited service in excess of \$6,600 multiplied by years of credited service in excess of \$6,600 multiplied by years of credited service in excess of \$6,600 multiplied by years of credited service in excess of 20 years. Except for police and firefighters, the benefit was actuarially reduced for each year payment commences prior to age 58.

For Act No. 447-1951, Mayors with at least 8 years of credited service as a Mayor, the accrued benefit was not to be less than 5% of highest compensation, as defined, as a Mayor for each year of credited service as a Mayor up to 10 years, plus 1.5% of highest compensation as Mayor for each year of non-Mayoral credited service up to 20 years, plus 2.0% of highest compensation as Mayor for each year of non-Mayoral credited service in excess of 20 years. Non-Mayoral credited service included service earned as a Mayor in excess of 10 years. Maximum benefit was 90% of highest compensation as a Mayor.

(b) Accrued Benefit as of June 30, 2013, for Act No. 1-1990 Members: The accrued benefit as of June 30, 2013, is determined based on the average compensation for Act No. 1-1990 members, the years of credited service, and the attained age of the member all as of June 30, 2013. For Act No. 1-1990 Mayors, the highest compensation as a Mayor was determined as of June 30, 2013.

If the Act No. 1-1990 member is a police officer or firefighter member that had at least 30 years of credited service as of June 30, 2013, the accrued benefit equalled 65% of average compensation if the member was under age 55 as of June 30, 2013, or 75% of average compensation if the member was at least age 55 as of June 30, 2013.

For all other Act No. 1-1990 members, the accrued benefit equalled 1.5% of average compensation multiplied by years of credited service. The benefit was actuarially reduced for each year payment commences prior to age 65.

For Act No. 1-1990 Mayors with at least 8 years of credited service as a Mayor, the accrued benefit was not to be less than 5% of highest compensation as a Mayor for each year of credited service as a Mayor up to 10 years, plus 1.5% of highest compensation as Mayor for each year of non-Mayoral credited service up to 20 years, plus 2.0% of highest compensation as Mayor for each year of non-Mayoral credited service in excess of 20 years.

## NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMETS (CONTINUED)

#### JUNE 30, 2024

## NOTE 7 - PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

Non-Mayoral credited service included service earned as a Mayor in excess of 10 years. Maximum benefit is 90% of highest compensation as a Mayor.

(iii) Compulsory Retirement

All Act No. 447-1951 and Act No. 1-1990 Public Officers in High-Risk Positions were required to retire upon attainment of age 58 and 30 years of credited service. A two-year- extension may be requested by the member from the Superintendent of the PRPOB, the Chief of the Firefighter Corps, or supervising authority as applicable.

- (iv) Termination Benefits
  - (a) Lump Sum Withdrawal

Eligibility: A Member was eligible upon termination of service prior to 5 years of service or if the balance in the hybrid contribution account is \$10,000 or less.

Benefit: The benefit equalled a lump sum payment of the balance in the hybrid contribution account as of the date of the permanent separation of service.

(b) Deferred Retirement

Eligibility: A Member was eligible upon termination of service with 5 or more years of service (10 years of credited service for Act No. 447-1951 and Act No. 1-1990 members) prior to the applicable retirement eligibility, provided the member had not taken a lump sum withdrawal of the accumulated contributions from the hybrid contribution account.

Benefit: An annuity payable for the lifetime of the member commencing at the applicable retirement eligibility age equal to the annuitized value of the balance in the hybrid contribution account at the time of retirement, plus, for Act No. 447-1951 and Act No. 1-1990 members, the accrued benefit determined as of June 30, 2013.

- (v) Death Benefits
  - (a) Pre-retirement Death Benefit

Eligibility: Any current nonretired member was eligible.

Benefit: A refund of the hybrid contribution account, plus the accumulated contributions for Act No. 447-1951 and Act No. 1-1990 members.

### NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMETS (CONTINUED)

#### JUNE 30, 2024

#### NOTE 7 – PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

(b) High Risk Death Benefit under Act No. 127-1958

Eligibility: Police, firefighters, and other employees in specified high-risk positions who die in the line of work due to reasons specified in Act No. 127-1958, as amended.

Spouse's Benefit: 50% of the participant's compensation at date of death, payable as an annuity until death or remarriage.

Children's Benefit: 50% of the participant's compensation at date of death, payable as an annuity, and allocated pro rata among eligible children. The annuity was payable for life for a disabled child, until age 18 for a nondisabled child not pursuing studies, and until age 25 for a nondisabled child who is pursuing studies.

Benefit if No Spouse or Children: The parents of the member should each receive 50% of the participant's compensation at date of death, payable as an annuity for life.

Post death Increases: Effective July 1, 1996, and subsequently every three-years, the above death benefits are increased by 3% provided that the beneficiary(ies) had been receiving payments for at least three-years. The cost of these benefits was paid by the Commonwealth.

(c) Postretirement Death Benefit for Members Who Retired prior to July 1, 2013

Eligibility: Any retiree or disabled member receiving a monthly benefit who had not elected a reversionary annuity and whose benefits commenced prior to July 1, 2013.

Benefit: The benefit is as follows (Act No. 105, as amended by Act No. 4):

i. For those married or with dependent children at the time of death, the annual income to a widow, or widower or dependent children is equal to 60% (50% if in the Coordination Plan – 30%, prior to January 1, 2004) of the retirement benefit payable for life for a surviving spouse and/or disabled children and payable until age 18 (age 25 if pursuing studies) for nondisabled children. If in the Coordination Plan, the benefit to the surviving spouse does not begin until the spouse's attainment of age 60 and the surviving spouse must have been married to the member for at least 10 years to be eligible for this benefit. The increase in the percentage from 30% to 50% if in the Coordination Plan is paid by the Commonwealth for former government employees or by the public enterprise or municipality for their former employees. See Act No. 105 of 1969, as amended by Act No. 158 of 2003.

## NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMETS (CONTINUED)

#### JUNE 30, 2024

#### NOTE 7 – PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

ii. The benefit, when there is no relation as stated above, is equal to the remaining balance of accumulated contributions at the time of retirement after the deduction of lifetime annual income paid and is payable to a beneficiary or to the Member's estate. In no case may the benefit be less than \$1,000. Either the Commonwealth for former government employees or the public enterprise or municipality for their former employees pays the difference, up to \$250, between (1) the accumulated contributions less the lifetime annual income paid and (2) \$1,000. ERS pays for the rest. See Article 2-113 of Act No. 447- 1951, as amended by Act No. 524-2004.

(d) Postretirement Death Benefit for Members Who Retired after June 30, 2013

Eligibility: Any retiree or disabled member who began receiving a monthly benefit after June 30, 2013.

Benefit: If the member elected at the time of retirement to transfer a portion of the annuity to a beneficiary by selecting an actuarially equivalent optional form of payment, the applicable survivor benefit. For all members, the excess, if any, of the hybrid contribution account, plus the accumulated contributions for Act No. 447-1951 and Act No. 1-1990 members, at the time of retirement over the total annuity payments paid to the member and any beneficiary per the terms of the optional form of payment must be payable to a beneficiary or the member's estate.

- (e) Beneficiaries receiving occupational death benefits as of June 30, 2013, continue to be eligible to receive such benefits.
- (vi) Disability Benefits
  - (a) Disability

Eligibility: All members are eligible upon the occurrence of disability.

Benefit: The balance of the hybrid contribution account payable as lump sum distribution, an immediate annuity, or a deferred annuity at the election of the participant. Act No. 447-1951 and Act No. 1-1990 members remain eligible to receive the accrued benefit as of June 30, 2013, commencing at the applicable retirement eligibility age.

(b) High Risk Disability under Act No. 127-1958

Eligibility: Police, firefighters, and other employees in specified high-risk positions who are disabled in the line of work due to reasons specified in Act No. 127-1958 (as amended).

## NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMETS (CONTINUED)

#### JUNE 30, 2024

#### NOTE 7 – PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

Benefit: 80% (100% for Act No. 447-1951 members) of compensation as of date of disability, payable as an annuity. If the member diod while still disabled, this annuity benefit continued to his beneficiaries. Beneficiaries include the surviving spouse and/or disabled children (for life), nondisabled children until age 18 (age 25 if pursuing studies), and the parents if no other beneficiaries. Effective July 1, 1996, and subsequently every three-years, the disability benefit was increased by 3% provided that the member (or beneficiary) had been receiving payments for at least three-years (Act No. 127-1958, as amended). The cost of these benefits was paid by the Commonwealth.

(b) Members who qualified for occupational or nonoccupational disability benefits as of June 30, 2013, continue to be eligible to receive such benefits.

#### (vii) Special Benefits

#### (a) Minimum Benefits

i. Past Ad hoc Increases: The Legislature, from time to time, increased pensions for certain retirees as described in Act No. 124-1973 and Act No. 23-1983.

ii. Minimum Benefit for Members Who Retired before July 1, 2013 (Act No. 156-2003, Act No. 35-2007, and Act No. 3-2013): The minimum monthly lifetime income for members who retired or become disabled before July 1, 2013, is \$500 per month effective July 1, 2013 (\$400 per month effective July 1, 2007, and \$300 per month up to June 30, 2007).

iii. Coordination Plan Minimum Benefit: A minimum monthly benefit was payable upon attainment of SSRA such that the benefit, when added to the Social Security Benefit, was not less than the benefit payable prior to SSRA.

(b) Cost of Living Adjustments (COLA) to Pension Benefits: The Legislature, from time to time, increased pensions by 3% for retired and disabled members. Beneficiaries were not entitled to COLAs granted after the retiree's death. The first increase was granted by Act No. 10-1992. Subsequent 3% increases have been granted every third year since 1992, with the latest 3% increase established on April 24, 2007, and effective July 1, 2007 (retroactive to January 1, 2007) for retired and disabled members that were receiving a monthly benefit on or before January 1, 2004 (Act No. 35-2007). In addition, effective July 1, 2008, any retired or disabled member that was receiving a monthly annuity on or before January 1, 2004, less than \$1,250 per month received an increase of up to 3% without exceeding the limit of \$1,250 per month (Act No. 35-2007).

## NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMETS (CONTINUED)

## JUNE 30, 2024

#### NOTE 7 – PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

Under the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment, all COLAs have been eliminated from and after the Effective Date (i.e., on or after March 15, 2022). For further information on the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment's impact on pension benefits, refer to the final version of the Commonwealth Plan of Adjustment, which is available at https://cases.ra.kroll.com/puertorico/Home-DocketInfo.

- (c) Special "Bonus" Benefits
  - (i) Christmas Bonus (Act No. 144-2005, as Amended by Act No. 3-2013): An annual bonus of \$200 for each retiree, beneficiary, and disabled member has historically been paid in December provided the member retired prior to July 1, 2013.
  - (ii) Medication Bonus (Act No. 155-2003, as Amended by Act No. 3-2013): An annual bonus of \$100 for each retiree, beneficiary, and disabled member to cover health costs paid in July provided the member retired prior to July 1, 2013. Evidence of coverage is not required. The amount is prorated if there are multiple beneficiaries.

Before July 1, 2017, the Commonwealth made contributions to the ERS for the special benefits granted by special laws. The funding of the special benefits was provided to the ERS through legislative appropriations each January 1 and July 1. Special benefits to eligible Act 447-1951 participants are being paid by each employer as they become due since July 1, 2017.

#### (viii) Early Retirement Programs

On July 2, 2010, the Commonwealth enacted Act No. 70 establishing a program that provides benefits for early retirement or economic incentives for voluntary employment termination to eligible employees, as defined. Act No. 70-2010 also established that early retirement benefits will be provided to eligible employees that have completed between 15 and 29 years of creditable services and will consist of monthly benefits ranging from 37.5% to 50% of each employees' monthly salary. Benefits under this program will be paid by the General Fund of the Commonwealth (the General Fund) and by the public corporations, covering their respective employees until the plan member reaches the later of age 55 for members under Act No. 447-1951 or age 65 for members under Act No. 1-1990, or the date the plan member would have completed 30 years of service had the member continued employment. In addition, the public corporations will also be required to continue making the required employee and employer contributions to ERS. The General Fund will be required to continue making its required employer contributions. ERS will be responsible for benefit payments afterward.

## NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMETS (CONTINUED)

## JUNE 30, 2024

### NOTE 7 - PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

On December 8, 2015, the Commonwealth enacted the Voluntary Early Retirement Law, Act No. 211 of 2015 (Act No. 211-2015), establishing a voluntary program to provide preretirement benefits to eligible employees, as defined. Act 106-2017 repealed Act No. 211-2015, while creating an incentives, opportunities, and retraining program for public workers.

New Defined Contribution Plan

The Commonwealth, through Act No. 106-2017, created a "New Defined Contribution Plan" that consisted of a trust fund, not subject to the provisions of Act No. 219-2012, known as "The Trusts Act", that will maintain an individual account for each participant of the Retirement Systems that becomes a participant of the plan.

The following employees will participate in the New Defined Contribution Plan:

• All active participants of the Retirement Systems as of July 1, 2017; except for members of Teachers Retirement System and Judiciary Retirement System that will keep vesting benefits under the provisions of Act No. 91-2004, as amended and Act No. 12-1954, as amended.

• New hires entering the public service workforce after July,1 2017

 Any business or public corporation with employees not participating in the Retirement Systems as of July 1, 2017, can, through an approved resolution by its board of directors or governing body, join the New Defined Contribution Plan. The Retirement Systems Board is responsible of establishing the eligibility requirements and procedures to be followed to join the New Defined Contribution Plan.

Enrolment in the New Defined Contribution Plan is optional for the Governor, secretaries and chiefs of agencies and public corporations; assistants and advisors of the Governor; members of commissions and boards appointed by the Governor; members of the Legislature; and employees and officials of the Legislature, the Office of Legislative Services, the Superintendence of the Capitol Building and the Office of the Comptroller of Puerto Rico. Also, enrolment will be optional for employees of departments, divisions, bureaus, offices, dependencies, public corporations, and instrumentalities of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico working and living outside the territorial limits of Puerto Rico.

## NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMETS (CONTINUED)

#### JUNE 30, 2024

### NOTE 7 – PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

#### (i) Contributions

Contributions by members consists, as a minimum, of an 8.5% of their compensation directly deposited in the individual member accounts under the New Defined Contribution Plan created pursuant to Act No. 106-2017. Also, as of that date, System's participants shall make no individual contributions or payments to the accumulated pension benefits payment account or additional contributions to ERS.

Employer contributions made during the year ended June 30, 2024 amounted to \$1,056,999.

Total covered payroll for the year ended June 30, 2024, was approximately \$4.1 million. Additional information on the System is provided in its financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2022, a copy of which can be obtained from Retirement System Administration – PO Box 42003, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00949.

#### NOTE 8 – CONTIGENCIES

The Office is subject to various litigations, claims and assessments arising in the normal course of its operations. Management believes that the ultimate resolution of these matters, either individually or in the aggregate, will not have a material adverse effect in the Office's financial statement or result of operations.

#### **NOTE 9 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

The Office has evaluated subsequent events through October 30,2024, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued. No other events have occurred subsequent to the statement of cash receipts and cash disbursements year ended date and to the date the financial statement was available to be issued, that would require additional adjustment to, or disclosure in, the financial statement.

## BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS

## JUNE 30, 2024

|   | <b>Budgeted Amount</b> |                     | Actual              | Variance                            |  |
|---|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
|   | Original               | Final               | Final               | Final Budget<br>Positive/(Negative) |  |
| Cash Receipts                               |                        |                     |                     |                                     |  |
| Licenses                                    | \$11,293,072           | \$11,293,072        | \$11,515,908        | \$222,836                           |  |
| Fines                                       | 479,797                | 479,797             | 331,888             | (147,909)                           |  |
| Testing fees                                | 653,300                | 653,300             | 700,210             | 46,910                              |  |
| Sales of publications                       | 31,792                 | 31,792              | 26,119              | (5,673)                             |  |
| Other                                       | 61,007                 | 61,007              | 145,229             | 84,222                              |  |
| Total Cash Receipts                         | 12,518,968             | 12,518,968          | 12,719,354          | 200,386                             |  |
| Cash Disbursements                          |                        |                     |                     |                                     |  |
| Payroll and related items                   | 5,981,000              | 5,981,000           | 4,330,551           | 1,650,449                           |  |
| "Pay go" expenses                           | 1,308,000              | 1,308,000           | 1,056,999           | 251,001                             |  |
| Facilities and payments for public services | 32,000                 | 32,000              | 22,964              | 9,036                               |  |
| Purchased services                          | 964,000                | 1,010,443           | 907,267             | 103,176                             |  |
| Donations, subsidies and distributions      | -                      | •                   | -                   | ,<br>-                              |  |
| Transportation and subsistence expenses     | 23,000                 | 23,000              | 8,631               | 14,369                              |  |
| Professional services and consultants       | 3,941,000              | 3,894,557           | 2,180,057           | 1,714,500                           |  |
| Material and supplies                       | 26,000                 | 26,000              | 25,257              | 743                                 |  |
| Equipment purchases                         | 251,000                | 251,000             | 143,339             | 107,661                             |  |
| Ads and media guidelines                    | 15,000                 | 15,000              | 3,744               | 11,256                              |  |
| Other expenses                              | 111.000                | 111.000             | 123,053             | (12,053)                            |  |
| Total Cash Disbursements                    | 12,652,000             | 12,652,000          | <u>8,801,862</u>    | 3,850,138                           |  |
| Excess of cash receipts over cash           |                        |                     |                     |                                     |  |
| disbursements, net                          | \$ <u>(133,032)</u>    | \$ <u>(133,032)</u> | \$ <u>3,917,492</u> | \$ <u>4,050,524</u>                 |  |

See Notes to the Budgetary Comparison of Receipt and Disbursements - General Fund

## NOTES TO BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS

## JUNE 30, 2024

#### NOTE 1 – BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The Budgetary Comparison Schedule of Cash Receipts and Cash Disbursements for the General Operational Fund has been prepared using the cash basis method of accounting. It is drawn primarily from the Office's internal accounting records, which are the basis for the Office's Statement of Cash Receipts and Cash Disbursements.

## NOTE 2 – BUDGET AND BUDGETARY ACCOUNTING

The Office's budget system primary purpose is to exercise control over expenditures. Budgets are prepared annually and revised semi-annually as required. The budget is prepared on the same cash basis of accounting as applied to the governmental funds in the Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements. Budgetary control procedures require the obligation of funds before purchase orders can be placed; that is applicable appropriations must be reserved before purchase orders or contracts can be entered into. Obligated appropriations at year end carry over to the next year and are not reported as part of next year's budget.

For budgetary purposes, encumbrances accounting is used. The encumbrances (that is, purchase order, contracts) are considered expenditures when paid.