

VERIFIER STATEMENT

Independent Impact Management Verification

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BACKGROUND

As a signatory of the Operating Principles for Impact Management (the Principles), LGT VP is committed to disclosing the degree of alignment of its impact management (IM) system with the Principles.¹ LGT VP engaged Tideline to undertake the assessment.

ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY

Tideline reviewed LGT VP's set of IM tools and processes for the purpose of assessing its degree of alignment with the Principles.² To do so, Tideline used a proprietary rubric informed by:

1. The text of each Principle and associated implementation guidance;
2. Tideline's proprietary process assessment criteria, which are mapped to each Principle; and
3. Tideline's retained knowledge of the state of IM practices

SUMMARY ASSESSMENT

Tideline conducted an assessment to verify the LGT VP IM system's degree of alignment with the Principles. As of Mar. 31, 2020, LGT VP's AUM covered by the Principles totals US\$35.5 million³. Key takeaways from the assessment are:

- **Areas of strength:** LGT VP has clear and defined social and environmental impact objectives for each of the three thematic areas of focus mapped to the UN SDGs (Principle 1) and has integrated impact considerations into the screening, diligence, and execution phases of investments in a clearly articulated and documented process (Principle 2). LGT VP also measures impact KPIs quarterly for each investment and tracks performance against defined targets (Principle 6).
- **Areas for improvement:** LGT VP may consider formalizing standard metric sets for each investment theme to enable aggregation of data and ability to analyze portfolio-wide impact to derive learnings (Principle 4), as well as formalizing or documenting processes already in practice, most notably for ongoing ESG performance and risk assessment (Principle 5).

ABOUT TIDELINE

Tideline Advisors, LLC is a certified women-owned advisory firm in impact investing. Since its founding in 2014, Tideline has become a recognized leader in impact measurement and management, focused on the design and verification of IM systems with leading asset owners and managers. In 2020, Tideline established a subsidiary with a separate, dedicated team focused on impact management verification.

Tideline has offices in New York, NY and San Francisco, CA and is headquartered at 915 Battery St, San Francisco, CA 94111, USA.

¹ Principle 9 states that signatories shall "publicly disclose alignment with the Principles and provide regular independent verification of the alignment: The Manager shall publicly disclose, on an annual basis, the alignment of its impact management systems with the Principles and, at regular intervals, arrange for independent verification of this alignment. The conclusions of this verification report shall also be publicly disclosed. These disclosures are subject to fiduciary and regulatory concerns."

² Tideline's full assessment for LGT VP states each of the Principles, describes the LGT VP IM processes covered by the Principles, and identifies areas where further alignment is appropriate and feasible. The scope of Tideline's assessment procedures does not include the verification of the resulting impacts achieved. Tideline's assessment is based on its analyses of publicly available information and information in reports and other material provided by LGT VP. Tideline has relied on the accuracy and completeness of any such information provided by LGT VP. The assessment results represent Tideline's professional judgment based on the procedures performed and information obtained.

³ Reflects cost of investment