**Date:** June 30, 2017

**To:** Multnomah County 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan Participants & Beneficiaries

**From:** Chris Yager, Chair, Multnomah County Deferred Compensation Committee

**Subject:** Investment Structure and Name Change - Wells Fargo Dow Jones Target Date Series

Dear Deferred Compensation Plan Participants and Beneficiaries:

The Deferred Compensation Committee (Committee) actively monitors the investment offerings in the County’s Deferred Compensation Plan according to criteria established in our Investment Policy Statement (IPS). It has recently come to our attention that the investment structure in the Wells Fargo Funds will be changing. To begin, the current Wells Fargo Dow Jones Target Date Series that is offered in the Plan, will be renamed effective July 14, 2017. The fund series name will change to “Wells Fargo Target Date Funds”, eliminating “Dow Jones” from the name. More importantly, the fund series’ investment structure will be fundamentally changed by modestly increasing equity exposure and expanding the investment universe (among other things) while reducing expenses.

The Plan’s IPS specifically requires that investments must have a five (5) year track record to be included in the Plan. With this announced change of structure, the Wells Fargo funds no longer meet this requirement. Therefore, the Committee has decided to ask our investment consultants to research the universe of target date funds available to our Plan, and provide a suitability analysis of alternative target date funds that will comply with the IPS five (5) year minimum history. This analysis will be provided to the Committee within the next couple of months.

The IPS five year track record requirement is designed to help us offer funds with a proven history in the market. This is useful for participants because it helps us provide funds that have endured market ups and downs and have a longer investment performance history for our consultants to review for suitability for our Plan.

Replacement action taken by the Committee will be announced to all participants from our Plan record-keeper, Voya Financial, once a decision has been made.

Plan participants will not need to do anything with their investments. Once the Committee has decided upon a replacement target date fund series, Voya Financial will be directed to transition all current target date fund assets to the new series.

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