

MFS SERIES TRUST IX  
Form 40-17G  
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United States Securities and Exchange Commission  
100 F Street, N.E.  
Washington, DC 20549

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to Rule 17g-1(g) under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, enclosed herewith for filing are the following documents:

1. A copy of the resolution of the Board of Trustees approving the form and amount of the bonds:
  - a. Certificate of Assistant Secretary for MFS Series Trust I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X, XI, XII, XIII, XIV, XV, XVI, MFS Municipal Series Trust, MFS Variable Insurance Trust, MFS Variable Insurance Trust II, MFS Variable Insurance Trust III, MFS Institutional Trust, Massachusetts Investors Trust, Massachusetts Investors Growth Stock Fund, MFS California Municipal Fund, MFS Charter Income Trust, MFS Government Markets Income Trust, MFS High Income Municipal Trust, MFS High Yield Municipal Trust, MFS Intermediate High Income Fund, MFS Intermediate Income Trust, MFS Investment Grade Municipal Trust, MFS Multimarket Income Trust, MFS Municipal Income Trust, MFS InterMarket Income Trust I and MFS Special Value Trust, dated February 4, 2016;
2. Fidelity Bond Claim Agreement, dated November 1, 1993, as amended and restated June 12, 2002, as amended and restated June 12, 2002, as amended and restated March 1, 2008, (including Exhibit A, as of July 15, 2015 and Exhibit B, as of November 1, 2014), between the investment company and all other parties to the joint insured bonds entered into pursuant to paragraph (f) of the Rule; and

3. Copies of the executed bonds:

- Federal Insurance Company – Bond No. – 81391896 - Declarations
- Federal Insurance Company – Bond No.– 81391896 - Endorsement No. 1
- Federal Insurance Company – Bond No.– 81391896 - Endorsement No. 2
- Federal Insurance Company – Bond No.– 81391896 - Endorsement No. 3
- Federal Insurance Company – Bond No.– 81391896 - Endorsement No. 4
- Federal Insurance Company – Bond No.– 81391896 - Endorsement No. 5
- Federal Insurance Company – Bond No.– 81391896 - Endorsement No. 6
- Federal Insurance Company – Bond No.– 81391896 - Endorsement No. 7
- Federal Insurance Company – Bond No.– 81391896 - Endorsement No. 8
- Federal Insurance Company – Bond No.– 81391896 - Endorsement No. 9
- Federal Insurance Company – Bond No.– 81391896 - Endorsement No. 10

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- Federal Insurance Company – Bond No.– 81391896 - Endorsement No. 11
- Federal Insurance Company – Bond No.– 81391896 - Endorsement No. 12
- Federal Insurance Company – Bond No.– 81391896 - Endorsement No. 13
- Federal Insurance Company – Bond No.– 81391896 - Endorsement No. 14
- Federal Insurance Company – Bond No.– 81391896 - Endorsement No. 15
- Federal Insurance Company – Bond No.– 81391896 - Endorsement No. 16
- Federal Insurance Company – Bond No.– 81391896 - Endorsement No. 17
- Federal Insurance Company – Bond No.– 81391896 - Endorsement No. 18
- Federal Insurance Company – Bond No.– 81391896 - Endorsement No. 19
- Federal Insurance Company – Bond No.– 81391896 - Endorsement No. 20
- Federal Insurance Company – Bond No.– 81391896 - Endorsement No. 21
- Federal Insurance Company – Bond No.– 81391896 - Endorsement No. 22
- Federal Insurance Company – Bond No.– 81391896 - Endorsement No. 23
- Federal Insurance Company – Bond No.– 81391896 - Endorsement No. 24
- Federal Insurance Company – Bond No.– 81391896 - Endorsement No. 25
- Federal Insurance Company – Bond No.– 81391896 - Endorsement No. 26
- Federal Insurance Company – Bond No.– 81391896 - Endorsement No. 27
  - Policyholder Disclosure Notice of Terrorism Insurance Coverage
    - Important Notice to Policyholders

Had each of the Funds listed below on Attachment A not been named as an insured under the joint insured bonds in effect, it is estimated that each Fund would have been required to maintain coverage under the Rule as set forth on Attachment B.

The premium on the above-mentioned bonds has been paid from November 1, 2015 to November 1, 2016.

Very truly yours,

KRISTIN V. COLLINS  
Kristin V. Collins  
Assistant Secretary and Assistant Clerk

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Attachments

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MFS SERIES TRUST I (File Nos. 33-7638 and 811-4777)

MFS Core Equity Fund ("RGI")  
MFS Global Leaders Fund ("GLD")  
MFS Low Volatility Equity Fund ("LVU")  
MFS Low Volatility Global Equity Fund ("LVO")  
MFS New Discovery Fund ("NDF")  
MFS Research International Fund ("RIF")  
MFS Technology Fund ("SCT")  
MFS U.S. Government Cash Reserve Fund ("MCF")  
MFS Value Fund ("EIF")

MFS® SERIES TRUST II (File Nos. 33-7637 and 811-4775)

MFS Growth Fund ("MEG")

MFS® SERIES TRUST III (File Nos. 2-60491 and 811-2794)

MFS Global High Yield Fund ("HYO")  
MFS High Income Fund ("MFH")  
MFS High Yield Pooled Portfolio ("HYP")  
MFS Municipal High Income Fund ("MMH")

MFS® SERIES TRUST IV (File Nos. 2-54607 and 811-2594)

MFS Blended Research Emerging Markets Equity Fund ("BRK")  
MFS Blended Research Global Equity Fund ("BRL")  
MFS Blended Research International Equity Fund ("BRX")  
MFS Global New Discovery Fund ("GND")  
MFS Mid Cap Growth Fund ("OTC")  
MFS U.S. Government Money Market Fund ("MMM")

MFS® SERIES TRUST V (File Nos. 2-38613 and 811-2031)

MFS International New Discovery Fund ("MIO")  
MFS Research Fund ("MFR")  
MFS Total Return Fund ("MTR")

MFS® SERIES TRUST VI (File Nos. 33-34502 and 811-6102)

MFS Global Equity Fund ("MWE")  
MFS Global Total Return Fund ("MWT")  
MFS Utilities Fund ("MMU")

MFS® SERIES TRUST VII (File Nos. 2-68918 and 811-3090)

MFS Equity Income Fund ("EQI")

MFS® SERIES TRUST VIII (File Nos. 33-37972 and 811-5262)

MFS Global Growth Fund ("WGF")  
MFS Strategic Income Fund ("MSI")

MFS® SERIES TRUST IX (File Nos. 2-50409 and 811-2464)

MFS Corporate Bond Fund ("MFB")

MFS Inflation-Adjusted Bond Fund (“IAB”)  
MFS Limited Maturity Fund (“MLM”)  
MFS Municipal Limited Maturity Fund (“MML”)  
MFS Total Return Bond Fund (“RBF”)

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MFS® SERIES TRUST X (File Nos. 33-1657 and 811-4492)

MFS Absolute Return Fund ("ART")  
MFS Aggressive Growth Allocation Fund ("AGG")  
MFS Blended Research Growth Equity Fund ("BRW")  
MFS Blended Research Small Cap Equity Fund ("BRS")  
MFS Blended Research Value Equity Fund ("BRU")  
MFS Conservative Allocation Fund ("CON")  
MFS Emerging Markets Debt Fund ("EMD")  
MFS Emerging Markets Debt Local Currency Fund ("EML")  
MFS Emerging Markets Equity Fund ("FEM")  
MFS Global Bond Fund ("GLB")  
MFS Growth Allocation Fund ("GRO")  
MFS International Diversification Fund ("MDI")  
MFS International Growth Fund ("FGF")  
MFS International Value Fund ("FGI")  
MFS Managed Wealth Fund ("MGW")  
MFS Moderate Allocation Fund ("MOD")

MFS® SERIES TRUST XI (File Nos. 33-68310 and 811-7992)

MFS Blended Research Core Equity Fund ("UNE")  
MFS Mid Cap Value Fund ("MDV")

MFS® SERIES TRUST XII (File Nos. 333-126328 and 811-21780)

MFS Equity Opportunities Fund ("MSR")  
MFS Lifetime 2015 Fund ("L15")  
MFS Lifetime 2020 Fund ("ML2")  
MFS Lifetime 2025 Fund ("L25")  
MFS Lifetime 2030 Fund ("ML3")  
MFS Lifetime 2035 Fund ("L35")  
MFS Lifetime 2040 Fund ("ML4")  
MFS Lifetime 2045 Fund ("L45")  
MFS Lifetime 2050 Fund ("ML5")  
MFS Lifetime 2055 Fund ("L55")  
MFS Lifetime Income Fund ("LRT")

MFS® SERIES TRUST XIII (File Nos. 2-74959 and 811-3327)

MFS Diversified Income Fund ("DIF")  
MFS Global Real Estate Fund ("GRE")  
MFS Government Securities Fund ("MGS")  
MFS New Discovery Value Fund ("NDV")

MFS® SERIES TRUST XIV (File No. 811-22033)

MFS Institutional Money Market Portfolio ("IMM")

MFS® SERIES TRUST XV (File Nos. 2-96738 and 811-4253)

MFS Commodity Strategy Fund ("CMS")  
MFS Global Alternative Strategy Fund ("DTR")

MFS® SERIES TRUST XVI (File Nos. 2-36431 and 811-2032)  
MFS Global Multi-Asset Fund ("GMA")

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MFS® MUNICIPAL SERIES TRUST (File Nos. 2-92915 and 811-4096)

MFS Alabama Municipal Bond Fund (“MAL”)  
MFS Arkansas Municipal Bond Fund (“MAR”)  
MFS California Municipal Bond Fund (“MCA”)  
MFS Georgia Municipal Bond Fund (“MGA”)  
MFS Maryland Municipal Bond Fund (“MMD”)  
MFS Massachusetts Municipal Bond Fund (“MMA”)  
MFS Mississippi Municipal Bond Fund (“MMP”)  
MFS Municipal Income Fund (“MMI”)  
MFS New York Municipal Bond Fund (“MNY”)  
MFS North Carolina Municipal Bond Fund (“MNC”)  
MFS Pennsylvania Municipal Bond Fund (“MPA”)  
MFS South Carolina Municipal Bond Fund (“MSC”)  
MFS Tennessee Municipal Bond Fund (“MTN”)  
MFS Virginia Municipal Bond Fund (“MVA”)  
MFS West Virginia Municipal Bond Fund (“MWV”)

MFS® VARIABLE INSURANCE TRUST (File Nos. 33-74668 and 811-8326)

MFS Global Equity Series (“VGE”)  
MFS Growth Series (“VEG”)  
MFS Investors Trust Series (“VGI”)  
MFS Mid Cap Growth Series (“VMG”)  
MFS New Discovery Series (“VND”)  
MFS Research Series (“VFR”)  
MFS Total Return Bond Series (“VFB”)  
MFS Total Return Series (“VTR”)  
MFS Utilities Series (“VUF”)  
MFS Value Series (“VLU”)

MFS® VARIABLE INSURANCE TRUST II (File Nos. 2-83616 and 811-3732)

MFS Blended Research Core Equity Portfolio (“CGS”)  
MFS Core Equity Portfolio (“RGS”)  
MFS Corporate Bond Portfolio (“BDS”)  
MFS Emerging Markets Equity Portfolio (“FCE”)  
MFS Global Governments Portfolio (“WGS”)  
MFS Global Growth Portfolio (“WGO”)  
MFS Global Research Portfolio (“RES”)  
MFS Global Tactical Allocation Portfolio (“WTS”)  
MFS Government Securities Portfolio (“GSS”)  
MFS High Yield Portfolio (“HYS”)  
MFS International Growth Portfolio (“FCI”)  
MFS International Value Portfolio (“FCG”)  
MFS Massachusetts Investors Growth Stock Portfolio (“MIS”)  
MFS Money Market Portfolio (“MKS”)  
MFS Research International Portfolio (“RSS”)  
MFS Strategic Income Portfolio (“SIS”)  
MFS Technology Portfolio (“TKS”)



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MFS® VARIABLE INSURANCE TRUST III (File Nos. 333-59093 and 811-08879)  
MFS Blended Research Small Cap Equity Portfolio ("VSC")  
MFS Conservative Allocation Portfolio ("VCA")  
MFS Global Real Estate Portfolio ("VRE")  
MFS Growth Allocation Portfolio ("VGA")  
MFS Inflation-Adjusted Bond Portfolio ("VIA")  
MFS Limited Maturity Portfolio ("VLT")  
MFS Mid Cap Value Portfolio ("VMC")  
MFS Moderate Allocation Portfolio ("VMA")  
MFS New Discovery Value Portfolio ("VDV")

MFS® INSTITUTIONAL TRUST (File Nos. 33-37615 and 811-6174)  
MFS Institutional International Equity Fund ("IIE")  
MFS Institutional Large Cap Value Fund ("ILV")

STAND-ALONE FUNDS:

Massachusetts Investors Trust ("MIT") (File Nos. 2-11401 and 811-203)  
Massachusetts Investors Growth Stock Fund ("MIG") (File Nos. 2-14677 and 811-859)

CLOSED-END FUNDS:

MFS California Municipal Fund ("CCA") (File Nos. 333-84993 and 811-9537)  
MFS Charter Income Trust ("MCR") (File Nos. 33-29012 and 811-5822)  
MFS Government Markets Income Trust ("MGF") (File Nos. 33-12945 and 811-5078)  
MFS High Income Municipal Trust ("CXE") (File Nos. 333-81129 and 811-5754)  
MFS High Yield Municipal Trust ("CMU") (File Nos. 33-77261 and 811-4992)  
MFS InterMarket Income Trust I ("CMK") (File Nos. 33-30179 and 811-5851)  
MFS Intermediate High Income Fund ("CIH") (File Nos. 333-85901 and 811-5567)  
MFS Intermediate Income Trust ("MIN") (File Nos. 33-19364 and 811-5440)  
MFS Investment Grade Municipal Trust ("CXH") (File Nos. 333-81131 and 811-5785)  
MFS Multimarket Income Trust ("MMT") (File Nos. 33-11246 and 811-4975)  
MFS Municipal Income Trust ("MFM") (File Nos. 33-8850 and 811-4841)  
MFS Special Value Trust ("MFV") (File Nos. 33-31346 and 811-5912)

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## REQUIRED FIDELITY BOND COVERAGE

## MFS® SERIES TRUST I

MCF	\$ 750,000
RGI	1,250,000
GLD*	N/A
LVU	200,000
LVO	350,000
NDF	1,250,000
RIF	2,500,000
SCT	750,000
EIF	2,500,000

## MFS® SERIES TRUST II

MEG	\$2,500,000
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## MFS® SERIES TRUST III

MFH	\$1,250,000
HYO	750,000
HYP	1,250,000
MMH	2,100,000

## MFS® SERIES TRUST IV

BRK	\$125,000
BRL	125,000
BRX	125,000
GND	250,000
OTC	1,500,000
MMM	750,000

## MFS® SERIES TRUST V

MIO	\$2,500,000
MFR	2,500,000
MTR	2,500,000

## MFS® SERIES TRUST VI

MWE	\$1,700,000
MWT	1,250,000
MMU	2,500,000

## MFS® SERIES TRUST VII

EQI                      \$525,000

\*GLD – Fund was closed on 11-18-15

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## REQUIRED FIDELITY BOND COVERAGE

## MFS® SERIES TRUST VIII

WGF	\$600,000
MSI	750,000

## MFS® SERIES TRUST IX

MFB	\$1,900,000
IAB	1,250,000
MLM	1,250,000
MML	1,250,000
RBF	2,500,000

## MFS® SERIES TRUST X

ART	\$ 600,000
AGG	1,500,000
BRW	100,000
BRS	100,000
BRU	100,000
CON	1,900,000
EMD	2,500,000
EML	750,000
FEM	900,000
GLB	900,000
GRO	2,500,000
MDI	2,500,000
FGF	2,300,000
FGI	2,500,000
MGW	400,000
MOD	2,500,000

## MFS® SERIES TRUST XI

MDV	\$2,300,000
UNE	900,000

## MFS® SERIES TRUST XII

MSR	\$750,000
L15	350,000
ML2	750,000
L25	525,000
ML3	750,000
L35	525,000
ML4	750,000

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L45	400,000
ML5	450,000
L55	200,000
LRT	900,000

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## REQUIRED FIDELITY BOND COVERAGE

## MFS® SERIES TRUST XIII

MGS	\$1,700,000
DIF	2,100,000
GRE	750,000
NDV	750,000

## MFS® SERIES TRUST XIV

IMM	\$2,500,000
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## MFS® SERIES TRUST XV

CMS	\$900,000
DTR	1,000,000

## MFS® SERIES TRUST XVI

GMA	\$250,000
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## MFS® MUNICIPAL SERIES TRUST

MAL	\$400,000
MAR	600,000
MCA	750,000
MGA	400,000
MMD	450,000
MMA	600,000
MMP	450,000
MMI	1,700,000
MNY	600,000
MNC	750,000
MPA	525,000
MSC	600,000
MTN	525,000
MVA	750,000
MWV	525,000

## MFS® VARIABLE INSURANCE TRUST

VEG	\$1,250,000
VGE	400,000
VGI	750,000
VMG	750,000
VND	900,000

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VFR	900,000
VFB	1,900,000
VTR	1,900,000
VUF	1,500,000
VLU	1,700,000

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REQUIRED FIDELITY BOND COVERAGE

MFS® VARIABLE INSURANCE TRUST II

BDS	\$ 750,000
CGS	750,000
RGS	600,000
FCE	400,000
WGS	600,000
WGO	400,000
WTS	1,000,000
GSS	1,000,000
HYS	900,000
FCI	600,000
FCG	1,250,000
MIS	1,000,000
MKS	750,000
RSS	750,000
RES	525,000
SIS	400,000
TKS	525,000

MFS® VARIABLE INSURANCE TRUST III

VCA	\$900,000
VDV	400,000
VGA	750,000
VIA	750,000
VLT	900,000
VMA	1,500,000
VMC	750,000
VRE	600,000
VSC	525,000

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## REQUIRED FIDELITY BOND COVERAGE

## MFS® INSTITUTIONAL TRUST

IIE	\$2,500,000
ILV	450,000

## MASSACHUSETTS INVESTORS TRUST (“MIT”)

MIT	\$2,500,000
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## MASSACHUSETTS INVESTORS GROWTH STOCK FUND (“MIG”)

MIG	\$2,500,000
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## MFS® GOVERNMENT MARKETS INCOME TRUST (“MGF”)

MGF	\$600,000
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## MFS® INTERMEDIATE INCOME TRUST (“MIN”)

MIN	\$900,000
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## MFS® CHARTER INCOME TRUST (“MCR”)

MCR	\$900,000
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## MFS® SPECIAL VALUE TRUST (“MFV”)

MFV	\$350,000
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## MFS® MUNICIPAL INCOME TRUST (“MFM”)

MFM	\$750,000
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## MFS® MULTIMARKET INCOME TRUST (“MMT”)

MMT	\$900,000
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## MFS® CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL FUND (“CCA”)

CCA	\$400,000
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## MFS® HIGH INCOME MUNICIPAL TRUST (“CXE”)

CXE \$750,000

MFS® HIGH YIELD MUNICIPAL TRUST (“CMU”)

CMU \$600,000

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REQUIRED FIDELITY BOND COVERAGE

MFS® INTERMARKET INCOME TRUST I (“CMK”)

CMK\*                      N/A

MFS® INTERMEDIATE HIGH INCOME FUND (“CIH”)

CIH                        \$450,000

MFS® INVESTMENT GRADE MUNICIPAL TRUST (“CXH”)

CXH                        \$600,000

\*CMK – Fund was closed on 9-25-15

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CERTIFICATE OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY

MFS Series Trust I  
MFS Series Trust II  
MFS Series Trust III  
MFS Series Trust IV  
MFS Series Trust V  
MFS Series Trust VI  
MFS Series Trust VII  
MFS Series Trust VIII  
MFS Series Trust IX  
MFS Series Trust X  
MFS Series Trust XI  
MFS Series Trust XII  
MFS Series Trust XIII  
MFS Series Trust XIV  
MFS Series Trust XV  
MFS Series Trust XVI  
MFS Municipal Series Trust  
MFS Variable Insurance Trust  
MFS Variable Insurance Trust II  
MFS Variable Insurance Trust III  
MFS Institutional Trust  
Massachusetts Investors Trust  
Massachusetts Investors Growth Stock Fund  
MFS California Municipal Fund  
MFS Charter Income Trust  
MFS Government Markets Income Trust  
MFS High Income Municipal Trust  
MFS High Yield Municipal Trust  
MFS InterMarket Income Trust I  
MFS Intermediate High Income Fund  
MFS Intermediate Income Trust  
MFS Investment Grade Municipal Trust  
MFS Multimarket Income Trust  
MFS Municipal Income Trust  
MFS Special Value Trust

The undersigned, being the Assistant Secretary of the above-mentioned Trusts, (collectively, the “Trusts”), hereby certifies that the following is a complete, true and correct copy of the vote adopted by the Trustees of the Trusts on October 13, 2015, and that such vote has not been altered, amended or rescinded and is in full force and effect as of the date hereof.

[ALL] Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was by all of the Independent Trustees voting together and then all of the Trustees present

VOTED: That it is the finding of the Trustees that the fidelity bonds written by ICI Mutual Insurance Company (ICI Mutual), and Federal Insurance Company (Chubb), (collectively, the "Bond") in the aggregate amount of \$56 million (the "Coverage Amount"), covering, among others, Trustees, officers and employees of the Trust, in accordance with the requirements of Rule 17g-1 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission under Section 17(g) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, are reasonable in form and amount, after having given due consideration to, among other things, the value of the aggregate assets of the Trust to which any person covered under the Bond may have access, the type and terms of the arrangements made for the custody and safekeeping of assets of the Trust, the nature of the Trust's securities, the number of other parties named as insured parties under the Bond and the nature of the business activities of the other parties;

FURTHER

VOTED: That after having given due consideration to, among other things, the number of other parties insured under the Bond, the nature of business activities of those other parties, the amount of the Bond, the amount of the premium and the ratable allocation of the premium and service fee among all parties named as insureds, that the premium on the Bond and service fee be, and it hereby is, allocated among the insured parties in the proportion that the higher of their minimum required or assigned coverage bears to the Coverage Amount;

FURTHER

VOTED: That the officers of the Trust be, and each of them hereby is, authorized and directed to enter into an agreement, as required by paragraph (f) of Rule 17g-1 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, with the other named insureds under said Bond providing that in the event any recovery is received under the Bond as a result of a loss sustained by the Trust and also by one or more of the other named insureds, the Trust shall receive an equitable and proportionate share of the recovery, but at least equal to the amount it would have received had it provided and maintained a single insured bond with the minimum coverage required by paragraph (d)(1) of Rule 17g-1 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended;

FURTHER

VOTED: That the Bond be, and it hereby is, approved;

FURTHER

VOTED: That the appropriate officers of the Trust be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to prepare, execute, and file such amendments and supplements to the aforesaid agreement, and to take such other action as may be necessary or appropriate in order to conform to the provisions of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder; and

FURTHER

VOTED: That the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary of the Trust shall file the Bond with the Securities and Exchange Commission and give notices required under paragraph (g) of Rule 17g-1 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunder set my hand this 4th day of February 2016.

KRISTIN V. COLLINS  
Kristin V. Collins  
Assistant Secretary

Date: February 4, 2016

Commonwealth of Massachusetts )  
) ss.  
County of Suffolk )

On this 4th day of February 2016, before me, Kelly E. Towns, the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared Kristin V. Collins, who is personally known to me to be the person whose name is signed above, and acknowledged to me that she signed it voluntarily for its stated purpose as Assistant Secretary for the MFS Funds.

KELLY E. TOWNS  
Kelly E. Towns  
Notary Public

My commission expires: May 7, 2021

FIDELITY BOND CLAIM AGREEMENT

THIS MASTER FIDELITY BOND CLAIM AGREEMENT dated November 1, 1993, as amended and restated June 12, 2002, as amended and restated March 1, 2008, by and among (i) each of the funds listed from time to time in Exhibit A (collectively, the “Funds” or “Fund Parties”) and (ii) Massachusetts Financial Services Company (“MFS”), MFS Service Center, Inc. (“MFSC”), MFS Fund Distributors, Inc. (“MFD”), MFS Heritage Trust Company, MFS Institutional Advisors, Inc., and MFS International Ltd., (collectively, the “MFS Parties”).

WHEREAS, MFS or certain other MFS Parties act as investment adviser to all of the Funds and certain other clients, MFD acts as distributor for certain of the Funds and MFSC acts as the transfer and shareholder servicing agent for certain of the Funds; and from time to time hereafter each may act in the same capacities with respect to other clients including other investment companies;

WHEREAS, all the parties hereto are named insureds under broker’s blanket bonds issued by each of the insurance companies listed from time to time in Exhibit B, and/or such other insurance companies as from time to time may insure parties hereto as such bonds may be amended and/or restated from time to time (collectively the “Bonds”);

WHEREAS, the parties desire to establish (i) the criteria by which the premium for the Bonds shall be allocated among the parties, (ii) the basis on which additional investment companies for which MFS, or any subsidiary thereof, may hereafter act as investment adviser and/or for which MFD may act as distributor, and additional affiliates of MFS may from time to time be added as named insureds under the Bonds and (iii) the criteria by which losses in excess of the face amounts of the Bonds shall be allocated among the parties.

NOW THEREFORE, it is agreed as follows:

1. Each of the Funds shall pay a portion of each premium which shall be determined as of a specified date (the “Date”) which is the same date for all Fund Parties by calculating the proportion which the minimum amount of fidelity bond coverage required for such Fund (calculated in accordance with Rule 17g-1 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, (“Rule 17g-1”)) bears to the total amount of coverage provided for under the Bonds and applying said proportion to the total annual premium. The amount remaining after calculating the portions of the premium to be paid by the Funds shall be paid by MFS or such MFS Parties as MFS shall determine.

2. If one or more of the insurance companies listed in Exhibit B (or such other insurers as from time to time may insure the parties hereto) are willing without additional premium until the next renewal date to add, as an insured under any of the Bonds, (i) any investment company permitted to be included on the Bonds pursuant to Rule 17g-1 for which MFS (or any subsidiary thereof) may act as investment adviser and/or for which MFD may act as distributor, or (ii) any affiliate of MFS permitted to be included on the Bonds pursuant to Rule 17g-1, the parties hereto agree (a) that such addition may be made, (b) that such investment company shall become a party to this Agreement and be included within the terms “Funds” and “Fund Parties” and (c) that such affiliate shall become a party to this Agreement and be included within the term “MFS Parties.”



3. In the event that the claims of loss of two or more insureds under the Bonds are so related that the insurer is entitled to assert that the claims must be aggregated with the result that the claims exceed the face amount of the Bonds but the total amount payable on such claims is limited to the face amount of the Bonds, the following rules for determining, as among such insureds, the priority of satisfaction of the claims under the Bonds shall apply:

A. All claims of Funds which have been duly proved and established under the Bonds shall be satisfied in full before satisfaction of any claims of MFS or other MFS Parties, if any.

B. If the claims of Funds which have been duly proved and established under the Bonds exceed the face amount of the Bonds, the insurance proceeds shall be applied to those claims in the following manner:

- (i) first, the insurance proceeds shall be applied to the claim of each Fund up to its respective minimum fidelity bond requirement as determined pursuant to paragraph one above with respect to the Funds; and
- (ii) the remaining amount of insurance proceeds then shall be applied to the unsatisfied claims of the Funds in proportion to their respective minimum fidelity bond requirements as determined pursuant to paragraph one above with respect to the Funds.

C. If after giving effect to Paragraph A there remains a portion of the insurance under the Bonds available for the satisfaction of claims of MFS or other MFS Parties, if any, which have been duly proved and established under the Bonds, such remainder shall be applied as MFS shall determine.

4. This Agreement hereby supercedes all prior or contemporaneous agreements among the parties hereto (or any two or more of them) (which other agreements may include other parties) relating to the subject matter hereof.

5. The Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

6. Exhibit A hereto may be amended from time to time to reflect the changes in the funds insured under the Bonds.

7. Exhibit B hereto may be amended from time to time to reflect the changes in the insurance companies issuing the Bonds.

8. A copy of the Declaration of Trust of each Fund is on file with the Secretary of State of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Each party hereto acknowledges that the obligations of or arising out of this Agreement are not binding upon any of the Fund's Trustees, officers, employees, agents or shareholders individually, but are binding solely upon the assets and property of the Fund. If this Agreement is executed by the Fund on behalf of one or more series of the Fund, each party hereto further acknowledges that the assets and liabilities of each series are separate and distinct and that the obligations of or arising out of this Agreement concerning a series are binding solely upon the assets or property of such series and not upon the assets or property of any other series.

9. This Agreement may be amended or modified only with the prior written consent of the parties hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed and delivered in their names and on their behalf by the undersigned officers, thereunto duly authorized, all as of the first day of March 2008.

MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY  
MFS SERVICE CENTER, INC.  
MFS FUND DISTRIBUTORS, INC.  
MFS INSTITUTIONAL ADVISORS, INC.  
MFS INTERNATIONAL LTD.

By: MARK N. POLEBAUM  
Mark N. Polebaum  
Secretary

MFS HERITAGE TRUST COMPANY

By: MARIA F. DIORIODWYER  
Maria F. DiOrioDwyer  
Chairman

On Behalf of the Funds Listed From Time to Time  
On Exhibit A Hereto:

By: SUSAN S. NEWTON  
Susan S. Newton  
Assistant Secretary or Assistant Clerk

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FIDELITY BOND CLAIM AGREEMENT  
EXHIBIT A  
As of November 18, 2015

MFS FUNDS BOARD PRODUCTS:

MFS SERIES TRUST I

- MFS Core Equity Fund
- MFS Low Volatility Global Equity Fund
- MFS Low Volatility Equity Fund
- MFS New Discovery Fund
- MFS Research International Fund
- MFS Technology Fund
- MFS U.S. Government Cash Reserve Fund
- MFS Value Fund

MFS SERIES TRUST II

- MFS Growth Fund

MFS SERIES TRUST III

- MFS Global High Yield Fund
- MFS High Income Fund
- MFS High Yield Pooled Portfolio
- MFS Municipal High Income Fund

MFS SERIES TRUST IV

- MFS Blended Research Emerging Markets Equity Fund
- MFS Blended Research Global Equity Fund
- MFS Blended Research International Equity Fund
- MFS Global New Discovery Fund
- MFS Mid Cap Growth Fund
- MFS U.S. Government Money Market Fund

MFS SERIES TRUST V

- MFS Research Fund
- MFS Total Return Fund
- MFS International New Discovery Fund

MFS SERIES TRUST VI

- MFS Global Equity Fund
- MFS Global Total Return Fund
- MFS Utilities Fund

MFS SERIES TRUST VII

- MFS Equity Income Fund

MFS SERIES TRUST VIII

- MFS Global Growth Fund

MFS Strategic Income Fund

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MFS SERIES TRUST IX

MFS Corporate Bond Fund  
MFS Inflation-Adjusted Bond Fund  
MFS Limited Maturity Fund  
MFS Municipal Limited Maturity Fund  
MFS Total Return Bond Fund

MFS SERIES TRUST X

MFS Absolute Return Fund  
MFS Aggressive Growth Allocation Fund  
MFS Blended Research Growth Equity Fund  
MFS Blended Research Small Cap Equity Fund  
MFS Blended Research Value Equity Fund  
MFS Conservative Allocation Fund  
MFS Emerging Markets Debt Fund  
MFS Emerging Markets Debt Local Currency Fund  
MFS Emerging Markets Equity Fund  
MFS Global Bond Fund  
MFS Growth Allocation Fund  
MFS International Diversification Fund  
MFS International Growth Fund  
MFS International Value Fund  
MFS Managed Wealth Fund  
MFS Moderate Allocation Fund

MFS SERIES TRUST XI

MFS Blended Research Core Equity Fund  
MFS Mid Cap Value Fund

MFS SERIES TRUST XII

MFS Equity Opportunities Fund  
MFS Lifetime Income Fund  
MFS Lifetime 2015 Fund  
MFS Lifetime 2020 Fund  
MFS Lifetime 2025 Fund  
MFS Lifetime 2030 Fund  
MFS Lifetime 2035 Fund  
MFS Lifetime 2040 Fund  
MFS Lifetime 2045 Fund  
MFS Lifetime 2050 Fund  
MFS Lifetime 2055 Fund

MFS SERIES TRUST XIII

MFS Diversified Income Fund  
MFS Global Real Estate Fund  
MFS Government Securities Fund  
MFS New Discovery Value Fund

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MFS SERIES TRUST XIV  
MFS Institutional Money Market Portfolio

MFS SERIES TRUST XV  
MFS Commodity Strategy Fund  
MFS Global Alternative Strategy Fund

MFS SERIES TRUST XVI  
MFS Global Multi-Asset Fund

STAND-ALONE FUNDS  
Massachusetts Investors Growth Stock Fund  
Massachusetts Investors Trust

CLOSED-END FUNDS  
MFS California Municipal Fund  
MFS Charter Income Trust  
MFS Government Markets Income Trust  
MFS High Income Municipal Trust  
MFS High Yield Municipal Trust  
MFS InterMarket Income Trust I  
MFS Intermediate High Income Fund  
MFS Intermediate Income Trust  
MFS Investment Grade Municipal Trust  
MFS Multimarket Income Trust  
MFS Municipal Income Trust  
MFS Special Value Trust

MFS MUNICIPAL SERIES TRUST  
MFS Alabama Municipal Bond Fund  
MFS Arkansas Municipal Bond Fund  
MFS California Municipal Bond Fund  
MFS Georgia Municipal Bond Fund  
MFS Maryland Municipal Bond Fund  
MFS Massachusetts Municipal Bond Fund  
MFS Mississippi Municipal Bond Fund  
MFS New York Municipal Bond Fund  
MFS North Carolina Municipal Bond Fund  
MFS Pennsylvania Municipal Bond Fund  
MFS South Carolina Municipal Bond Fund  
MFS Tennessee Municipal Bond Fund  
MFS Virginia Municipal Bond Fund  
MFS West Virginia Municipal Bond Fund  
MFS Municipal Income Fund

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MFS VARIABLE INSURANCE TRUST

- MFS Growth Series
- MFS Global Equity Series
- MFS Investors Trust Series
- MFS Mid Cap Growth Series
- MFS New Discovery Series
- MFS Total Return Bond Series
- MFS Research Series
- MFS Total Return Series
- MFS Utilities Series
- MFS Value Series

MFS INSTITUTIONAL TRUST

- MFS Institutional International Equity Fund
- MFS Institutional Large Cap Value Fund

MFS VARIABLE INSURANCE TRUST II

- MFS Blended Research Core Equity Portfolio
- MFS Corporate Bond Portfolio
- MFS Core Equity Portfolio
- MFS Emerging Markets Equity Portfolio
- MFS Global Governments Portfolio
- MFS Global Growth Portfolio
- MFS Global Research Portfolio
- MFS Global Tactical Allocation Portfolio
- MFS Government Securities Portfolio
- MFS High Yield Portfolio
- MFS International Growth Portfolio
- MFS International Value Portfolio
- MFS Massachusetts Investors Growth Stock Portfolio
- MFS Money Market Portfolio
- MFS Research International Portfolio
- MFS Strategic Income Portfolio
- MFS Technology Portfolio

MFS VARIABLE INSURANCE TRUST III

- MFS Blended Research Small Cap Equity Portfolio
- MFS Conservative Allocation Portfolio
- MFS Global Real Estate Portfolio
- MFS Growth Allocation Portfolio
- MFS Inflation-Adjusted Bond Portfolio
- MFS Limited Maturity Portfolio
- MFS Mid Cap Value Portfolio
- MFS Moderate Allocation Portfolio
- MFS New Discovery Value Portfolio

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FIDELITY BOND CLAIM AGREEMENT

EXHIBIT B

As of November 1, 2015

ICI Mutual Insurance Company (ICI Mutual)  
Federal Insurance Company (Chubb)

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MARSH USA, INC (MA)  
ATTN:  
99 HIGH STREET - 14TH FL  
BOSTON, MA 02110

JILL BERUBE

INSURED:	MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY D/B/A MFS INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT
PRODUCT:	DFIBond
POLICY NO:	81391896
TRANSACTION:	RENL_CORR

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Chubb Group of Insurance Companies  
 15 Mountain View Road, Warren, New Jersey 07059

DECLARATIONS  
 FINANCIAL INSTITUTION INVESTMENT  
 COMPANY ASSET PROTECTION BOND

NAME OF ASSURED (including its  
 Subsidiaries):

Bond Number: 81391896

MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY  
 111 HUNTINGTON AVENUE  
 BOSTON, MA 02199

FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY  
 Incorporated under the laws of Indiana  
 a stock insurance company herein called the  
 COMPANY  
 Capital Center, 251 North Illinois, Suite 1100  
 Indianapolis, IN 46204-1927

ITEM 1. BOND PERIOD: from 12:01 a.m. on November 1, 2015  
 to 12:01 a.m. on November 1, 2016

ITEM 2. LIMITS OF LIABILITY--DEDUCTIBLE AMOUNTS:

If "Not Covered" is inserted below opposite any specified INSURING CLAUSE, such INSURING CLAUSE and any other reference shall be deemed to be deleted. There shall be no deductible applicable to any loss under INSURING CLAUSE 1. sustained by any Investment Company.

INSURING CLAUSE	SINGLE LOSS LIMIT OF LIABILITY	DEDUCTIBLE AMOUNT
1. Employee	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 100,000
2. On Premises	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 100,000
3. In Transit	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 100,000
4. Forgery or Alteration	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 100,000
5. Extended Forgery	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 100,000
6. Counterfeit Money	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 100,000
7. Threats to Person	\$ NOT COVERED	\$ N/A
8. Computer System	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 100,000
9. Voice Initiated Funds Transfer Instruction	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 100,000
10. Uncollectible Items of Deposit	\$ 250,000	\$ 100,000
11. Audit Expense	\$ 250,000	\$ 100,000

ITEM 3. THE LIABILITY OF THE COMPANY IS ALSO SUBJECT TO THE TERMS OF THE FOLLOWING

ENDORSEMENTS EXECUTED SIMULTANEOUSLY HEREWITH:

Endorsements 1- 27

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, THE COMPANY has caused this Bond to be signed by its authorized officers, but it shall not be valid unless also signed by an authorized representative of the Company.

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The COMPANY, in consideration of payment of the required premium, and in reliance on the APPLICATION and all other statements made and information furnished to the COMPANY by the ASSURED, and subject to the DECLARATIONS made a part of this Bond and to all other terms and conditions of this Bond, agrees to pay the ASSURED

for:

Insuring Clauses

- Employee                    1.            Loss resulting directly from Larceny or Embezzlement committed by any Employee, alone or in collusion with others.
- On Premises                2.            Loss of Property resulting directly from robbery, burglary, false pretenses, common law or statutory larceny, misplacement, mysterious unexplainable disappearance, damage, destruction or removal, from the possession, custody or control of the ASSURED, while such Property is lodged or deposited at premises located anywhere.
- In Transit                    3.            Loss of Property resulting directly from common law or statutory larceny, misplacement, mysterious unexplainable disappearance, damage or destruction, while the Property is in transit anywhere:
- a.                            in an armored motor vehicle, including loading and unloading thereof,
- b.                            in the custody of a natural person acting as a messenger of the ASSURED,
- or
- c.                            in the custody of a Transportation Company and being transported in a conveyance other than an armored motor vehicle provided, however, that covered Property transported in such manner is limited to the following:
- (1)                            written records,
- (2)                            securities issued in registered form, which are not endorsed or are restrictively endorsed, or

(3) negotiable instruments not payable to  
bearer, which are not endorsed  
or are restrictively endorsed.

Coverage under this INSURING CLAUSE begins immediately on the receipt of such Property by the natural person or Transportation Company and ends immediately on delivery to the premises of the addressee or to any representative of the addressee located anywhere.

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Insuring Clauses  
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Forgery Or  
Alteration

4. Loss resulting directly from:
- a. Forgery on, or fraudulent material alteration of, any bills of exchange, checks, drafts, acceptances, certificates of deposits, promissory notes, due bills, money orders, orders upon public treasuries, letters of credit, other written promises, orders or directions to pay sums certain in money, or receipts for the withdrawal of Property, or
  - b. transferring, paying or delivering any funds or other Property, or establishing any credit or giving any value in reliance on any written instructions, advices or applications directed to the ASSURED authorizing or acknowledging the transfer, payment, delivery or receipt of funds or other Property, which instructions, advices or applications fraudulently purport to bear the handwritten signature of any customer of the ASSURED, or shareholder or subscriber to shares of an Investment Company, or of any financial institution or Employee but which instructions, advices or applications either bear a Forgery or have been fraudulently materially altered without the knowledge and consent of such customer, shareholder, subscriber, financial institution or Employee;

excluding, however, under this INSURING CLAUSE any loss covered under INSURING CLAUSE 5. of this Bond, whether or not coverage for INSURING CLAUSE 5. is provided for in the DECLARATIONS of this Bond.

For the purpose of this INSURING CLAUSE, a mechanically reproduced facsimile signature is treated the same as a handwritten signature.

Extended  
Forgery

5. Loss resulting directly from the ASSURED having, in good faith, and in the ordinary course of business, for its own account or the account of others in any capacity:
- a. acquired, accepted or received, sold or delivered, or given value, extended credit or assumed liability, in reliance on any original Securities, documents or other written instruments which prove to:
    - (1) bear a Forgery or a fraudulently material alteration,
    - (2) have been lost or stolen, or
    - (3) be Counterfeit, or
  - b. guaranteed in writing or witnessed any signatures on any transfer, assignment, bill of sale, power of attorney, guarantee, endorsement or other obligation upon or in connection with any Securities, documents or other written instruments.

Actual physical possession, and continued actual physical possession if taken as collateral, of such Securities, documents or other written instruments by an Employee, Custodian, or a Federal or State chartered deposit institution of the ASSURED is a condition precedent to the ASSURED having relied on such items. Release or return of such collateral is an acknowledgment by the ASSURED that it no longer relies on such collateral.

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- Extended Forgery (continued) For the purpose of this INSURING CLAUSE, a mechanically reproduced facsimile signature is treated the same as a handwritten signature.
- Counterfeit Money 6. Loss resulting directly from the receipt by the ASSURED in good faith of any Counterfeit money.
- Threats To Person 7. Loss resulting directly from surrender of Property away from an office of the ASSURED as a result of a threat communicated to the ASSURED to do bodily harm to an Employee as defined in SECTION 1.e. (1), (2) and (5), a Relative or invitee of such Employee, or a resident of the household of such Employee, who is, or allegedly is, being held captive provided, however, that prior to the surrender of such Property:
- a. the Employee who receives the threat has made a reasonable effort to notify an officer of the ASSURED who is not involved in such threat, and
  - b. the ASSURED has made a reasonable effort to notify the Federal Bureau of Investigation and local law enforcement authorities concerning such threat.
- It is agreed that for purposes of this INSURING CLAUSE, any Employee of the ASSURED, as set forth in the preceding paragraph, shall be deemed to be an ASSURED hereunder, but only with respect to the surrender of money, securities and other tangible personal property in which such Employee has a legal or equitable interest.
- Computer System 8. Loss resulting directly from fraudulent:
- a. entries of data into, or
  - b. changes of data elements or programs within, a Computer System, provided the fraudulent entry or change causes:
    - (1) funds or other property to be transferred, paid or delivered,
    - (2)

debited or credited, or an account of the ASSURED or of its customer to be added, deleted,

(3) an unauthorized account or a fictitious account to be debited or credited.

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Voice Initiated  
Funds  
Transfer  
Instruction

9.

Loss resulting directly from Voice Initiated Funds Transfer Instruction directed to the ASSURED authorizing the transfer of dividends or redemption proceeds of Investment Company shares from a Customer's account, provided such Voice Initiated Funds Transfer Instruction was:

- a. received at the ASSURED'S offices by those Employees of the ASSURED specifically authorized to receive the Voice Initiated Funds Transfer Instruction,
- b. made by a person purporting to be a Customer, and
- c. made by said person for the purpose of causing the ASSURED or Customer to sustain a loss or making an improper personal financial gain for such person or any other person.

In order for coverage to apply under this INSURING CLAUSE, all Voice Initiated Funds Transfer Instructions must be received and processed in accordance with the Designated Procedures outlined in the APPLICATION furnished to the COMPANY.

Uncollectible  
Items of  
Deposit

10.

Loss resulting directly from the ASSURED having credited an account of a customer, shareholder or subscriber on the faith of any Items of Deposit which prove to be uncollectible, provided that the crediting of such account causes:

- a. redemptions or withdrawals to be permitted,
- b. shares to be issued, or
- c. dividends to be paid,

from an account of an Investment Company.

In order for coverage to apply under this INSURING CLAUSE, the ASSURED must hold Items of Deposit for the minimum number of days stated in the APPLICATION before permitting any redemptions or withdrawals, issuing any shares or paying any dividends with respect to such Items of Deposit.

Items of Deposit shall not be deemed uncollectible until the ASSURED'S standard collection procedures have failed.

Audit Expense

11.

Expense incurred by the ASSURED for that part of the cost of audits or examinations required by any governmental regulatory authority or self-regulatory organization to be conducted by such authority, organization or their appointee by reason of the discovery of loss sustained by the ASSURED and covered by this Bond.

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General  
Agreements

Additional  
Companies  
Included As  
Assured

A. If more than one corporation, or Investment Company, or any combination of them is included as the ASSURED herein:

(1) The total liability of the COMPANY under this Bond for loss or losses sustained by any one or more or all of them shall not exceed the limit for which the COMPANY would be liable under this Bond if all such loss were sustained by any one of them.

(2) Only the first named ASSURED shall be deemed to be the sole agent of the others for all purposes under this Bond, including but not limited to the giving or receiving of any notice or proof required to be given and for the purpose of effecting or accepting any amendments to or termination of this Bond. The COMPANY shall furnish each Investment Company with a copy of the Bond and with any amendment thereto, together with a copy of each formal filing of claim by any other named ASSURED and notification of the terms of the settlement of each such claim prior to the execution of such settlement.

(3) The COMPANY shall not be responsible for the proper application of any payment made hereunder to the first named ASSURED.

(4) Knowledge possessed or discovery made by any partner, director, trustee, officer or supervisory employee of any ASSURED shall constitute knowledge or discovery by all the ASSUREDS for the purposes of this Bond.

(5)

If the first named ASSURED ceases for any reason to be covered under this Bond, then the ASSURED next named on the APPLICATION shall thereafter be considered as the first named ASSURED for the purposes of this Bond.

Representation  
Made By  
Assured

B.

The ASSURED represents that all information it has furnished in the APPLICATION for this Bond or otherwise is complete, true and correct. Such APPLICATION and other information constitute part of this Bond.

The ASSURED must promptly notify the COMPANY of any change in any fact or circumstance which materially affects the risk assumed by the COMPANY under this Bond.

Any intentional misrepresentation, omission, concealment or incorrect statement of a material fact, in the APPLICATION or otherwise, shall be grounds for rescission of this Bond.

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Additional Offices Or Employees - Consolidation, Merger Or Purchase Or Acquisition Of Assets Or Liabilities - Notice To Company	C.	If the ASSURED, other than an Investment Company, while this Bond is in force,  merges or consolidates with, or purchases or acquires assets or liabilities of  another institution, the ASSURED shall not have the coverage afforded under this  Bond for loss which has:
		(1) occurred or will occur on premises, or
		(2) been caused or will be caused by an employee, or
		(3) arisen or will arise out of the assets or liabilities, of such institution, unless the ASSURED: a. gives the COMPANY written notice of the proposed consolidation, merger or purchase or acquisition of assets or liabilities prior to the proposed effective date of such action, and b. obtains the written consent of the COMPANY to extend some or all of the coverage provided by this Bond to such additional exposure, and c. on obtaining such consent, pays to the COMPANY an additional premium.
Change Of Control -D. Notice To Company	-D.	When the ASSURED learns of a change in control (other than in an Investment Company), as set forth in Section 2(a) (9) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, the ASSURED shall within sixty (60) days give written notice to the COMPANY setting forth: (1) the names of the transferors and transferees (or the names of the beneficial owners if the voting securities are registered in another name), (2) the total number of voting securities owned by the transferors and the transferees (or the beneficial owners), both immediately before and after the transfer, and

(3)

the total number of outstanding voting securities.

Failure to give the required notice shall result in termination of coverage for any loss involving a transferee, to be effective on the date of such change in control.

Court Costs And Attorneys' Fees E.

The COMPANY will indemnify the ASSURED for court costs and reasonable attorneys' fees incurred and paid by the ASSURED in defense, whether or not successful, whether or not fully litigated on the merits and whether or not settled, of any claim, suit or legal proceeding with respect to which the ASSURED would be entitled to recovery under this Bond. However, with respect to INSURING CLAUSE 1., this Section shall only apply in the event that:

(1)

an Employee admits to being guilty of Larceny or Embezzlement,

(2)

an Employee is adjudicated to be guilty of Larceny or Embezzlement, or

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Court Costs And (3) in the absence of 1 or 2 above, an arbitration panel agrees, after a review of Attorneys' Fees an agreed statement of facts between the COMPANY and the ASSURED, that an Employee would be found guilty of Larceny or Embezzlement if (continued) such Employee were prosecuted.

The ASSURED shall promptly give notice to the COMPANY of any such suit or legal proceeding and at the request of the COMPANY shall furnish copies of all pleadings and pertinent papers to the COMPANY. The COMPANY may, at its sole option, elect to conduct the defense of all or part of such legal proceeding. The defense by the COMPANY shall be in the name of the ASSURED through attorneys selected by the COMPANY. The ASSURED shall provide all reasonable information and assistance as required by the COMPANY for such defense.

If the COMPANY declines to defend the ASSURED, no settlement without the prior written consent of the COMPANY nor judgment against the ASSURED shall determine the existence, extent or amount of coverage under this Bond.

If the amount demanded in any such suit or legal proceeding is within the DEDUCTIBLE AMOUNT, if any, the COMPANY shall have no liability for court costs and attorney's fees incurred in defending all or part of such suit or legal proceeding.

If the amount demanded in any such suit or legal proceeding is in excess of the LIMIT OF LIABILITY stated in ITEM 2. of the DECLARATIONS for the applicable INSURING CLAUSE, the COMPANY'S liability for court costs and attorney's fees incurred in defending all or part of such suit or legal proceedings is limited to the proportion of such court costs and attorney's fees incurred that the LIMIT OF LIABILITY stated in ITEM 2. of the DECLARATIONS for the applicable INSURING CLAUSE bears to the total of the amount demanded in such suit or legal proceeding.

If the amount demanded is any such suit or legal proceeding is in excess of the DEDUCTIBLE AMOUNT, if any, but within the LIMIT OF LIABILITY stated in ITEM 2. of the DECLARATIONS for the applicable INSURING CLAUSE, the COMPANY'S liability for court costs and attorney's fees incurred in defending all or part of such suit or legal proceedings shall be limited to the proportion of such court costs or attorney's fees that the amount demanded that would be payable under this Bond after application of the DEDUCTIBLE AMOUNT, bears to the total amount demanded.

Amounts paid by the COMPANY for court costs and attorneys' fees shall be in addition to the LIMIT OF LIABILITY stated in ITEM 2. of the DECLARATIONS.

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Conditions and  
Limitations

Definitions

1. As used in this Bond:
  - a. Computer System means a computer and all input, output, processing, storage, off-line media libraries, and communication facilities which are connected to the computer and which are under the control and supervision of the operating system(s) or application(s) software used by the ASSURED.
  - b. Counterfeit means an imitation of an actual valid original which is intended to deceive and be taken as the original.
  - c. Custodian means the institution designated by an Investment Company to maintain possession and control of its assets.
  - d. Customer means an individual, corporate, partnership, trust customer, shareholder or subscriber of an Investment Company which has a written agreement with the ASSURED for Voice Initiated Funds Transfer Instruction.
  - e. Employee means:
    - (1) an officer of the ASSURED,
    - (2) a natural person while in the regular service of the ASSURED at any of the ASSURED'S premises and compensated directly by the ASSURED through its payroll system and subject to the United States Internal Revenue Service Form W-2 or equivalent income reporting plans of other countries, and whom the ASSURED has the right to control and direct both as to the result to be accomplished and details and means by which such result is accomplished in the performance of such service,

- (3) a guest student pursuing studies or performing duties in any of the ASSURED'S premises,
- (4) an attorney retained by the ASSURED and an employee of such attorney while either is performing legal services for the ASSURED,
- (5) a natural person provided by an employment contractor to perform employee duties for the ASSURED under the ASSURED'S supervision at any of the ASSURED'S premises,
- (6) an employee of an institution merged or consolidated with the ASSURED prior to the effective date of this Bond,
- (7) a director or trustee of the ASSURED, but only while performing acts within the scope of the customary and usual duties of any officer or other employee of the ASSURED or while acting as a member of any committee duly elected or appointed to examine or audit or have custody of or access to Property of the ASSURED, or

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Definitions  
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- (8) each natural person, partnership or corporation authorized by written agreement with the ASSURED to perform services as electronic data processor of checks or other accounting records related to such checks but only while such person, partnership or corporation is actually performing such services and not:
- a. creating, preparing, modifying or maintaining the ASSURED'S computer software or programs, or
  - b. acting as transfer agent or in any other agency capacity in issuing checks, drafts or securities for the ASSURED,
- (9) any partner, officer or employee of an investment advisor, an underwriter (distributor), a transfer agent or shareholder accounting recordkeeper, or an administrator, for an Investment Company while performing acts coming within the scope of the customary and usual duties of an officer or employee of an Investment Company or acting as a member of any committee duly elected or appointed to examine, audit or have custody of or access to Property of an Investment Company.
- The term Employee shall not include any partner, officer or employee of a transfer agent, shareholder accounting recordkeeper or administrator:
- a. which is not an "affiliated person" (as defined in Section 2(a) of the Investment Company Act of 1940) of an Investment Company or of the investment advisor or underwriter (distributor) of such Investment Company, or
  - b. which is a "bank" (as defined in Section 2(a) of the Investment

Company Act of 1940).

This Bond does not afford coverage in favor of the employers of persons as set forth in e. (4), (5) and (8) above, and upon payment to the ASSURED by the COMPANY resulting directly from Larceny or Embezzlement committed by any of the partners, officers or employees of such employers, whether acting alone or in collusion with others, an assignment of such of the ASSURED'S rights and causes of action as it may have against such employers by reason of such acts so committed shall, to the extent of such payment, be given by the ASSURED to the COMPANY, and the ASSURED shall execute all papers necessary to secure to the COMPANY the rights provided for herein.

Each employer of persons as set forth in e.(4), (5) and (8) above and the partners, officers and other employees of such employers shall collectively be deemed to be one person for all the purposes of this Bond; excepting, however, the fifth paragraph of Section 13.

Independent contractors not specified in e.(4), (5) or (8) above, intermediaries, agents, brokers or other representatives of the same general character shall not be considered Employees.



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- f. Forgery means the signing of the name of another natural person with the intent to deceive but does not mean a signature which consists in whole or in part of one's own name, with or without authority, in any capacity for any purpose.
- g. Investment Company means any investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 and listed under the NAME OF ASSURED on the DECLARATIONS.
- h. Items of Deposit means one or more checks or drafts drawn upon a financial institution in the United States of America.
- i. Larceny or Embezzlement means larceny or embezzlement as defined in Section 37 of the Investment Company Act of 1940.
- j. Property means money, revenue and other stamps; securities; including any note, stock, treasury stock, bond, debenture, evidence of indebtedness, certificate of deposit, certificate of interest or participation in any profit-sharing agreement, collateral trust certificate, preorganization certificate or subscription, transferable share, investment contract, voting trust certificate, certificate of deposit for a security, fractional undivided interest in oil, gas, or other mineral rights, any interest or instruments commonly known as a security under the Investment Company Act of 1940, any other certificate of interest or participation in, temporary or interim certificate for, receipt for, guarantee of, or warrant or right to subscribe to or purchase any of the foregoing; bills of exchange; acceptances; checks; withdrawal orders; money

- orders; travelers' letters of credit; bills of lading; abstracts of title; insurance policies, deeds, mortgages on real estate and/or upon chattels and interests therein; assignments of such policies, deeds or mortgages; other valuable papers, including books of accounts and other records used by the ASSURED in the conduct of its business (but excluding all electronic data processing records); and, all other instruments similar to or in the nature of the foregoing in which the ASSURED acquired an interest at the time of the ASSURED'S consolidation or merger with, or purchase of the principal assets of, a predecessor or which are held by the ASSURED for any purpose or in any capacity and whether so held gratuitously or not and whether or not the ASSURED is liable therefor.
- k. Relative means the spouse of an Employee or partner of the ASSURED and any unmarried child supported wholly by, or living in the home of, such Employee or partner and being related to them by blood, marriage or legal guardianship.
- l. Securities, documents or other written instruments means original (including original counterparts) negotiable or non-negotiable instruments, or assignments thereof, which in and of themselves represent an equitable interest, ownership, or debt and which are in the ordinary course of business transferable by delivery of such instruments with any necessary endorsements or assignments.



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- m. Subsidiary means any organization that, at the inception date of this Bond, is named in the APPLICATION or is created during the BOND PERIOD and of which more than fifty percent (50%) of the outstanding securities or voting rights representing the present right to vote for election of directors is owned or controlled by the ASSURED either directly or through one or more of its subsidiaries.
- n. Transportation Company means any organization which provides its own or its leased vehicles for transportation or which provides freight forwarding or air express services.
- o. Voice Initiated Election means any election concerning dividend options available to Investment Company shareholders or subscribers which is requested by voice over the telephone.
- p. Voice Initiated Redemption means any redemption of shares issued by an Investment Company which is requested by voice over the telephone.
- q. Voice Initiated Funds Transfer Instruction means any Voice Initiated Redemption or Voice Initiated Election.

For the purposes of these definitions, the singular includes the plural and the plural includes the singular, unless otherwise indicated.

General  
Exclusions -  
Applicable to All  
Insuring  
Clauses

- 2. This bond does not directly or indirectly cover:
  - a. loss not reported to the COMPANY in writing within sixty (60) days after termination of this Bond as an entirety;

- b. loss due to riot or civil commotion outside the United States of America and Canada, or any loss due to military, naval or usurped power, war or insurrection. This Section 2.b., however, shall not apply to loss which occurs in transit in the circumstances recited in INSURING CLAUSE 3., provided that when such transit was initiated there was no knowledge on the part of any person acting for the ASSURED of such riot, civil commotion, military, naval or usurped power, war or insurrection;
- c. loss resulting from the effects of nuclear fission or fusion or radioactivity;
- d. loss of potential income including, but not limited to, interest and dividends not realized by the ASSURED or by any customer of the ASSURED;
- e. damages of any type for which the ASSURED is legally liable, except compensatory damages, but not multiples thereof, arising from a loss covered under this Bond;
- f. costs, fees and expenses incurred by the ASSURED in establishing the existence of or amount of loss under this Bond, except to the extent covered under INSURING CLAUSE 11.;
- g. loss resulting from indirect or consequential loss of any nature;

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- h. loss resulting from dishonest acts by any member of the Board of Directors or Board of Trustees of the ASSURED who is not an Employee, acting alone or in collusion with others;
- i. loss, or that part of any loss, resulting solely from any violation by the ASSURED or by any Employee:
  - (1) of any law regulating:
    - a. the issuance, purchase or sale of securities,
    - b. securities transactions on security or commodity exchanges or the over the counter market,
    - c. investment companies,
    - d. investment advisors, or
  - (2) of any rule or regulation made pursuant to any such law; or
- j. loss of confidential information, material or data;
- k. loss resulting from voice requests or instructions received over the telephone, provided however, this Section 2.k. shall not apply to INSURING CLAUSE 7. or 9.

Specific  
Exclusions -  
Applicable To  
All Insuring  
Clauses Except  
Insuring  
Clause 1.

- 3. This Bond does not directly or indirectly cover:
  - a. loss caused by an Employee, provided, however, this Section 3.a. shall not apply to loss covered under INSURING CLAUSE 2. or 3. which results directly from misplacement, mysterious unexplainable disappearance, or damage or destruction of Property;
  - b. loss through the surrender of property away from premises of the ASSURED as a result of a threat:
    - (1) to do bodily harm to any natural person, except loss of Property in transit in the custody of any person acting as messenger of the ASSURED, provided that when such transit was initiated there was no knowledge by the ASSURED of any such threat, and provided further

- that this Section 3.b. shall not apply to INSURING  
CLAUSE 7., or  
(2) to do damage to the premises or Property of the  
ASSURED;
- c. loss resulting from payments made or withdrawals from any account  
involving erroneous credits to such account;
  - d. loss involving Items of Deposit which are not finally paid for any reason  
provided however, that this Section 3.d. shall not apply to INSURING  
CLAUSE 10.;
  - e. loss of property while in the mail;

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- f. loss resulting from the failure for any reason of a financial or depository institution, its receiver or other liquidator to pay or deliver funds or other Property to the ASSURED provided further that this Section 3.f. shall not apply to loss of Property resulting directly from robbery, burglary, misplacement, mysterious unexplainable disappearance, damage, destruction or removal from the possession, custody or control of the ASSURED.
- g. loss of Property while in the custody of a Transportation Company, provided however, that this Section 3.g. shall not apply to INSURING CLAUSE 3.;
- h. loss resulting from entries or changes made by a natural person with authorized access to a Computer System who acts in good faith on instructions, unless such instructions are given to that person by a software contractor or its partner, officer, or employee authorized by the ASSURED to design, develop, prepare, supply, service, write or implement programs for the ASSURED's Computer System; or
- i. loss resulting directly or indirectly from the input of data into a Computer System terminal, either on the premises of the customer of the ASSURED or under the control of such a customer, by a customer or other person who had authorized access to the customer's authentication mechanism.

Specific Exclusions -  
Applicable To All  
Insuring  
Clauses Except  
Insuring  
Clauses 1., 4., And 5.

- 4. This bond does not directly or indirectly cover:
  - a. loss resulting from the complete or partial non-payment of or default on any loan whether such loan was procured in good faith or through trick, artifice, fraud or false pretenses; provided, however, this Section 4.a. shall not apply



to INSURING CLAUSE  
8.;

- b. loss resulting from forgery or any alteration;
- c. loss involving a counterfeit provided, however, this Section 4.c. shall not apply to INSURING CLAUSE 5. or 6.

Limit Of  
Liability/Non-  
Reduction And Non-  
Accumulation Of  
Liability

5.

At all times prior to termination of this Bond, this Bond shall continue in force for the limit stated in the applicable sections of ITEM 2. of the DECLARATIONS, notwithstanding any previous loss for which the COMPANY may have paid or be liable to pay under this Bond provided, however, that the liability of the COMPANY under this Bond with respect to all loss resulting from:

- a. any one act of burglary, robbery or hold-up, or attempt thereat, in which no Employee is concerned or implicated, or
- b. any one unintentional or negligent act on the part of any one person resulting in damage to or destruction or misplacement of Property, or
- c. all acts, other than those specified in a. above, of any one person, or

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Non-  
Accumulation Of  
Liability  
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d. any one casualty or event other than those specified in a., b., or c. above, shall be deemed to be one loss and shall be limited to the applicable LIMIT OF LIABILITY stated in ITEM 2. of the DECLARATIONS of this Bond irrespective of the total amount of such loss or losses and shall not be cumulative in amounts from year to year or from period to period.

All acts, as specified in c. above, of any one person which

- i. directly or indirectly aid in any way wrongful acts of any other person or persons, or
- ii. permit the continuation of wrongful acts of any other person or persons

whether such acts are committed with or without the knowledge of the wrongful acts of the person so aided, and whether such acts are committed with or without the intent to aid such other person, shall be deemed to be one loss with the wrongful acts of all persons so aided.

Discovery

6.

This Bond applies only to loss first discovered by an officer of the ASSURED during the BOND PERIOD. Discovery occurs at the earlier of an officer of the ASSURED being aware of:

- a. facts which may subsequently result in a loss of a type covered by this Bond, or
- b. an actual or potential claim in which it is alleged that the ASSURED is liable to a third party,

regardless of when the act or acts causing or contributing to such loss occurred,  
even though the amount of loss does not exceed the applicable  
DEDUCTIBLE  
AMOUNT, or the exact amount or details of loss may not then be  
known.

Notice To  
Company -  
Proof - Legal  
Proceedings  
Against Company

7.

a.

The ASSURED shall give the COMPANY notice thereof at the earliest practicable moment, not to exceed sixty (60) days after discovery of loss, in an amount that is in excess of 50% of the applicable DEDUCTIBLE AMOUNT, as stated in ITEM 2. of the DECLARATIONS.

b.

The ASSURED shall furnish to the COMPANY proof of loss, duly sworn to, with full particulars within six (6) months after such discovery.

c.

Securities listed in a proof of loss shall be identified by certificate or bond numbers, if issued with them.

d.

Legal proceedings for the recovery of any loss under this Bond shall not be brought prior to the expiration of sixty (60) days after the proof of loss is filed with the COMPANY or after the expiration of twenty-four (24) months from the discovery of such loss.

e.

This Bond affords coverage only in favor of the ASSURED. No claim, suit, action or legal proceedings shall be brought under this Bond by anyone other than the ASSURED.



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Proof - Legal  
Proceedings  
Against Company  
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f. Proof of loss involving Voice Initiated Funds  
Transfer Instruction shall  
include electronic recordings of such  
instructions.

Deductible Amount

8.

The COMPANY shall not be liable under any INSURING CLAUSES of this Bond on account of loss unless the amount of such loss, after deducting the net amount of all reimbursement and/or recovery obtained or made by the ASSURED, other than from any Bond or policy of insurance issued by an insurance company and covering such loss, or by the COMPANY on account thereof prior to payment by the COMPANY of such loss, shall exceed the DEDUCTIBLE AMOUNT set forth in ITEM 3. of the DECLARATIONS, and then for such excess only, but in no event for more than the applicable LIMITS OF LIABILITY stated in ITEM 2. of the DECLARATIONS.

There shall be no deductible applicable to any loss under INSURING CLAUSE 1. sustained by any Investment Company.

Valuation

9.

**BOOKS OF ACCOUNT OR OTHER RECORDS**  
The value of any loss of Property consisting of books of account or other records used by the ASSURED in the conduct of its business shall be the amount paid by the ASSURED for blank books, blank pages, or other materials which replace the lost books of account or other records, plus the cost of labor paid by the ASSURED for the actual transcription or copying of data to reproduce such books of account or other records.

The value of any loss of Property other than books of account or other records used by the ASSURED in the conduct of its business, for which a claim is made shall be determined by the average market value of such Property on the business day immediately preceding discovery of such loss provided, however, that the value of any Property replaced by the ASSURED with the consent of the COMPANY and prior to the settlement of any claim for such Property shall be the actual market value at the time of replacement.

In the case of a loss of interim certificates, warrants, rights or other securities, the production of which is necessary to the exercise of subscription, conversion, redemption or deposit privileges, the value of them shall be the market value of such privileges immediately preceding their expiration if said loss is not discovered until after their expiration. If no market price is quoted for such Property or for such privileges, the value shall be fixed by agreement between the parties.

**OTHER PROPERTY**

The value of any loss of Property, other than as stated above, shall be the actual cash value or the cost of repairing or replacing such Property with Property of like quality and value, whichever is less.

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Securities  
Settlement

10. In the event of a loss of securities covered under this Bond, the COMPANY may, at its sole discretion, purchase replacement securities, tender the value of the securities in money, or issue its indemnity to effect replacement securities.

The indemnity required from the ASSURED under the terms of this Section against all loss, cost or expense arising from the replacement of securities by the COMPANY'S indemnity shall be:

- a. for securities having a value less than or equal to the applicable DEDUCTIBLE AMOUNT - one hundred (100%) percent;
- b. for securities having a value in excess of the DEDUCTIBLE AMOUNT but within the applicable LIMIT OF LIABILITY - the percentage that the DEDUCTIBLE AMOUNT bears to the value of the securities;
- c. for securities having a value greater than the applicable LIMIT OF LIABILITY - the percentage that the DEDUCTIBLE AMOUNT and portion in excess of the applicable LIMIT OF LIABILITY bears to the value of the securities.

The value referred to in Section 10.a., b., and c. is the value in accordance with Section 9, Valuation, regardless of the value of such securities at the time the loss under the COMPANY'S indemnity is sustained.

The COMPANY is not required to issue its indemnity for any portion of a loss of securities which is not covered by this Bond; however, the COMPANY may do so

as a courtesy to the ASSURED and at its sole discretion.

The ASSURED shall pay the proportion of the Company's premium charge for the Company's indemnity as set forth in Section 10.a., b., and c. No portion of the LIMIT OF LIABILITY shall be used as payment of premium for any indemnity purchased by the ASSURED to obtain replacement securities.

Subrogation - Assignment – 11.

Recovery

In the event of a payment under this Bond, the COMPANY shall be subrogated to all of the ASSURED'S rights of recovery against any person or entity to the extent of such payment. On request, the ASSURED shall deliver to the COMPANY an assignment of the ASSURED'S rights, title and interest and causes of action against any person or entity to the extent of such payment.

Recoveries, whether effected by the COMPANY or by the ASSURED, shall be applied net of the expense of such recovery in the following order:

- a. first, to the satisfaction of the ASSURED'S loss which would otherwise have been paid but for the fact that it is in excess of the applicable LIMIT OF LIABILITY,
- b. second, to the COMPANY in satisfaction of amounts paid in settlement of the ASSURED'S claim,
- c. third, to the ASSURED in satisfaction of the applicable DEDUCTIBLE AMOUNT, and





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Assignment –  
Recovery

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d. fourth, to the ASSURED in satisfaction of any loss suffered by the ASSURED which was not covered under this Bond.

Recovery from reinsurance or indemnity of the COMPANY shall not be deemed a recovery under this section.

Cooperation Of  
Assured

12.

At the COMPANY'S request and at reasonable times and places designated by the COMPANY, the ASSURED shall:

a. submit to examination by the COMPANY and subscribe to the same under oath,

b. produce for the COMPANY'S examination all pertinent records, and

c. cooperate with the COMPANY in all matters pertaining to the loss.

The ASSURED shall execute all papers and render assistance to secure to the COMPANY the rights and causes of action provided for under this Bond. The ASSURED shall do nothing after loss to prejudice such rights or causes of action.

Termination

13.

If the Bond is for a sole ASSURED, it shall not be terminated unless written notice shall have been given by the acting party to the affected party and to the Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, D.C., not less than sixty (60) days prior to the effective date of such termination.

If the Bond is for a joint ASSURED, it shall not be terminated unless written notice shall have been given by the acting party to the affected party, and by the

COMPANY to all ASSURED Investment Companies and to the Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, D.C., not less than sixty (60) days prior to the effective date of such termination.

This Bond will terminate as to any one ASSURED, other than an Investment Company:

- a. immediately on the taking over of such ASSURED by a receiver or other liquidator or by State or Federal officials, or
- b. immediately on the filing of a petition under any State or Federal statute relative to bankruptcy or reorganization of the ASSURED, or assignment for the benefit of creditors of the ASSURED, or
- c. immediately upon such ASSURED ceasing to exist, whether through merger into another entity, disposition of all of its assets or otherwise.

The COMPANY shall refund the unearned premium computed at short rates in accordance with the standard short rate cancellation tables if terminated by the ASSURED or pro rata if terminated for any other reason.

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If any partner, director, trustee, or officer or supervisory employee of an ASSURED not acting in collusion with an Employee learns of any dishonest act committed by such Employee at any time, whether in the employment of the ASSURED or otherwise, whether or not such act is of the type covered under this Bond, and whether against the ASSURED or any other person or entity, the ASSURED:

- a. shall immediately remove such Employee from a position that would enable such Employee to cause the ASSURED to suffer a loss covered by this Bond; and
- b. within forty-eight (48) hours of learning that an Employee has committed any dishonest act, shall notify the COMPANY, of such action and provide full

particulars of such dishonest act.

The COMPANY may terminate coverage as respects any Employee sixty (60) days after written notice is received by each ASSURED Investment Company and the Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, D.C. of its desire to terminate this Bond as to such Employee.

Other Insurance

14.

Coverage under this Bond shall apply only as excess over any valid and collectible insurance, indemnity or suretyship obtained by or on behalf of:

- a. the ASSURED,
- b. a Transportation Company, or
- c. another entity on whose premises the loss occurred or which employed the

person causing the loss or engaged the messenger conveying the Property involved.

Conformity

15.

If any limitation within this Bond is prohibited by any law controlling this Bond's construction, such limitation shall be deemed to be amended so as to equal the minimum period of limitation provided by such law.

Change or Modification

16.

This Bond or any instrument amending or affecting this Bond may not be changed or modified orally. No change in or modification of this Bond shall be effective except when made by written endorsement to this Bond signed by an authorized representative of the COMPANY.

If this Bond is for a sole ASSURED, no change or modification which would adversely affect the rights of the ASSURED shall be effective prior to sixty (60) days after written notice has been furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, D.C., by the acting party.

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If this Bond is for a joint ASSURED, no charge or modification which would adversely affect the rights of the ASSURED shall be effective prior to sixty (60) days after written notice has been furnished to all insured Investment Companies and to the Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, D.C., by the COMPANY.

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FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY

Endorsement No: 1

Bond Number: 81391896

NAME OF ASSURED: MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY  
D/B/A MFS INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

NAME OF ASSURED ENDORSEMENT

It is agreed that the NAME OF ASSURED in the DECLARATIONS is amended to read as follows:

MFS Series Trust I  
MFS Value Fund  
MFS Global Leaders Fund  
MFS U.S. Government Cash Reserve Fund  
MFS New Discovery Fund  
MFS Core Equity Fund  
MFS Research International Fund  
MFS Technology Fund  
MFS Low Volatility Global Equity Fund  
MFS Low Volatility Equity Fund

MFS Series Trust II  
MFS Growth Fund

MFS Series Trust III  
MFS Global High Yield Fund  
MFS High Yield Pooled Portfolio  
MFS High Income Fund  
MFS Municipal High Income Fund

MFS Series Trust IV  
MFS Blended Research Emerging Markets Equity Fund  
MFS Blended Research Global Equity Fund  
MFS Blended Research International Equity Fund  
MFS Global New Discovery Fund  
MFS U.S. Government Money Market Fund  
MFS Mid Cap Growth Fund

MFS Series Trust V  
MFS Research Fund  
MFS International New Discovery Fund  
MFS Total Return Fund

MFS Series Trust VI  
MFS Global Equity Fund  
MFS Global Total Return Fund  
MFS Utilities Fund

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MFS Series Trust VII  
MFS Equity Income Fund

MFS Series Trust VIII  
MFS Strategic Income Fund  
MFS Global Growth Fund

MFS Series Trust IX  
MFS Inflation-Adjusted Bond Fund  
MFS Corporate Bond Fund  
MFS Limited Maturity Fund  
MFS Municipal Limited Maturity Fund  
MFS Total Return Bond Fund

MFS Series Trust X  
MFS Aggressive Growth Allocation Fund  
MFS Absolute Return Fund  
MFS Blended Research Small Cap Equity Fund  
MFS Blended Research Value Equity Fund  
MFS Blended Research Growth Equity Fund  
MFS Conservative Allocation Fund  
MFS Emerging Markets Debt Fund  
MFS Emerging Markets Debt Local Currency Fund  
MFS Emerging Markets Equity Fund  
MFS International Growth Fund  
MFS International Value Fund  
MFS Global Bond Fund  
MFS Growth Allocation Fund  
MFS International Diversification Fund  
MFS Moderate Allocation Fund  
MFS Managed Wealth Fund

MFS Series Trust XI  
MFS Mid Cap Value Fund  
MFS Blended Research Core Equity Fund

MFS Series Trust XII  
MFS Lifetime 2015 Fund  
MFS Lifetime 2025 Fund  
MFS Lifetime 2035 Fund  
MFS Lifetime 2045 Fund  
MFS Lifetime 2055 Fund  
MFS Lifetime Income Fund  
MFS Lifetime 2020 Fund  
MFS Lifetime 2030 Fund  
MFS Lifetime 2040 Fund  
MFS Lifetime 2050 Fund  
MFS Equity Opportunities Fund

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MFS Series Trust XIII  
MFS Diversified Income Fund  
MFS Global Real Estate Fund  
MFS Government Securities Fund  
MFS New Discovery Value Fund

MFS Series Trust XIV  
MFS Institutional Money Market Portfolio

MFS Series Trust XV  
MFS Commodity Strategy Fund  
MFS Global Alternative Strategy Fund

MFS Series Trust XVI  
MFS Global Multi-Asset Fund

Stand Alone Funds  
Massachusetts Investors Growth Stock Fund  
Massachusetts Investors Trust

Closed End Funds  
MFS California Municipal Fund  
MFS Intermediate High Income Fund  
MFS High Yield Municipal Trust  
MFS High Income Municipal Trust  
MFS Investment Grade Municipal Trust  
MFS Charter Income Trust  
MFS Municipal Income Trust  
MFS Special Value Trust  
MFS Government Markets Income Trust  
MFS Intermediate Income Trust  
MFS Multimarket Income Trust

MFS Municipal Series Trust  
MFS Alabama Municipal Bond Fund  
MFS Arkansas Municipal Bond Fund  
MFS California Municipal Bond Fund  
MFS Georgia Municipal Bond Fund  
MFS Massachusetts Municipal Bond Fund  
MFS Maryland Municipal Bond Fund  
MFS Municipal Income Fund  
MFS Mississippi Municipal Bond Fund  
MFS North Carolina Municipal Bond Fund  
MFS New York Municipal Bond Fund  
MFS Pennsylvania Municipal Bond Fund  
MFS South Carolina Municipal Bond Fund

MFS Tennessee Municipal Bond Fund  
MFS Virginia Municipal Bond Fund  
MFS West Virginia Municipal Bond Fund

MFS Institutional Trust  
MFS Institutional International Equity Fund  
MFS Institutional Large Cap Value Fund

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MFS Variable Insurance Trust  
MFS Growth Series  
MFS Total Return Bond Series  
MFS Research Series  
MFS Global Equity Series  
MFS Investors Trust Series  
MFS Value Series  
MFS Mid Cap Growth Series  
MFS New Discovery Series  
MFS Total Return Series  
MFS Utilities Series

MFS Variable Insurance Trust II  
MFS Corporate Bond Portfolio  
MFS Blended Research Core Equity Portfolio  
MFS Emerging Markets Equity Portfolio  
MFS International Value Portfolio  
MFS International Growth Portfolio  
MFS Government Securities Portfolio  
MFS High Yield Portfolio  
MFS Massachusetts Investors Growth Stock Portfolio  
MFS Money Market Portfolio  
MFS Global Research Portfolio  
MFS Core Equity Portfolio  
MFS Research International Portfolio  
MFS Strategic Income Portfolio  
MFS Technology Portfolio  
MFS Global Growth Portfolio  
MFS Global Governments Portfolio  
MFS Global Tactical Allocation Portfolio

MFS Variable Insurance Trust III  
MFS Conservative Allocation Portfolio  
MFS New Discovery Value Portfolio  
MFS Growth Allocation Portfolio  
MFS Inflation-Adjusted Bond Portfolio  
MFS Limited Maturity Portfolio  
MFS Moderate Allocation Portfolio  
MFS Mid Cap Value Portfolio  
MFS Global Real Estate Portfolio  
MFS Blended Research Small Cap Equity Portfolio

LLC Funds Board  
MFS International Concentrated Equity LLC  
MFS International Growth LLC

MFS Emerging Markets Debt LLC  
MFS Global Equity LLC  
MFS International Research Equity LLC

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Heritage Trust Board

MFS Heritage Trust Company CIT - MFS Blended Research Large Cap Growth Fund  
MFS Heritage Trust Company CIT - MFS International Value Fund  
MFS Heritage Trust Company CIT - MFS Global Value Fund  
MFS Heritage Trust Company CIT - MFS International Growth Fund II  
MFS Heritage Trust Company CIT - MFS International Small Cap Equity Fund  
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MFS Heritage Trust Company CIT - MFS Low Volatility Global Equity Fund  
MFS Heritage Trust Company CIT - MFS International Growth ex-Emerging Market Fund

Other

MFS Intermarket Income Trust 1  
MFS Commodity Strategy Portfolio  
Massachusetts Financial Services Company  
MFS Institutional Advisors, Inc.  
3060097 Nova Scotia Company  
MFS Investment Management Canada Limited  
MFS International Singapore Pte. Ltd.  
MFS Service Center, Inc.  
MFS Heritage Trust Company  
MFS Fund Distributors, Inc.  
MFS International Ltd.  
MFS International (U.K) Limited  
MFS do Brasil Desenvolvimento, de Mercado Ltda (Brazil)  
MFS International (Hong Kong) Limited  
MFS Investment Management Company (Lux.) S.a.r.l.  
MFS Investment Management K.K.  
MFS Development Funds, LLC  
MFS International Switzerland GmbH  
MFS International (Chile) SpA  
MFS International Holdings Pty Ltd  
MFS Bermuda Holdings Ltd  
MFS Exchange LLC  
MFS International Australia Pty Ltd

This Endorsement applies to loss discovered after 12:01 a.m. on November 1, 2015.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS BOND REMAIN UNCHANGED.

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FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY

Endorsement No.2

Bond Number:81391896

NAME OF ASSURED: MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY  
D/B/A MFS INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

REVISE ITEM 2. ENDORSEMENT

It is agreed that this Bond is amended by deleting ITEM 2. in its entirety on the DECLARATIONS and substituting the following:

ITEM 2. LIMITS OF LIABILITY-DEDUCTIBLE AMOUNTS:

If "Not Covered" is inserted below opposite any specified INSURING CLAUSE, such INSURING CLAUSE and any other reference to such INSURING CLAUSE in this Bond shall be deemed to be deleted. There shall be no deductible applicable to any loss under INSURING CLAUSE 1 sustained by any Investment Company.

INSURING CLAUSE	SINGLE LOSS LIMIT OF LIABILITY	DEDUCTIBLE AMOUNT
1. Employee	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 100,000
2. On Premises	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 100,000
3. In Transit	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 100,000
4. Forgery or Alteration	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 100,000
5. Extended Forgery	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 100,000
6. Counterfeit Money	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 100,000
7. Threats to Person	\$ Not Covered	\$ Not Covered
8. Computer System	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 100,000
9. Voice Initiated Funds Transfer Instruction	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 100,000
10. Uncollectible Items of Deposit	\$ 250,000	\$ 100,000
11. Audit Expense	\$ 250,000	\$ 100,000
12. Unauthorized Signature	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 100,000
13. Claims Expense	\$ 250,000	\$ 100,000
14. Automated Phone System	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 100,000
15. Computer Systems & Voice Instruction	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 100,000
16. Destruction of Data or Programs by Hacker	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 100,000
17. Destruction of Data or Programs by Virus	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 100,000

This Endorsement applies to loss discovered after 12:01 a.m. on November 1, 2015.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS BOND REMAIN UNCHANGED.

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FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY

Endorsement No.: 3

Bond Number:

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NAME OF ASSURED: MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY  
D/B/A MFS INVESTMENT  
MANAGEMENT

UNAUTHORIZED SIGNATURE ENDORSEMENT

It is agreed that this Bond is amended as follows:

1. By adding the following INSURING CLAUSE:

12. Unauthorized Signature

Loss resulting directly from the ASSURED having accepted, paid or cashed any check  
or  
Withdrawal Order made or drawn on or against the account of the ASSURED'S  
customer  
which bears the signature or endorsement of one other than a person whose name and  
signature  
is on file with the ASSURED as a signatory on such account.

It shall be a condition precedent to the ASSURED'S right of recovery under this  
INSURING

CLAUSE that the ASSURED shall have on file signatures of all the persons who are  
signatories

on such account.

2. By adding to Section 1., Definitions, the following:

r. Instruction means a written order to the issuer of an Uncertificated Security requesting  
that the  
transfer, pledge or release from pledge of the specified Uncertificated Security be  
registered.

s. Uncertificated Security means a share, participation or other interest in property of or  
an

enterprise of the issuer or an obligation of the issuer, which  
is:

(1) not represented by an instrument and the transfer of which is  
registered on books

maintained for that purpose by or on  
behalf of the issuer, and

(2) of a type commonly dealt in on securities exchanges or  
markets, and

(3) either one of a class or series or by its terms divisible into a  
class or series of shares,

participations, interests or  
obligations.

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- t. Withdrawal Order means a non-negotiable instrument, other than an Instruction, signed by a customer of the ASSURED authorizing the ASSURED to debit the customer's account in the amount of funds stated therein.

This Endorsement applies to loss discovered after 12:01 a.m. on November 1, 2015.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS BOND REMAIN UNCHANGED.

Date: March 1, 2016

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FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY

Endorsement No.: 4

Bond Number: 81391896

NAME OF ASSURED: MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY

D/B/A MFS INVESTMENT

MANAGEMENT

CLAIMS EXPENSE ENDORSEMENT

It is agreed that this Bond is amended as follows:

1. By adding the following INSURING CLAUSE:

13. Claims Expense

Reasonable expense incurred by the ASSURED, solely for independent firms or individuals to determine the amount of loss where:

- (1) the loss is covered under the Bond, and
  - (2) the loss is in excess of the applicable DEDUCTIBLE AMOUNT.
2. Under General Exclusions-Applicable To All Insuring Clauses, Section 2.f. does not apply to loss covered under this INSURING CLAUSE.

This Endorsement applies to loss discovered after 12:01 a.m. on November 1, 2015.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS BOND REMAIN UNCHANGED.

Date: March 1, 2016

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ENDORSEMENT/RIDER

Effective date of  
this endorsement/rider: November 1, 2015

FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY

Endorsement/Rider No. 5

To be attached to and  
form a part of Bond No. 81391896

Issued to: MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY  
D/B/A MFS INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

AUTOMATED PHONE SYSTEM ENDORSEMENT

In consideration of the premium charged, it is agreed that:

- (1) The Insuring Clauses section is amended by adding the following Insuring Clause:

Automated Phone System  
Insuring Clause

Loss resulting directly from the ASSURED having transferred funds on the faith of any Automated Phone System (hereinafter "APS") Transaction, where the request for such APS Transaction is unauthorized or fraudulent and is made with the intent to deceive. In order for coverage to apply under this Insuring Clause the ASSURED shall maintain and follow all APS Designated Procedures with respect to APS Transactions. The isolated failure of the ASSURED to maintain and follow a particular APS Designated Procedure in a particular instance will not preclude coverage under this Automated Phone System Insuring Clause subject to the exclusions herein and in this Bond.

- (2) For purposes of this endorsement, the following terms shall apply:

Automated Phone System or APS means an automated system which receives and converts to executable instructions transmissions over the telephone through use of a touch-tone keypad or other tone system or voice recognition system, and always excluding transmissions from a computer system

or part thereof.

APS Transaction means any APS Purchase, APS Redemption, APS Election or APS Exchange.

APS Purchase means any purchase of shares issued by an Investment Company which is requested through an Automated Phone System.

APS Redemption means any redemption of shares issued by an Investment Company which is requested over the telephone by means of information transmitted by an individual caller through use of a telephone keypad or voice recognition system.

APS Election means any election concerning various account features available to Fund shareholders which is made over the telephone by means of information transmitted by an individual caller through use of a telephone keypad or voice recognition system. These features include account statements, auto exchange, auto asset builder, automatic withdrawal, dividend/capital gain options, dividend sweep, telephone balance consent and change of address.

APS Exchange means any exchange of shares in a registered account of one Fund into shares in an account with the same tax identification number and same ownership-type code of another Fund in the same complex pursuant to exchange privileges of the two Funds, which exchange is requested over the telephone by means of information transmitted by an Individual caller through use of a telephone keypad or voice recognition system.

APS Designated Procedures means all of the following procedures:

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- (1) Election in Application No APS Redemption shall be executed unless the shareholder to whose account such an APS Redemption relates has previously elected to permit Telephone Redemptions.
- (2) Logging: All APS Purchases, Redemptions or Exchanges shall be logged or otherwise recorded and the records shall be retained for at least six (6) months. Information contained in the records shall be capable of being retrieved and produced within a reasonable time after retrieval of specific information is requested, at a success rate of no less than 85 percent.
- (3) Identity Test: The caller in any request for an APS Transaction, must first input his/her account number, the last four digits of his/her social security number, and finally, his/her personal identification number ("PIN"). It is proposed that in addition to this procedure, a customer may:
  - (a) begin by saying or pressing his/her account number, then say or press his/her PIN, or
  - (b) begin by saying or pressing his/her social security number, then say or press his/her PIN and lastly, say name of fund or account number (or press account number).
  - (c) Limited attempts to Enter PIN: If the caller fails to enter a correct PIN within (3) three attempts, the caller must not be allowed additional attempts during the same telephone call to enter the PIN. The caller may either be instructed to redial a customer service representative or may be immediately connected to such a representative.
  - (d) Written Confirmation: A written confirmation of any APS Purchase, Redemption, Exchange or change of address shall be mailed to the shareholder(s) to whose account such transaction relates, at the record address, by the end of the ASSURED'S next regular processing cycle, but in no event later than five (5) business days following such APS Transaction.

- (e) Access to APS Equipment: Access to the equipment which permits the entity receiving the APS Transaction request to process and effect the transaction shall be limited in the following manner: The Shareholder Services Group, Inc., accesses the hardware housing the Mutual Fund On-Line system which effects transactions.
- (3) With respect to the coverage afforded pursuant to the Automated Phone Systems Insuring Clause, this Bond does not directly or indirectly cover any loss resulting from:
- (1) the redemption of shares, where the proceeds of such redemption are made payable to other than  
(i) the shareholder of record, or (ii) a person designated to receive redemption proceeds, or (iii) a bank account designated to receive redemption proceeds; or
  - (2) the redemption of shares, where the proceeds of such redemption are paid by check mailed to any address, unless such address has either been (i) designated by voice over the telephone or in writing without a signature guarantee. In either case at least thirty (30) days prior to such redemption, or (ii) designated, or (iii) verified by any other procedures, if such procedures are stated below in this Endorsement; or
  - (3) the redemption of shares, where the proceeds of such redemption are paid by wire transfer to other than the shareholders designated bank account of record; or
  - (4) the intentional failure to adhere to one or more APS Designated Procedures.

The title and any headings in this endorsement/rider are solely for convenience and form no part of the terms and conditions of coverage.

All other terms, conditions and limitations of this Bond shall remain unchanged.

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ENDORSEMENT/RIDER

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FEDERAL INSURANCE  
COMPANY  
Endorsement/Rider No. 6  
To be attached to and  
form a part of Policy No. 81391896

Issued to: MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY  
COMPUTER SYSTEMS AND VOICE INSTRUCTIONS ENDORSEMENT  
(WITH INTERNET RIDER)

In consideration of the premium charged, it is agreed that:

1. This bond is amended by adding the following additional Insuring Clause:  
Computer Systems And Voice Instructions Insuring Clause
  - (A) Loss resulting directly from a fraudulent:
    - (1) entry of data into, or
    - (2) change of data elements or programs within a "Computer System" (as defined below),  
provided the fraudulent entry or change causes:
      - (a) Property to be transferred, paid or delivered,
      - (b) an account of the ASSURED, or of its customer, to be added, deleted, debited or credited, or
      - (c) an unauthorized account or a fictitious account to be debited or credited;
    - (3) voice instructions or advices having been transmitted to the ASSURED or its agent(s) by telephone; and provided further, the fraudulent entry or change is made or caused by an individual acting with the manifest intent to:
      - (a) cause the ASSURED or its agent(s) to sustain a loss, and
      - (b) obtain financial benefit for that individual or for other persons intended by that individual to receive financial benefit,
      - (c) and further provided such voice instructions or advices:
        - (i) were made by a person who purported to represent an individual authorized to make such voice instructions or advices; and
        - (ii) were electronically recorded by the ASSURED or its agent(s).

- (4) It shall be a condition to recovery under this Computer Systems And Voice Instructions Insuring Clause that the ASSURED or its agent(s) shall to the best of their ability electronically record all voice instructions or advices received over telephone. The ASSURED or its agent(s) warrant that they shall make their best efforts to maintain the electronic recording system on a continuous basis.

Nothing, however, in this endorsement shall bar the ASSURED from recovery where no recording is available because of mechanical failure of the device used in making such recording, or because of failure of the media used to record a conversation from any cause, or error or omission of any Employee(s) or agent(s) of the ASSURED.

- (B) Loss resulting by reason of the ASSURED having transferred, paid, or delivered any funds or property, established any credit, debited any account or given any value on the faith of any instructions directed to the ASSURED over the Internet authorizing or acknowledging the transfer, payment, delivery or receipt of funds or property which instructions were transmitted over the Internet directly to the ASSURED and fraudulently purport to have been sent by a customer, an office of the ASSURED or another financial institution, but which instructions were either transmitted over the Internet, without the knowledge or consent of said person, or were fraudulently modified during transmission over the Internet to the ASSURED.

2. For purposes of this endorsement, the following terms shall apply

“Computer System” means:

- (a) computers with related peripheral components, including storage components, wherever located,  
(b) systems and applications software,  
(c) terminal devices,

- (d) related communication networks or customer communication systems, and
- (e) related "Electronic Funds Transfer Systems" (as defined below),

by which data are electronically collected, transmitted, processed, stored, and retrieved; provided that the coverage afforded pursuant to the terms of this endorsement shall apply to all Computer Systems used by the ASSURED.

"Electronic Funds Transfer System" means automated teller machines, point of sale terminals, and other similar operating systems and includes any shared networks, or other similar facilities for such systems, in which the ASSURED participates.

3. In addition to the exclusions in the attached bond, the following exclusions are applicable to this Computer Systems And Voice Instructions Insuring Clause:

- (a) loss resulting directly or indirectly from the theft of confidential information, material or data;
- (b) loss resulting directly or indirectly from entries or changes made by an individual authorized to have access to a Computer System who acts in good faith on instructions, unless such instructions are given to that individual by a software contractor (or by a partner, officer or employee thereof) authorized by the ASSURED to design, develop, prepare, supply service, write or implement programs for the ASSURED'S Computer System. This exclusion shall only apply to that customer's account.

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4. The coverage afforded by this endorsement applies only to loss discovered by the ASSURED during the period this endorsement is in force.
5. All loss or series of losses involving the fraudulent activity of one individual, or involving fraudulent activity in which one individual is implicated, whether or not that individual is specifically identified, shall be treated as one loss. A series of losses involving unidentified individuals but arising from the same method of operation may be deemed by the COMPANY to involve the same individual and in that event shall be treated as one loss.
6. The COMPANY'S maximum Limit of Liability for this Computer Systems And Voice Instructions Insuring Clause is \$25,000,000, which is part of \$55,000,000, and is subject to a deductible of \$100,000, which applies to each and every loss.
7. If any loss is covered under this Insuring Clause and any other Insuring Clause or Coverage, the maximum amount payable for such loss shall not exceed the largest amount available under anyone Insuring Clause or Coverage.
8. Coverage under this endorsement shall terminate upon termination or cancellation of the bond to which this endorsement is attached. Coverage under this endorsement may also be terminated or cancelled without cancelling the bond as an entirety:
  - (a) ninety (90) days after receipt by the ASSURED of written notice from the COMPANY of its desire to terminate or cancel coverage under this endorsement, or
  - (b) immediately upon receipt by the COMPANY of a written request from the ASSURED to terminate or cancel coverage under this endorsement.

The COMPANY shall refund to the ASSURED the unearned premium for this coverage under this endorsement. The refund shall be computed at short rates if this endorsement is terminated or cancelled or reduced by notice from, or at the instance of, the ASSURED.

9. Section 7, Notice to Company-Proof-Legal Proceedings Against Company, of the Conditions and Limitations of this bond is amended by adding the following sentence:

Proof of loss resulting from voice instructions or advices covered under this bond shall include electronic recordings of such voice instructions or advices.

10. Notwithstanding the foregoing, however, coverage afforded by this endorsement is not designed to provide protection against loss covered under a separate Electronic and Computer Crime Policy by whatever title assigned or written by any insurer. Any loss which is covered under such separate Policy is excluded from coverage under this bond; and the ASSURED agrees to make claim for such loss under its separate Policy.

The title and any headings in this endorsement/rider are solely for convenience and form no part of the terms and conditions of coverage.

All other terms, conditions and limitations of this Policy shall remain unchanged.

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ENDORSEMENT/RIDER

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this endorsement/rider: November 1, 2015

FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY  
Endorsement/Rider No. 7  
To be attached to and  
form a part of Policy No. 81391896

Issued to: MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY

DESTRUCTION OF DATA OR PROGRAMS BY HACKER  
ENDORSEMENT

In consideration of the premium charged, it is agreed that this Bond is amended as follows:

- (1) The Insuring Clauses section is amended by adding the following:  
Insuring Clause: Destruction Of Data Or Programs By Hacker Insuring Clause  
Loss resulting directly from the malicious destruction of or damage to, Electronic Data or Computer Programs owned by the ASSURED or for which the ASSURED is legally liable while stored within a Computer System covered pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Computer Systems and Voice Instructions Endorsement [A NUMBER], attached to this Bond. The liability of the Company shall be limited to the cost of duplication of such Electronic Data or Computer Programs from other Electronic Data or Computer Programs which shall have been furnished by the ASSURED. In the event, however, that destroyed or damaged Computer Programs cannot be duplicated from other Computer Programs, the Company will pay the cost incurred for computer time, computer programmers, consultants or other technical specialists as is reasonably necessary to restore Computer Programs to substantially the previous level of operational capability. The Company's maximum Limit of Liability for this Destruction Of Data Or Programs By Hacker Insuring Clause is \$25,000,000, which is part of \$55,000,000, and is subject to a deductible of \$100,000, which applies to each and every loss.
- (2) For purposes of this endorsement, the definition of Computer System, as set forth in Subsection 1, Definitions, of the Conditions and Limitations Section, is deleted and replaced with the following:  
Computer System means:
  - (a) computers with related peripheral components, including storage components, wherever located,
  - (b) systems and applications software,



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- (c) terminal devices,
  - (d) related communication networks or customer communication systems, and
  - (e) related Electronic Funds Transfer Systems,
- by which data are electronically collected, transmitted, processed, stored, and retrieved.
- (3) For purposes of this endorsement, the following terms shall apply:
- Electronic Data means facts or information converted to a form usable in a Computer System by Computer Programs and which is stored on magnetic tapes or disks, or optical storage disks or other bulk media.
- Computer Program means a set of related electronic instructions which direct the operations and functions of a computer or devices connected to it which enable the computer or devices to receive, process, store or send Electronic Data.

The title and any headings in this endorsement/rider are solely for convenience and form no part of the terms and conditions of coverage.

All other terms, conditions and limitations of this Policy shall remain unchanged.

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ENDORSEMENT/RIDER

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FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY

Endorsement/Rider No. 8

To be attached to and  
form a part of Policy No. 81391896

Issued to: MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY

DESTRUCTION OF DATA OR PROGRAMS BY VIRUS  
ENDORSEMENT

In consideration of the premium charged, it is agreed that:

- (1) The Insuring Clauses section is amended by adding the following Insuring Clause:

Destruction Of Data Or Programs By Virus Insuring Clause

Loss resulting directly from the malicious destruction of or damage to, Electronic Data or Computer Programs owned by the ASSURED or for which the ASSURED is legally liable while stored within a Computer System covered pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Computer Systems and Voice Instructions Endorsement 6, attached to this Bond, if such destruction or damage was caused by a computer programmer similar instruction which was written or altered to incorporate a hidden instruction designed to destroy or damage Electronic Data or Computer Programs in the Computer System in which the computer program or instruction so written or so altered is used.

The liability of the Company shall be limited to the cost of duplication of such Electronic Data or Computer Programs from other Electronic Data or Computer Programs which shall have been furnished by the ASSURED.

In the event, however, that destroyed or damaged Computer Programs cannot be duplicated from other Computer Programs, the Company will pay the cost incurred for computer time, computer programmers, consultants or other technical specialists as is reasonably necessary to restore Computer Programs to substantially the previous level of operational capability.

The Company's maximum Limit of Liability for this Destruction Of Data Or Programs By Virus Insuring

Clause is \$25,000,000, which is part of \$55,000,000 and is subject to a deductible of \$100,000, which applies to each and every loss.

- (2) For purposes of this endorsement, the definition of Computer System, as set forth in Subsection 1, Definitions, of the Conditions and Limitations Section, is deleted and replaced with the following:

Computer System means:

- (a) computers with related peripheral components, including storage components, wherever located,
- (b) systems and applications software,

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- (c) terminal devices,
  - (d) related communication networks or customer communication systems, and
  - (e) related Electronic Funds Transfer Systems, by which data are electronically collected, transmitted, processed, stored, and retrieved.
- (3) For purposes of this endorsement, the following terms shall apply:  
Electronic Data means facts or information converted to a form usable in a Computer System by Computer Programs and which is stored on magnetic tapes or disks, or optical storage disks or other bulk media.  
Computer Program means a set of related electronic instructions which direct the operations and functions of a computer or devices connected to it which enable the computer or devices to receive, process, store or send Electronic Data.

The title and any headings in this endorsement/rider are solely for convenience and form no part of the terms and conditions of coverage.

All other terms, conditions and limitations of this Policy shall remain unchanged.

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FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY

Endorsement/Rider No. 9

To be attached to and  
form a part of Bond No. 81391896

Issued to: MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY  
D/B/A MFS INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

AMEND DEFINITION OF EMPLOYEE ENDORSEMENT

In consideration of the premium charged, it is agreed that the definition of Employee as set forth in  
Section 1,

Definitions, of the Conditions and Limitations section, is amended to include any consultants and  
independent

contractors that have a valid contract with the ASSURED.

The title and any headings in this endorsement/rider are solely for convenience and form no part of the  
terms

and conditions of coverage.

All other terms, conditions and limitations of this Bond shall remain unchanged.

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FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY  
Endorsement/Rider No. 10  
To be attached to and  
form a part of Bond  
No. 81391896

Issued to: MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES  
COMPANY  
D/B/A MFS INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

DISHONEST OR FRAUDULENT ACT ENDORSEMENT

In consideration of the premium charged, it is agreed that:

- (1) Dishonest or fraudulent acts which meet any of the following criteria will not require notification by the ASSURED to the Company:
  - (i) Acts involving values of less than \$5,000 (five thousand dollars), or convictions involving any controlled substances as defined by federal and local law which:
    - (a) occurred more than three (3) years prior to the ASSURED'S discovery; and
    - (b) did not occur while employed by the ASSURED.
  - (ii) Any request for waiver for an Employee must include a description of the position to be held and a description of the facts and circumstances surrounding the legal infraction.
- (2)

The title and any headings in this endorsement/rider are solely for convenience and form no part of the terms and conditions of coverage.

All other terms, conditions and limitations of this Bond shall remain unchanged.

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ENDORSEMENT/RIDER

Effective date of

this endorsement/rider: November 1, 2015 FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY

Endorsement/Rider No. 11

To be attached to and  
form a part of Policy No. 81391896

Issued to: MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY

TELEFACSIMILE TRANSMISSIONS COVERAGE  
ENDORSEMENT

In consideration of the premium charged, it is agreed that this Bond is amended as follows:

- (1) The Insuring Clauses section is amended by adding the following Insuring Clause:

Telefacsimile Transmissions Insuring Clause

Loss resulting by reason of the ASSURED having transferred, paid or delivered any funds  
or

Property, established any credit, debited any account, or given any value on the faith of  
any fraudulent instructions sent by a customer or financial institution by Telefacsimile  
Transmission directly to the ASSURED authorizing or acknowledging the transfer,

payment, or  
delivery of funds or property, establishment of credit, debiting of an account or the giving  
of value

by the ASSURED, which Telefacsimile instructions:

- (i) fraudulently purport to have been sent by such customer or financial  
institution



but which Telefacsimile Instructions were transmitted without the knowledge or consent of such customer or financial institution by a person other than such customer or financial institution and which bear a forged signature.

- (2) The coverage afforded by this endorsement applies only to loss discovered by the ASSURED during the period this endorsement is in force. The first sentence of Subsection 6, Discovery, of the Conditions and Limitations section of this Bond does not apply to this Telefacsimile Transmissions Insuring Clause.
- (3) The Company's maximum Limit of Liability for this Telefacsimile Transmissions Insuring Clause is \$25,000,000, which is part of \$55,000,000, and is subject to a deductible of \$100,000, which applies to each and every loss.
- (4) Coverage under this endorsement shall terminate upon termination or cancellation of this Bond to which this endorsement is attached, and coverage under this endorsement may also be terminated or canceled without canceling the Bond as an entirety:
- (i) ninety (90) days after receipt by the ASSURED of written notice from the Company of its desire to terminate or cancel coverage under this endorsement, or
  - (ii) immediately upon receipt by the Company of a written request from the ASSURED to terminate or cancel coverage under this endorsement.

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(5) For purposes of this endorsement, the following terms shall apply:

"Telefacsimile" means a system of transmitting written documents by electronic signals over telephone lines to equipment maintained by the ASSURED for the purposes of reproducing a copy of said document. It does not mean electronic communication sent by Telex, TWX, or similar means of communication or through Electronic Communication System or through an Automated Clearing House.

"Forged Signature" means the handwritten signing of the name of another genuine person or the use of a copy of his signature without authority and with intent to cause the ASSURED to sustain a loss and to obtain financial benefit; it does not include the signing in whole or in part of one's own name, with or without authority, in any capacity, for any purpose.

The title and any headings in this endorsement/rider are solely for convenience and form no part of the terms and conditions of coverage.

All other terms, conditions and limitations of this Policy shall remain unchanged.

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ENDORSEMENT/RIDER

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FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY

Endorsement/Rider No. 12

To be attached to and  
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Issued to: MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY  
D/B/A MFS INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

AMEND EXTENDED FORGERY INSURING CLAUSE ENDORSEMENT

In consideration of the premium charged, it is agreed that this Bond is amended by deleting paragraph b. of Insuring Clause 5, Extended Forgery, and replacing it with the following:

- b. guaranteed in writing or witnessed any signature upon any transfer, assignment, bill of sale, power of attorney, guarantee, endorsement, or other obligation upon or in connection with any Securities, documents or other written instructions; or purportedly guaranteed in writing or witnessed any signature on any transfer, assignment, bill of sale, power of attorney, guarantee, endorsement, or other obligation upon or in connection with any Securities, documents or other written instructions which purported guarantee was effected by the unauthorized use of a stamp or medallion of or belonging to the ASSURED which was lost, stolen or counterfeited and for which loss the ASSURED is legally liable.

The title and any headings in this endorsement/rider are solely for convenience and form no part of the terms and conditions of coverage.

All other terms, conditions and limitations of this Bond shall remain unchanged.

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ENDORSEMENT/RIDER

Effective date of  
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FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY

Endorsement/Rider No. 13

To be attached to and  
form a part of Policy  
No. 81391896

Issued to: MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY

CANCELLATION NOTICE ENDORSEMENT

In consideration of the premium charged, it is agreed that:

1. The COMPANY will mark its records to indicate that the Department of Member Firms of the New York Stock Exchange located at 11 Wall Street, New York, NY 10005, is to be notified promptly concerning the cancellation, termination or substantial modification of the attached bond, whether at the request of the ASSURED or the COMPANY, and will use its best efforts to so notify said Department, but failure to so notify said Department shall not impair or delay the effectiveness of any such cancellation, termination or modification.
2. Should this Bond be canceled, reduced, non-renewed or restrictively modified by the COMPANY, the COMPANY will to give thirty (30) days advance notice to Los Angeles Department of Water and Power Risk Management Section, P.O. Box 51111, Room 465, Los Angeles, CA 90051-5700, unless an earlier date of such cancelation is approved by the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power Risk Management Section.
3. Should this Bond be canceled or reduced at the request of the ASSURED, the COMPANY will notify

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Los Angeles Department of Water and Power Risk Management Section, P.O.  
Box 51111, Room

465, Los Angeles, C

after receipt of such request, unless an earlier date of such cancelation is approved by the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power Risk Management Section.

A  
90051-5700,  
of such  
cancellation or  
reduction  
within ten  
(10) business  
days

The title and any headings in this endorsement/rider are solely for convenience and form no part of the terms and conditions of coverage.

All other terms, conditions and limitations of this Policy shall remain unchanged.

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ENDORSEMENT/RIDER

Effective date of  
this endorsement/rider: November 1, 2015

FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY  
Endorsement/Rider No. 14  
To be attached to and  
form a part of Bond No. 81391896

Issued to: MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY  
D/B/A MFS INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT  
DELETING VALUATION-OTHER PROPERTY AND AMENDING CHANGE OR  
MODIFICATION

ENDORSEMENT

In consideration of the premium charged, it is agreed that this Bond is amended as follows:

1. The paragraph titled Other Property in Section 9, Valuation, is deleted in its entirety.
2. The third paragraph in Section 16, Change or Modification, is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:  
If this Bond is for a joint ASSURED, no change or modification which would adversely affect the rights of the ASSURED shall be effective prior to sixty (60) days after written notice has been furnished to all insured Investment Companies and the Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, D.C., by the COMPANY.

The title and any headings in this endorsement/rider are solely for convenience and form no part of the terms and conditions of coverage.

All other terms, conditions and limitations of this Bond shall remain unchanged.

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FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY

Endorsement No:

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Bond Number:

81391896

NAME OF ASSURED: MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY

D/B/A MFS INVESTMENT

MANAGEMENT

TERMINATION-NONRENEWAL-NOTICE ENDORSEMENT

It is agreed that this Bond is amended as follows:

1. By adding to Section 13., Termination, the following:

"Termination By The Company

Bonds In Effect For More Than Sixty (60) Days

If this Bond has been in effect for more than sixty (60) days, or, if this Bond is a renewal, the COMPANY may terminate by providing written notice of cancellation at least sixty (60) days before the

effective date of termination for at least one of the following reasons:

1. Nonpayment of premium;
2. Discovery of fraud or material misrepresentation in obtaining this Bond or in the presentation of a claim thereunder;
3. Discovery of willful or reckless acts or omissions or violation of any provision of this Bond on the part of the ASSURED which substantially and materially increases any hazard insured against, and which occurred subsequent to the inception of the current BOND PERIOD;
4. Conviction of the ASSURED of a crime arising out of acts increasing the hazard insured against;
5. Material change in the risk which increases the risk of loss after insurance coverage has been issued or renewed, except to the extent that the COMPANY should reasonably have foreseen the change, or contemplated the risk when the contract was written;
6. Determination by the Commissioner that the continuation of the Bond would jeopardize a COMPANY'S solvency or would place the COMPANY in violation of the insurance laws of any state;
7. Determination by the Commissioner that continuation of the present premium volume of the COMPANY would jeopardize the COMPANY'S policyholders, creditors or the public;
8. Such other reasons that are approved by the Commissioner;
9. Determination by the Commissioner that the COMPANY no longer has adequate reinsurance to meet the ASSUREDS needs;



10. Substantial breaches of contractual duties, conditions or warranties; or
11. Unfavorable underwriting facts, specific to the ASSURED, existing that were not present at the inception of the Bond.

### Bonds In Effect Sixty (60) Days Or Less

If this Bond has been in effect for sixty (60) days or less, and it is not a renewal Bond, the COMPANY may terminate for any reason by providing written notice of termination at least sixty (60) days before the effective date of termination.

### Notice Of Termination

Notice of termination under this Section shall be mailed or delivered, by certified mail, return receipt provided by the United States Postal Service, to the ASSURED and to the authorized agent or broker, if any, at least sixty (60) days prior to the effective date of cancellation at the address shown on the DECLARATIONS of this Bond.

If this Bond is cancelled for nonpayment of premium, the COMPANY will mail or deliver, by certified mail, return receipt provided by the United States Postal Service, a written notice at least thirty (30) days before the effective date of cancellation. The cancellation notice shall contain information regarding the amount of premium due and the due date, and shall state the effect of nonpayment by the due date. Cancellation shall not be effective if payment of the amount due is made prior to the effective date of cancellation.

All notice of cancellation shall state the reason(s) for cancellation.

There is no liability on the part of, and no cause of action of any nature shall arise against, the COMPANY, its authorized representatives, its employees, or any firm, person or corporation furnishing to the COMPANY, information relating to the reasons for cancellation or nonrenewal, for any statement made by them in complying or enabling the COMPANY to comply with this Section, for the provision of information pertaining thereto, or for statements made or evidence submitted at any hearings conducted in connection therewith, if such information was provided in good faith and without malice.

### Notice Of Nonrenewal

If the COMPANY elects not to renew this Bond, the COMPANY shall mail or deliver written notice, by certified mail, return receipt, provided by the United States Postal Service, to the ASSURED, at his last known address, at least sixty (60) days before the expiration date or before the anniversary date, if this

Bond has been written for a term of more than one (1) year. Such notice shall also be mailed to the ASSURED'S agent or broker, if any.

Such notice shall contain all of the following:

a.

Bond Number:

- b. Date of Notice;
- c. Reason for Cancellation;
- d. Expiration Date of the Bond;
- e. Effective Date and Hour of Cancellation.

Notice of nonrenewal shall not be required if the COMPANY or a COMPANY within the same insurance group has offered to issue a renewal Bond, the ASSURED has obtained replacement coverage or has agreed in writing to obtain replacement coverage, the ASSURED has requested or agreed to nonrenewal, or the Bond is expressly designated as nonrenewable.

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#### Return Premium Calculations

Any unearned premiums which have been paid by the ASSURED shall be refunded to the ASSURED on a pro rata basis if terminated by the COMPANY or the ASSURED. The unearned premiums shall be refunded to the ASSURED within forty-five (45) days of receipt of the request for cancellation or the effective date of cancellation, whichever is later.

#### Conditional Renewal

If the COMPANY offers or purports to renew the Bond, but on less favorable terms or at higher rates, the new terms or higher premiums may take effect on the renewal date, if the COMPANY mails or delivers by certified mail, return receipt provided by the United States Postal Service, to the ASSURED, notice of the new terms or premiums at least sixty (60) days prior to the renewal date. If the COMPANY notifies the ASSURED within sixty (60) days prior to the renewal date, the new terms or premiums do not take effect until sixty (60) days after the notice is mailed or delivered, in which case, the ASSURED may elect to cancel the renewal Bond within the sixty (60) day period. If the COMPANY does not notify the ASSURED of the new terms or premiums, the COMPANY shall continue the Bond at the expiring terms and premiums until notice is given or until the effective date of replacement coverage is obtained by the ASSURED, whichever occurs first.”

2. It is further understood and agreed that for the purposes of Section 13., Termination, any occurrence listed in this Section shall be considered to be a request by the ASSURED to immediately terminate this Bond.

This Endorsement applies to loss discovered after 12:01 a.m. on November 1, 2015.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS BOND REMAIN UNCHANGED.

Date: March 1, 2016

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ENDORSEMENT/RIDER

Effective date of  
this endorsement/rider: November 1, 2015

FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY

Endorsement/Rider No. 16

To be attached to and  
form a part of Policy No. 81391896

Issued to: MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY  
D/B/A MFS INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

AMEND TERMINATION SECTION ENDORSEMENT

In consideration of the premium charged, it is agreed that Section 13, Termination, of the Conditions and Limitations of this bond is amended as follows:

1. The first two paragraphs are deleted and replaced with the following:  
The COMPANY may terminate this bond as an entirety by furnishing written notice specifying the termination date which cannot be prior to ninety (90) days after the receipt of such written notice by Legal Department of fund and/or sponsor and/or the Risk Management Department of each Investment Company named as ASSURED and the Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, D.C. The ASSURED may terminate this bond as an entirety by furnishing written notice to the COMPANY. When the ASSURED cancels, the ASSURED shall furnish written notice to the Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, D.C. prior to ninety (90) days before the effective date of the termination. The COMPANY shall notify all other Investment Companies named as ASSURED of the receipt of such termination notice and the termination cannot be effective prior to ninety (90) days after receipt of written notice by all other Investment Companies. Premiums are earned until the termination date as set forth herein.
2. The last paragraph is deleted and replaced with the following:  
The COMPANY may terminate coverage as respects any Employee ninety (90) days after written notice is received by each ASSURED Investment Company and the Securities and Exchange

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Commission, Washington, D.C. of its desire to terminate this Bond as to such Employee.

The title and any headings in this endorsement/rider are solely for convenience and form no part of the terms and conditions of coverage.

All other terms, conditions and limitations of this Bond shall remain unchanged.

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FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY

Endorsement No.:

17

Bond Number:

81391896

NAME OF ASSURED: MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY

D/B/A MFS INVESTMENT

MANAGEMENT

AUTOMATIC ACQUISITION DOLLAR THRESHOLD ENDORSEMENT

It is agreed that this Bond is amended by deleting in its entirety General Agreement C., Additional Offices or Employees-Consolidation, Merger or Purchase or Acquisition of Assets or Liabilities-Notice To Company, and substituting the following:

C. Additional Offices or Employees-Consolidation, Merger or Purchase or Acquisition Of Assets or Liabilities-Notice To Company

If the ASSURED, other than an Investment Company, while this Bond is in force, merges or consolidates with, or purchases or acquires assets or liabilities of another institution, the ASSURED shall not have the coverage afforded under this Bond for loss which has:

- (1) occurred or will occur on premises,
- (2) been caused or will be caused by an employee, or
- (3) arisen or will arise out of the assets or liabilities,

of such institution, unless the ASSURED:

- a. gives the COMPANY written notice of the proposed consolidation, merger or purchase or acquisition of assets or liabilities prior to the proposed effective date of such action, and
- b. obtains the written consent of the COMPANY to extend some or all of the coverage provided by this Bond to such additional exposure, and
- c. on obtaining such consent, pays to the COMPANY an additional premium.

Notwithstanding anything stated above to the contrary, the COMPANY hereby agrees to provide coverage which shall be effective on the date of acquisition under this Bond for those acquired institutions in which the ASSURED owns greater than fifty percent (50%) of the voting stock or voting rights either directly or through one or more of its subsidiaries for the remainder of the BOND PERIOD, with no additional premium, provided the acquired institution meets all of the following conditions:

- i. the assets shall not exceed \$1,000,000,000,
- ii. there shall be neither any paid nor pending Bond claim for the three (3) year period prior to the date of acquisition, and
- iii. the ASSURED is not aware of any disciplinary action or proceeding by State or Federal officials involving the acquired institution as of the date of acquisition.



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The COMPANY further agrees that as respects any acquisition that involves a State or Federal regulatory assisted acquisition or assumption of assets and/or liabilities, coverage shall be provided under this Bond for the remainder of the BOND PERIOD as long as conditions i. and ii. above are met. As respects such acquisition or assumption of assets and/or liabilities, coverage applies only to a Single Loss fully sustained by the ASSURED on or after the date of such acquisition or assumption. All of the circumstances, conditions or acts causing or contributing to a Single Loss must occur on or after the date of such acquisition or assumption for coverage to apply regardless of the time such loss is discovered by the ASSURED.

This Endorsement applies to loss discovered after 12:01 a.m. on November 1, 2015.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS BOND REMAIN UNCHANGED.

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ENDORSEMENT/RIDER

Effective date of  
this endorsement/rider: November 1, 2015

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Endorsement/Rider No.

18

To be attached to and  
form a part of Bond No.

81391896

Issued to: MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY

AUTOMATIC INCREASE IN LIMITS ENDORSEMENT

In consideration of the premium charged, it is agreed that GENERAL AGREEMENTS, Section C. Additional Offices Or Employees-Consolidation, Merger Or Purchase Or Acquisition Of Assets Or Liabilities-Notice To Company, is amended by adding the following subsection:

Automatic Increase in Limits for Investment Companies

If an increase in bonding limits is required pursuant to rule 17g-1 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 ("the Act"), due to:

- (i) the creation of a new Investment Company, other than by consolidation or merger with, or purchase or acquisition of assets or liabilities of, another institution; or
  - (ii) an increase in asset size of current Investment Companies covered under this Bond,
- then the minimum required increase in limits shall take place automatically without payment of additional premium for the remainder of the BOND PERIOD.

The title and any headings in this endorsement/rider are solely for convenience and form no part of the terms and conditions of coverage.

All other terms, conditions and limitations of this Bond shall remain unchanged.

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FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY

Rider No.: 19

Bond Number: 81391896

Name of Insured:

MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL  
SERVICES COMPANY  
D/B/A MFS INVESTMENT  
MANAGEMENT

It is agreed that:

1. “Employee” as used in the attached bond shall include any natural person who is a director or trustee of the Insured while such director or trustee is engaged in handling funds or other property of any Employee Welfare or Pension Benefit Plan owned, controlled or operated by the Insured or any natural person who is a trustee, manager, officer or employee of any such Plan.
2. If the bond, in accordance with the agreements, limitations and conditions thereof, covers loss sustained by two or more Employee Welfare or Pension Benefit Plans or sustained by any such Plan in addition to loss sustained by an Insured other than such Plan, it is the obligation of the Insured or the Plan Administrator(s) of such Plans under Regulations published by the Secretary of Labor implementing Section 13 of the Welfare and Pension Plans Disclosure Act of 1958 to obtain under one or more bonds issued by one or more Insurers an amount of coverage for each such Plan at least equal to that which would be required if such Plans were bonded separately.
3. In compliance with the foregoing, payment by the Company in accordance with the agreements, limitations and conditions of the bond shall be held by the Insured, or, if more than one, by the Insured first named, for the use and benefit of any Employee Welfare or Pension Benefit Plan sustaining loss so covered and to the extent that such payment is in excess of the amount of coverage required by such Regulations to be carried by said Plan sustaining such loss, such

excess shall be held for the use and benefit of any other such Plan also covered in the event that such other Plan discovers that it has sustained loss covered thereunder.

4. If money or other property of two or more Employee Welfare or Pension Benefit Plans covered under the bond is commingled, recovery for loss of such money or other property through fraudulent or dishonest acts of Employees shall be shared by such Plans on a pro rata basis in accordance with the amount for which each such Plan is required to carry bonding coverage in accordance with the applicable provisions of said Regulations.
5. The Deductible Amount of this bond applicable to loss sustained by a Plan through acts committed by an Employee of the Plan shall be waived, but only up to an amount equal to the amount of coverage required to be carried by the Plan because of compliance with the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.

ERISA RIDER  
TO COMPLY WITH BONDING REGULATIONS MADE  
APPLICABLE TO THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT  
INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974.

NOTE: This rider should not be used for any insured exempted from the bonding provisions of the Act.

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6. Nothing herein contained shall be held to vary, alter, waive or extend any of the terms, conditions, provisions, agreements or limitations of the bond, other than as stated herein.
7. This rider is effective as of 12:01 a.m. on November 1, 2015.

Accepted:

Date: March 1, 2016

ERISA RIDER  
TO COMPLY WITH BONDING REGULATIONS MADE  
APPLICABLE TO THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT  
INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974.

NOTE: This rider should not be used for any insured exempted from the bonding provisions of the Act.

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FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY  
Endorsement No.: 20  
Bond Number: 81391896  
NAME OF ASSURED: MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY  
D/B/A MFS INVESTMENT  
MANAGEMENT

AMEND DISCOVERY ENDORSEMENT

It is agreed that this Bond is amended by deleting Section 6., Discovery, in its entirety and substituting the following:

6. Discovery  
This Bond applies only to loss first discovered by the Risk Management Department or Department of General Counsel of the ASSURED during the BOND PERIOD. Discovery occurs at the earlier of the Risk Management Department or Department of General Counsel of the ASSURED being aware of:
- a. facts which may subsequently result in a loss of a type covered by this Bond, or
  - b. an actual or potential claim in which it is alleged that the ASSURED is liable to a third party,
- regardless of when the act or acts causing or contributing to such loss occurred, even though the amount of loss does not exceed the applicable DEDUCTIBLE AMOUNT, or the exact amount or details of loss may not then be known.

This Endorsement applies to loss discovered after 12:01 a.m. on November 1, 2015.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS BOND REMAIN UNCHANGED.

Date: March 1, 2016

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ENDORSEMENT/RIDER

Effective date of  
this endorsement/rider: November 1, 2015

FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY  
Endorsement/Rider No. 21  
To be attached to and  
form a part of Policy No. 81391896

Issued to: MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY  
D/B/A MFS INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

AMEND NAME OF ASSURED (NEW FUNDS) ENDORSEMENT

In consideration of the premium charged, is agreed that:

1. The NAME OF ASSURED, as set forth on the DECLARATIONS of this Bond, shall include any newly created, merged, consolidated or terminated registered investment company sponsored by an ASSURED or any newly created portfolio of an ASSURED. Provided, however, that this provision shall not apply to a registered investment company that is created as a result of a merger, consolidation or acquisition with any other registered investment company.

The title and any headings in this endorsement/rider are solely for convenience and form no part of the terms and conditions of coverage.

All other terms, conditions and limitations of this Policy shall remain unchanged.

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FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY

Endorsement No.: 22

Bond Number:

81391896

NAME OF ASSURED: MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY

D/B/A MFS INVESTMENT  
MANAGEMENT

JOINT LOSS PAYEE ENDORSEMENT

It is agreed that this Bond is amended as follows:

1. At the written request of the Named ASSURED, any payment in satisfaction of loss covered by this Bond involving money, securities or other Property in which The Office of the City Attorney has an interest shall be paid by an instrument issued to that organization and the Named ASSURED as Joint Loss-Payees, subject to the following conditions and limitations:
  - a. The attached Bond is for the sole use and benefit of the Named ASSURED as expressed herein. The organization named above shall not be considered as an ASSURED under this Bond, nor shall it otherwise have any rights or benefits under said Bond.
  - b. Notwithstanding any payment made under the terms of this Endorsement or the execution of more than one of such similar Endorsement, the amount paid for any one loss occurrence or otherwise in accordance with the terms of this bond shall not exceed the LIMIT OF LIABILITY as set forth in the DECLARATIONS.
  - c. Nothing herein is intended to alter the terms, conditions and limitations of this Bond.
2. Should this Bond be canceled, reduced, non-renewed or restrictively modified by the COMPANY, the COMPANY will endeavor to give thirty (30) days advance notice to The Office of the City Attorney but failure to do so shall not impair or delay the effectiveness of any such cancellation, reduction, non-renewal or restrictive modification, nor shall the COMPANY be held liable in any way.
- 3.

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Should this Bond be canceled or reduced at the request of the ASSURED, the COMPANY will endeavor to notify The Office of the City Attorney of such cancellation or reduction within ten (10) business days after receipt of such request, but failure to do so shall not impair or delay the effectiveness of such cancellation or reduction, nor shall the COMPANY be held liable in any way.

This Endorsement applies to loss discovered after 12:01 a.m. on November 1, 2015.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS BOND REMAIN UNCHANGED.

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FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY

Endorsement No.: 23

Bond Number: 81391896

NAME OF ASSURED: MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY

D/B/A MFS INVESTMENT  
MANAGEMENT

JOINT LOSS PAYEE ENDORSEMENT

It is agreed that this Bond is amended as follows:

1. At the written request of the Named ASSURED, any payment in satisfaction of loss covered by this Bond involving money, securities or other Property in which Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana (8401 United Plaza Boulevard, Baton Rouge, LA 70809-7017) has an interest shall be paid by an instrument issued to that organization and the Named ASSURED as Joint Loss-Payees, subject to the following conditions and limitations:
  - a. The attached Bond is for the sole use and benefit of the Named ASSURED as expressed herein. The organization named above shall not be considered as an ASSURED under this Bond, nor shall it otherwise have any rights or benefits under said Bond.
  - b. Notwithstanding any payment made under the terms of this Endorsement or the execution of more than one of such similar Endorsement, the amount paid for any one loss occurrence or otherwise in accordance with the terms of this bond shall not exceed the LIMIT OF LIABILITY as set forth in the DECLARATIONS.
  - c. Nothing herein is intended to alter the terms, conditions and limitations of this Bond.
2. Should this Bond be canceled, reduced, non-renewed or restrictively modified by the COMPANY, the COMPANY will endeavor to give thirty (30) days advance notice to Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana (8401 United Plaza Boulevard, Baton Rouge, LA 70809-7017) but failure to do so shall not

impair or delay the effectiveness of any such cancellation, reduction, non-renewal or restrictive modification, nor shall the COMPANY be held liable in any way.

3. Should this Bond be canceled or reduced at the request of the ASSURED, the COMPANY will endeavor to notify Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana (8401 United Plaza Boulevard, Baton Rouge, LA 70809-7017) of such cancellation or reduction within ten (10) business days after receipt of such request, but failure to do so shall not impair or delay the effectiveness of such cancellation or reduction, nor shall the COMPANY be held liable in any way.

This Endorsement applies to loss discovered after 12:01 a.m. on November 1, 2015.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS BOND REMAIN UNCHANGED.

Date: March 1, 2016

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FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY

Endorsement No.: 24

Bond Number: 81391896

NAME OF ASSURED: MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY

D/B/A MFS INVESTMENT  
MANAGEMENT

JOINT LOSS PAYEE ENDORSEMENT

It is agreed that this Bond is amended as follows:

1. At the written request of the Named ASSURED, any payment in satisfaction of loss covered by this Bond involving money, securities or other Property in which KP International Equity Fund c/o SEI, 1 Freedom Valley Drive, Oaks PA 19456 has an interest shall be paid by an instrument issued to that organization and the Named ASSURED as Joint Loss-Payees, subject to the following conditions and limitations:
  - a. The attached Bond is for the sole use and benefit of the Named ASSURED as expressed herein. The organization named above shall not be considered as an ASSURED under this Bond, nor shall it otherwise have any rights or benefits under said Bond.
  - b. Notwithstanding any payment made under the terms of this Endorsement or the execution of more than one of such similar Endorsement, the amount paid for any one loss occurrence or otherwise in accordance with the terms of this bond shall not exceed the LIMIT OF LIABILITY as set forth in the DECLARATIONS.
  - c. Nothing herein is intended to alter the terms, conditions and limitations of this Bond.
2. Should this Bond be canceled, reduced, non-renewed or restrictively modified by the COMPANY, the COMPANY will endeavor to give thirty (30) days advance notice to KP International Equity Fund c/o

SEI, 1 Freedom Valley Drive, Oaks PA 19456 but failure to do so shall not impair or delay the effectiveness of any such cancellation, reduction, non-renewal or restrictive modification, nor shall the COMPANY be held liable in any way.

3. Should this Bond be canceled or reduced at the request of the ASSURED, the COMPANY will endeavor to notify KP International Equity Fund c/o SEI, 1 Freedom Valley Drive, Oaks PA 19456 of such cancellation or reduction within ten (10) business days after receipt of such request, but failure to do so shall not impair or delay the effectiveness of such cancellation or reduction, nor shall the COMPANY be held liable in any way.

This Endorsement applies to loss discovered after 12:01 a.m. on November 1, 2015.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS BOND REMAIN UNCHANGED.

Date: March 1, 2016

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FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY

Endorsement No.: 25

Bond Number: 81391896

NAME OF ASSURED: MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY

D/B/A MFS INVESTMENT  
MANAGEMENT

JOINT LOSS PAYEE ENDORSEMENT

It is agreed that this Bond is amended as follows:

1. At the written request of the Named ASSURED, any payment in satisfaction of loss covered by this Bond involving money, securities or other Property in which KP Large Cap Equity Fund c/o/ SEI, 1 Freedom Valley Drive, Oaks PA 19456 has an interest shall be paid by an instrument issued to that organization and the Named ASSURED as Joint Loss-Payees, subject to the following conditions and limitations:
  - a. The attached Bond is for the sole use and benefit of the Named ASSURED as expressed herein. The organization named above shall not be considered as an ASSURED under this Bond, nor shall it otherwise have any rights or benefits under said Bond.
  - b. Notwithstanding any payment made under the terms of this Endorsement or the execution of more than one of such similar Endorsement, the amount paid for any one loss occurrence or otherwise in accordance with the terms of this bond shall not exceed the LIMIT OF LIABILITY as set forth in the DECLARATIONS.
  - c. Nothing herein is intended to alter the terms, conditions and limitations of this Bond.
2. Should this Bond be canceled, reduced, non-renewed or restrictively modified by the COMPANY, the COMPANY will endeavor to give thirty (30) days advance notice to KP Large Cap Equity Fund c/o/ SEI, 1 Freedom Valley Drive, Oaks PA 19456 but failure to do so shall not impair or delay the

effectiveness of any such cancellation, reduction, non-renewal or restrictive modification, nor shall the COMPANY be held liable in any way.

3. Should this Bond be canceled or reduced at the request of the ASSURED, the COMPANY will endeavor to notify KP Large Cap Equity Fund c/o/ SEI, 1 Freedom Valley Drive, Oaks PA 19456 of such cancellation or reduction within ten (10) business days after receipt of such request, but failure to do so shall not impair or delay the effectiveness of such cancellation or reduction, nor shall the COMPANY be held liable in any way.

This Endorsement applies to loss discovered after 12:01 a.m. on November 1, 2015.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS BOND REMAIN UNCHANGED.

Date: March 1, 2016

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ENDORSEMENT/RIDER

Effective date of  
this endorsement/rider: November 1, 2015

FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY

Endorsement/Rider No. 26

To be attached to and  
form a part of Policy No. 81391896

Issued to:

MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES  
COMPANY  
D/B/A MFS INVESTMENT  
MANAGEMENT

AMEND OTHER INSURANCE ENDORSEMENT

In consideration of the premium charged, it is agreed that:

- (1) Section 14., Other Insurance, of this Bond is amended to add the following paragraph to the end thereof:

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the foregoing paragraph, the coverage under this Bond shall apply specifically excess over the "Other Policy/Bond" scheduled below, or any renewal or replacement thereof; provided that this excess coverage provided under this Bond shall be subject to all of the terms, conditions, limitations and other provisions of this Bond, and in no event shall this Bond be construed to be subject to any terms, conditions, limitations or other provisions of the Other Policy/Bond or any other insurance, indemnity or suretyship policy/bond.

SCHEDULED OTHER POLICY/BOND

ASSURED	Carrier	Policy/Bond Number	Policy/Bond Limit of Liability	Policy/Bond Deductible
MFS- Offshore MFS Investment Mgmt.	Federal Insurance Co.	82179304	\$ 9,000,000	\$ 50,000

(2)

Payment of deductibles and payment of loss under the "Other Policy/Bond" set forth in the schedule above for a loss shall serve to reduce the applicable deductible under the attached Bond for that same loss.

The title and any headings in this endorsement/rider are solely for convenience and form no part of the terms and conditions of coverage.

All other terms, conditions and limitations of this Bond shall remain unchanged.

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FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY

Endorsement No.:

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Bond Number:

81391896

NAME OF ASSURED: MASSACHUSETTS FINANCIAL SERVICES  
COMPANY

D/B/A MFS INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

CO-SURETY ENDORSEMENT

In consideration of the premium charged, it is agreed that with respect to this endorsement:

(1)

The following terms shall have the following meanings:

Controlling Company means Federal Insurance Company

Company means, unless otherwise specified, each insurance company, including the Controlling Company, executing this endorsement.

Companies means, unless otherwise specified, all of the insurance companies, including the Controlling Company, executing this endorsement.

(2)

The following is added to Subsection 5, Limit of Liability/Non-Reduction and Non-Accumulation of Liability, of the Conditions and Limitations section:

Each Company shall be liable only for such portion of each loss as underwritten by such Company, as specified in this Endorsement, but in no event shall any Company be liable for an amount greater than that underwritten by it.

(3)

The following is added to Subsection 7, Notice to Company – Proof - Legal Proceedings Against the Company, of the Conditions and Limitations section:

In the absence of a request from any Company to pay premiums directly to it, premiums for this Bond may be paid to the Controlling Company for the account of all Companies. In the absence

- (4) of a request from any Company that notice of loss and proof of loss be given to or filed directly with it, the ASSURED giving such notice to and the filing of such proof with the Controlling Company shall be deemed to be in compliance with the conditions of this Bond for the giving of notice of loss and the filing of proof of loss, if given and filed in accordance with said conditions. The following is added to Subsection 13, Termination, of the Conditions and Limitations section:
- The Controlling Company may give notice in accordance with the terms of this Bond terminating the Bond as an entirety or as to any Employee or ASSURED, and any notice so given shall terminate the liability of all Companies as an entirety or as to such Employee or ASSURED, as the case may be.
- Any Company other than the Controlling Company may give notice in accordance with the terms of this Bond, terminating the entire liability of such other Company under this Bond or as to any person or entity.
- In the absence of a request from any Company that notice of termination by the ASSURED of this Bond in its entirety may be given to or filed directly with it, the giving of such notice in accordance with the terms of this Bond to the Controlling Company shall terminate the liability of all Companies as an entirety. The ASSURED may terminate the entire liability of any Company, under this Bond by giving notice of such termination to that Company and by sending a copy of such notice to the Controlling Company.
- In the event of the termination of this Bond as an entirety, no Company shall be liable to the ASSURED for a greater proportion of any return premium due the ASSURED than the percentage underwritten by that Company.

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In the event of the termination of this Bond as to any Company, such Company alone shall be liable to the ASSURED for any return premium due the ASSURED on account of such termination. The termination of the attached Bond as to any Company other than the Controlling Company shall not terminate or otherwise affect the liability of the other Companies under this Bond.

(5) It is agreed that the execution by the Controlling Company of the Declarations and all endorsements shall constitute execution by all Companies signing this endorsement.

(6) The following section is added:  
Claims Control  
The Controlling Company shall investigate, adjust and settle all claims arising under this Bond on behalf of all Companies. However, the Controlling Company shall not settle any claim which is considered binding on behalf of each Company individually for its proportion of any loss, without the prior written consent of each Company, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. The Companies shall be entitled to any and all particulars of any such claim and the Controlling Company shall provide each Company with prompt notice of any significant changes in the status or development of any claim, including reserve changes and settlement negotiations.

In no event shall the Controlling Company be liable for more than its proportionate share of loss as stated in this endorsement. The Companies shall be liable for their proportionate share of allocated loss expense incurred by the Controlling Company associated with any claim made under the Bond.

The title and any headings in this endorsement/rider are solely for convenience and form no part of the terms and conditions of coverage.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS BOND REMAIN UNCHANGED.

Underwritten for a SINGLE LOSS

FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY

LIMIT OF LIABILITY of \$25,000,000

Controlling Company  
CHUBB & SON  
A division of Federal Insurance Company  
Manager

Date: March 1, 2016

Underwritten for a SINGLE LOSS  
LIMIT OF LIABILITY of \$31,000,000

ICI Mutual Insurance Company

By  
Authorized Representative

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POLICYHOLDER  
DISCLOSURE NOTICE OF  
TERRORISM INSURANCE COVERAGE  
(for policies with no terrorism exclusion or sublimit)

Insuring Company:

You are hereby notified that, under the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act (the “Act”), this policy makes available to you insurance for losses arising out of certain acts of terrorism. Terrorism is defined as any act certified by the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, to be an act of terrorism; to be a violent act or an act that is dangerous to human life, property or infrastructure; to have resulted in damage within the United States, or outside the United States in the case of an air carrier or vessel or the premises of a United States Mission; and to have been committed by an individual or individuals as part of an effort to coerce the civilian population of the United States or to influence the policy or affect the conduct of the United States Government by coercion.

You should know that the insurance provided by your policy for losses caused by acts of terrorism is partially reimbursed by the United States under the formula set forth in the Act. Under this formula, the United States pays 85% of covered terrorism losses that exceed the statutorily established deductible to be paid by the insurance company providing the coverage. Beginning in 2016, the Federal share will be reduced by 1% per year until it reaches 80%, where it will remain.

However, if aggregate insured losses attributable to terrorist acts certified under the Act exceed \$100 billion in a calendar year, the Treasury shall not make any payment for any portion of the amount of such losses that exceeds \$100 billion.

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If aggregate insured losses attributable to terrorist acts certified under the Act exceed \$100 billion in a calendar year and we have met our insurer deductible under the Act, we shall not be liable for the payment of any portion of the amount of such losses that exceeds \$100 billion, and in such case insured losses up to that amount are subject to pro rata allocation in accordance with procedures established by the Secretary of the Treasury.

The portion of your policy's annual premium that is attributable to insurance for such acts of terrorism is: \$ -0-.

If you have any questions about this notice, please contact your agent or broker.

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Thank you for choosing Chubb.

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Important Notice:

The SEC Requires Proof of Your Fidelity Insurance Policy

Your company is now required to file an electronic copy of your fidelity insurance coverage (Chubb's ICAP Bond policy) to the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), according to rules adopted by the SEC on June 12, 2006.

Chubb is in the process of providing your agent/broker with an electronic copy of your insurance policy as well as instructions on how to submit this proof of fidelity insurance coverage to the SEC. You can expect to receive this information from your agent/broker shortly.

The electronic copy of your policy is provided by Chubb solely as a convenience and does not affect the terms and conditions of coverage as set forth in the paper policy you receive by mail. The terms and conditions of the policy mailed to you, which are the same as those set forth in the electronic copy, constitute the entire agreement between your company and Chubb.

If you have any questions, please contact your agent or broker.

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