Fiduciary Management, Inc. Verification and International Equity Hedged Composite Performance Examination Report

December 31, 2024





Verification and Performance Examination Report

Fiduciary Management, Inc.

We have verified whether Fiduciary Management, Inc. (the "Firm") has, for the periods from January 1, 1994 through December 31, 2024, established policies and procedures for complying with the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS®) related to composite and pooled fund maintenance and the calculation, presentation, and distribution of performance that are designed in compliance with the GIPS standards, as well as whether these policies and procedures have been implemented on a firm-wide basis. GIPS® is a registered trademark of CFA Institute. CFA Institute does not endorse or promote this organization, nor does it warrant the accuracy or quality of the content contained herein. We have also examined the Firm's International Equity Hedged Composite for the periods from January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2024.

The Firm's management is responsible for its claim of compliance with the GIPS standards, the design and implementation of its policies and procedures, and for the accompanying International Equity Hedged Composite's GIPS composite report. Our responsibilities are to be independent from the Firm and to express an opinion based on our verification and performance examination. We conducted this verification and performance examination in accordance with the required verification and performance examination procedures of the GIPS standards, which includes testing performed on a sample basis. We also conducted such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, for the periods from January 1, 1994 through December 31, 2024, the Firm's policies and procedures for complying with the GIPS standards related to composite and pooled fund maintenance, as well as the calculation, presentation, and distribution of performance, have been, in all material respects:

- Designed in compliance with the GIPS standards, and
- Implemented on a firm-wide basis.



Also, in our opinion, the Firm has, in all material respects:

- Constructed the International Equity Hedged Composite and calculated the International Equity Hedged Composite's performance for the periods from January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2024 in compliance with the GIPS standards; and
- Prepared and presented the accompanying International Equity Hedged Composite's GIPS composite report for the periods from January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2024 in compliance with the GIPS standards.

This report does not relate to or provide assurance on any specific performance report of the Firm other than the Firm's accompanying International Equity Hedged Composite's GIPS composite report, or on the operating effectiveness of the Firm's controls or policies and procedures for complying with the GIPS standards.

ACA Group

ACA Group, Performance Services Division

April 22, 2025

Fiduciary Management Inc. International Equity Hedged Composite 12/31/2014 - 12/31/2024

						Three Year Ex-Post Standard		То	tal			
						Deviation		Composite				
	Total	Total								Total Firm		
	Return	Return						Assets	End	Asse	ets End of	Percentage
	Gross of	Net of	*Benchmark	Number of				of Period		Pei	riod (\$	of Firm
Year	Fees %	Fees %	Return %	Portfolios	Dispersion %	Composite	*Benchmark	(\$ millions)		millions)		Assets %
2015	4.24	3.46	-1.00	<u><</u> 5	0.00	8.14	12.46	\$	2,832.9	\$	21,042.9	13.46%
2016	11.04	10.23	1.38	<u><</u> 5	0.38	7.39	12.00	\$!	5,946.2	\$	22,626.7	26.28%
2017	16.51	15.70	25.10	<u><</u> 5	0.02	7.04	11.03	\$	8,209.3	\$	25,322.0	32.42%
2018	-8.63	-9.27	-13.81	<u><</u> 5	0.06	7.22	10.82	\$ 6	6,287.8	\$	19,833.6	31.70%
2019	18.11	17.29	22.03	<u><</u> 5	0.08	8.30	10.97	\$	7,522.0	\$	22,609.9	33.27%
2020	0.98	0.25	7.58	<u><</u> 5	0.27	17.52	17.63	\$	3,576.9	\$	16,284.2	21.97%
2021	15.81	14.95	11.46	<u><</u> 5	0.00	17.57	16.54	\$	3,541.7	\$	17,068.4	20.75%
2022	-8.51	-9.19	-14.36	<u><</u> 5	0.00	19.31	20.18	\$	3,291.8	\$	13,021.5	25.28%
2023	23.21	22.33	18.40	<u><</u> 5	0.00	13.66	17.20	\$ 4	4,478.0	\$	14,729.1	30.40%
2024	8.48	7.69	3.50	<u><</u> 5	0.00	13.36	17.41	\$ 4	4,566.0	\$	14,761.5	30.93%

^{*}iShares MSCI EAFE ETF®

Returns reflect the reinvestment of dividends and other earnings.

The above table reflects past performance. Past performance does not guarantee future results. A client's investment return may be lower or higher than the performance shown above. Clients may suffer an investment loss.

Fiduciary Management, Inc. claims compliance with the Global investment Performance Standards (GIPS®) and has prepared and presented this report in compliance with the GIPS standards. Fiduciary Management, Inc. has been independently verified for the periods 12/31/1993 - 12/31/2024. A firm that claims compliance with the GIPS standards must establish policies and procedures for complying with all the applicable requirements of the GIPS standards. Verification provides assurance on whether the firm's policies and procedures related to composite and pooled fund maintenance, as well as the calculation, presentation, and distribution of performance, have been designed in compliance with the GIPS standards and have been implemented on a firm-wide basis. The International Equity Hedged Composite has had a performance examination for the periods 12/31/2010 - 12/31/2024. The verification and performance examination reports are available upon request.

FMI was founded in 1980 and is an independent investment counseling firm registered with the SEC and the State of Wisconsin. The firm manages over \$14.7 billion in assets of pension and profit sharing trusts, mutual funds, Taft-Hartley funds, insurance company portfolios, endowments and personal trusts. The firm includes both institutional and mutual fund business. Although the firm has participated in wrap programs, it is a separate and distinct business, and is excluded from firm-wide assets.

The International Equity Hedged Composite was created and incepted on 12/31/2010. This composite invests mainly in a limited number (usually between 25-40) of large capitalization (namely, companies with more than \$5 billion market capitalization) foreign companies.

The International Equity Hedged Composite reflects time-weighted and asset-weighted returns for all discretionary accounts. All returns are calculated using United States Dollars and are based on monthly valuations using trade date accounting. All accounts in this composite are fee paying. Gross of fees returns are calculated gross of management fees, gross of custodial fees, gross of withholding taxes and rof transaction costs. Net of fees returns are calculated net of actual management fees and transaction costs and gross of custodial fees and withholding taxes. Dispersion is calculated using the equal weighted standard deviation of all accounts in the composite for the entire period. As of 12/31/2011, the trailing three year annualized ex-post standard deviation for the Composite and Benchmark are required to be stated per GIPS®. FMI uses gross returns to calculate these.

Currently, the advisory fee structure for the International Equity Hedged Composite portfolios is as follows:

Up to \$25,000,000 0.70% \$25,000,001-\$50,000,000 0.65% \$50,000,001-\$100,000,000 0.60% \$100,000,001 and above 0.55%

The firm generally requires a minimum of \$10 million in assets to establish a discretionary account. The minimum account sizes do not apply to new accounts for which there is a corporate, family, or other substantial relationship to existing accounts. In addition, the firm reserves the right to waive the minimum account size and minimum annual fee under certain circumstances. A complete list and description of all firm composites and FMI distributed mutual funds are available upon request.

The iShares MSCI EAFE ETF® seeks to track the investment results of the MSCI EAFE Index (the "Underlying Index"), which has been developed by MSCI Inc. (the "Index Provider" or "MSCI"). The Underlying Index is a free float-adjusted, market capitalization-weighted index designed to measure large- and mid-capitalization equity market performance of developed markets outside of the U.S. and Canada. The Underlying Index includes stocks from Europe, Australasia and the Far East and, as of July 31, 2021, consisted of securities from the following 21 developed market countries or regions: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom (the "U.K."). AThe MSCI EAFE Net Index (USD)® is a free float-adjusted market capitalization index that is designed to measure the equity market performance of developed markets, excluding the US & Canada. The MSCI EAFE Net Index (USD)® consists of the following 21 developed market country indices: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, and the United Kingdom. It is reported in local currency and net of hedges. The International Equity Hedged composite uses the iShares MSCI EAFE ETF® as its primary benchmark comparison. In September 2022, the benchmark was changed from MSCI EAFE Net Index (USD)® to iShares MSCI EAFE ETF® for all periods.

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