

# NOTICE TO OUR VALUED CLIENTS AMENDMENTS TO THE DECLARATION OF TRUSTS OF PBCOM UNIT INVESTMENT TRUST FUNDS

Dear Valued Clients,

This is to inform you that the Philippine Bank of Communication (PBCOM) Board of Directors and the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) have approved the amendments on the PBCOM Unit Investment Trust Funds (UITFs) to comply and align with the provisions of BSP 1152:

- PBCOM PHP Money Market Fund
- PBCOM USD Money Market Fund
- PBCOM Best Balanced Fund
- PBCOM Value Equity Fund

You may refer to the attached Annex A for the summary of amendments. We have incorporated the amendments in our Declaration of Trust (DOT) which can be viewed in our website: <a href="https://www.pbcom.com.ph">www.pbcom.com.ph</a>.

These amendments were incorporated in the PBCOM UITFs' DOTs in compliance with current BSP regulations.

Your decision to remain invested in the Fund will be deemed as your conformity with these amendments. If you are not in conformity with the above amendments, please feel free to get in touch with us through any of our Business Development Officers listed below before December 26, 2023.

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Thank you very much.

Very truly yours,

PBCOM Trust and Wealth Management Group



### **ANNEX A – Summary of UITF Amendments**

Below is the full list of amendments to all PBCOM UITFs:

Article/Section	CURRENT	PROPOSED
All sections with	" subject to the requirements of	" subject to the requirements of Subsection
references to -	Subsection 4410Q of the MORNBFI"	414-Q of the MORNBFI"
Article VII – Rights of	A copy of this DOT shall be	A copy of this DOT shall be available at the
Participants, Section 1.	available at the principal office of	principal office of the Trustee for inspection by
Right to Inspect	the Trustee for inspection by any	any person having an interest in the Fund, <b>such</b>
Declaration	person having an interest in the	as customers, or by his authorized
	Fund or by his authorized representative. Upon request, a	representative. Upon request, a copy of this DOT shall be furnished to such interested person.
	copy of this DOT shall be furnished	shall be furnished to such interested person.
	to such interested person.	
Article VIII	"xxx. A copy of the report, or a	"xxx. A copy of the report, or a notice that the
Annual Audit Report	notice that the report is available	report is available and that a copy thereof will be
	and that a copy thereof will be	furnished upon request, without charge, shall be
	furnished upon request, without	sent to each Participant, whether hard copies or
	charge, shall be sent to each	electronically. Additionally, this report shall be
A a alii I	Participant."	made available on the trustee's website."
Appendix I Section 8. Other	None	Pursuant to BSP Circular No 1160, the investor, if he/she is a natural person, is entitled to
Participation		cancel his/her investment within two (2)
requirements and		banking days ("Cooling-Off Period") from the
conditions		date of the agreement. This provision shall
vii. Cooling-off period		cover UITFs that have underlying investments
		with a remaining term equal to or beyond one
		(1) year including, but not limited to
		government securities and corporate bonds. All
		discretionary pre-termination penalties such as holding period fees shall be waived. If the
		investor wishes to exercise his/her right to
		cancel the investment, the investor shall inform
		the Trustee via written notice to cancel which
		must be duly received by the Trustee within the
		prescribed Cooling-Off Period. As a result of the
		cancellation of the participation, the investor
		hereby agrees that any difference in the NAVPU
		shall be borne by the investor. After the
		expiration of the Cooling-Off Period, the
		investor understands and acknowledges that the right to cancel the investment under the
		aforementioned BSP circulars shall also expire,
		and any termination shall be governed by the
		terms and conditions of the agreement on

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		cancellation, including pre-termination fees
		and penalties, if any, shall apply.
Appendix I – Fund	I units shall be available to	I units shall be available to qualified participants
Specifications,	qualified participants who meet	who meet any of the following criteria:
Section 6. Eligible	any of the following criteria:	
investors for R & I Units		a. Qualified participant with either an
	Qualified participant with either an	Investment Management, Trust, or other
(Note: addition, not	Investment Management, Trust, or	Fiduciary accounts managed by the Trustee
part of the circular)	other Fiduciary accounts managed	with placement in own UITF of at least
	by the Trustee with placement in	twenty million (PHP 20,000,000) on a per
	own UITF of at least twenty million	fund basis.
	(PHP 20,000,000) on a per fund	b. Existing clients with total relationship
	basis.	balance or Assets Under Management of at
		least PHP20,000,000 with TWMG under
		either Investment Management, Trust or
		other Fiduciary accounts with minimum
		allowed investment in any of the Fund of
		<b>PHP 1,000,000.00.</b> (or USD400,000 and
		USD20,000 respectively for USD Fund)

For the specific amendments to each UITFs, these are mainly the change in fund description and inclusion of the benchmark description, as follow:

#### **PBCOM PHP MONEY MARKET FUND**

Article/Appendix/Section	CURRENT	PROPOSED
Appendix I – Fund Specifications, Section 1. Investment Objective	The primary investment objective of the Fund is to preserve capital and generate income from low risk investments. The fund aims to provide investors a vehicle for short-term placement investing primarily in PHP denominated government securities issued by the Republic of the Philippines, deposits in local banks or branches of foreign banks operating in the Philippines. This is a money market fund invested principally in short-term, fixed-income deposits and securities with a modified duration of one (1) year or less.	The primary investment objective of the Fund is to preserve capital and generate income from short-term PHP-denominated securities. The fund aims to provide investors a vehicle for short-term placement principally in bank deposits and fixed income securities with remaining terms to maturity of not more than three (3) years and has a weighted average portfolio life of one (1) year or less.
Appendix I – Fund Specifications, Section 3. Benchmark	91-day Treasury Bill	Average 91-day Treasury Bill Rate  The benchmark shall be the year to date average yield of the 91-day T-Bill, net of tax.  The 91-day T-Bill is a government debt security with a maturity of 91 days. The average yield of the 91-day T-Bill is based on

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the 91-day T-Bill auction results from the Bureau of Treasury (BTr). The Treasury Bill auction results are published weekly in the BTr website.
For more information on the benchmark, customers can visit the Bureau of Treasury website at www.treasury.gov.ph.

#### **PBCOM USD MONEY MARKET FUND**

	CURRENT	PROPOSED
Appendix I – Fund Specifications, Section 1. Investment Objective	The primary investment objective of the Fund is to preserve capital and generate income from low risk investments. The fund aims to provide investors a vehicle for short-term placement investing primarily in US Dollar denominated government securities issued by the Republic of the Philippines, deposits in local banks or branches of foreign banks operating in the Philippines. This is a money market fund invested principally in short-term, fixed-income deposits and securities with a modified duration of one (1) year or less.	The primary investment objective of the Fund is to preserve capital and generate income from short-term USD-denominated securities. The fund aims to provide investors a vehicle for short-term placement principally in bank deposits and fixed income securities with remaining terms to maturity of not more than three (3) years and has a weighted average portfolio life of one (1) year or less.
Appendix I – Fund Specifications, Section 3. Benchmark	Inclusion of benchmark description	Philippines USD Savings Deposit Rate (PPSDUS\$)  The benchmark shall be the year to date average of the Philippines USD Savings Deposit Rate. PPSDUS\$ is the average USD savings deposit rate compiled by the BSP based on the latest available reports submitted to them by Universal and Commercial banks. The report is published weekly in the BSP website and also accessible through the Bloomberg Professional Service Terminal.  For more information on the benchmark, customers can visit the BSP website at www.bsp.gov.ph.

#### **PBCOM BEST BALANCED FUND**

	CURRENT	PROPOSED
All sections with mention of the Name of the Fund and term 'Balanced Fund'	'PBCOM Best Balanced Fund'	PBCOM PHP Multi-Asset Fund
Appendix I – Fund Specifications, Section 1. Investment Objective	The primary investment objective of the Fund is to provide participants with medium to long term capital growth from a well-diversified portfolio of equity and fixed income securities. The Fund is a mixed portfolio of at least five percent (5%) to twenty percent (20%) invested in stocks listed in the Philippine Stock Exchange and a portfolio of medium to long term deposits and fixed-income securities. Cash maybe kept for liquidity and portfolio rebalancing purposes.	The primary investment objective of the Fund is to provide participants with medium to long term capital growth <i>The Fund invests in a diversified portfolio of fixed income securities, equities and other allowable investments for UITFs. The Fund has at least five percent (5%) to twenty percent (20%) invested in stocks listed in the Philippine Stock Exchange and a portfolio of medium to long term deposits and fixed-income securities.</i> Cash may be kept for liquidity and portfolio rebalancing purposes.
Appendix I – Fund Specifications, Section 3. Benchmark	Philippine Stock Exchange Index (PSEi) (20%) Bloomberg Philippines Sovereign Bond Index AI (BPHILIR) (80%)	The benchmark shall be the combined weighted return of the PSEI (80%) and the BPHILR (20%)  Philippine Stock Exchange Index (PSEi) The benchmark shall be the year to date performance of the PSEi. The PSEi is composed of the 30 largest and most active common stocks listed in the Philippine Stock Exchange based on a set of criteria including public float, liquidity and market capitalization. The index undergoes review and rebalancing by the PSE semi-annually. The composition and value of the PSEi is published daily in the PSE website and in major newspapers.  For more information on the benchmark, customers can visit the PSE website at www.pse.com.ph.  Bloomberg Philippine Sovereign Bond Index AI (BPHILR) The benchmark shall be the year to date performance of the BPHILR. BPHILR is a market-value weighted index engineered to measure the fixed-rate local currency

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securities publicly issued by the Philippines including retail securities, with a minimum issuance amount of PHP 3 billion. The index undergoes review and rebalancing by
Bloomberg monthly. The composition and value of BPHILR is published daily by Bloomberg through the Bloomberg Professional Service Terminal.
For more information on the benchmark, customers can visit the Bloomberg website at www.bloomberg.com.

#### **PBCOM VALUE EQUITY FUND**

	CURRENT	PROPOSED
Appendix I – Fund	"The primary investment objective of	"The primary investment objective of the
Specifications, Section	the Fund is to provide participants	Fund is to provide participants with income
1. Investment Objective	with income and long-term capital	and long-term capital growth in a portfolio of
	growth in a portfolio of stocks listed in	stocks listed in the Philippine Stock Exchange
	the Philippine Stock Exchange (PSE).	(PSE). The Fund is invested substantially, at
	The mandate of the fund is to invest	least 80% of its net asset value, in equities.
	substantially in equities (more than	xxx"
	80%). Xxx"	
Appendix I – Fund	Philippine Stock Exchange Index	Philippine Stock Exchange Index (PSEi)
Specifications, Section	(PSEi)	
3. Benchmark		The benchmark shall be the year to date
		performance of the PSEi. The PSEi is
		composed of the 30 largest and most active
		common stocks listed in the Philippine Stock
		Exchange based on a set of criteria including
		public float, liquidity and market
		capitalization. The index undergoes review
		and rebalancing by the PSE semi-annually.
		The composition and value of the PSEi is
		published daily in the PSE website and in
		major newspapers.
		For more information on the bond-
		For more information on the benchmark, customers can visit the PSE website at
		www.pse.com.ph.