

NORTHERN VIRGINIA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

MEMORANDUM

FOR: Chair Phyllis J. Randall and Members
Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

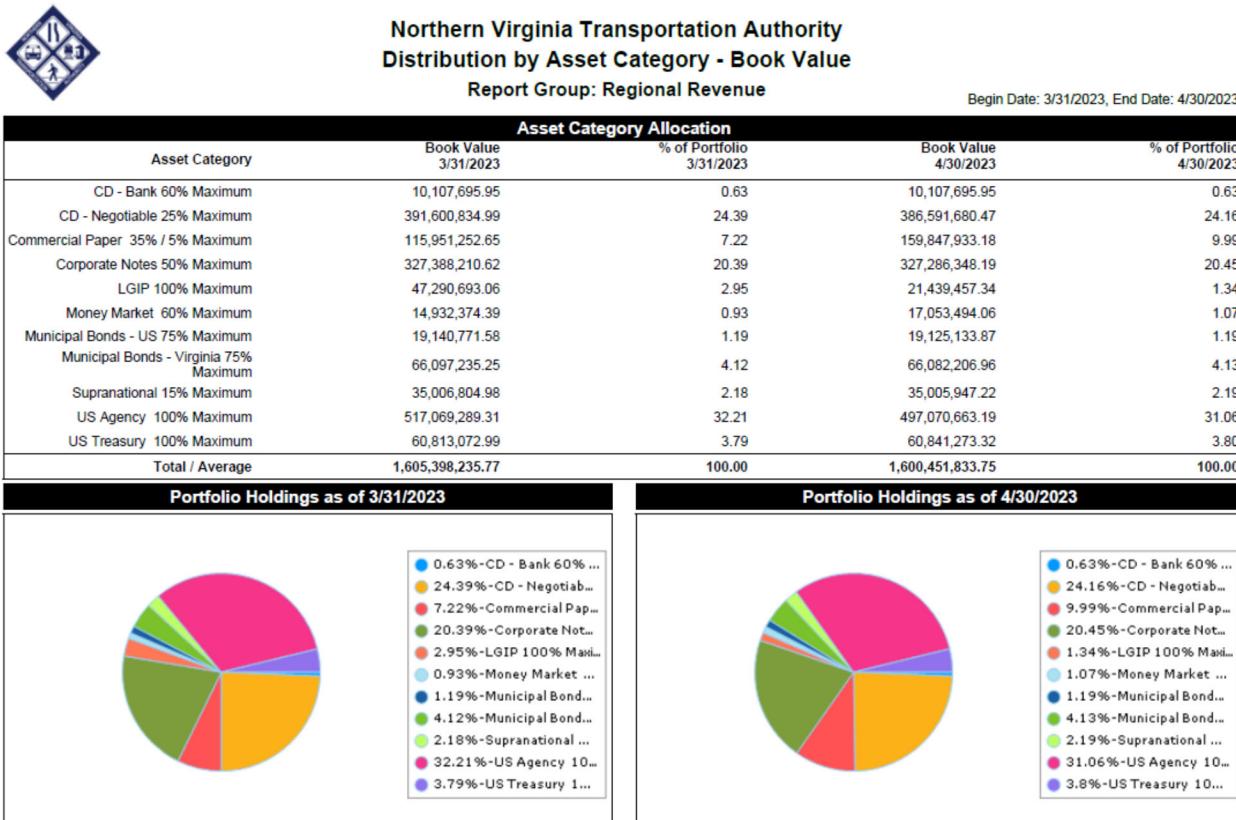
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SUBJECT: Investment Portfolio Report

- 1. Purpose:** To provide the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) with required reports on investment activities and portfolio performance through April 30, 2023.
- 2. Background:** This report is on investment activity through April 2023 and affirms the portfolio's investments were acquired based on safety, liquidity, and then yield. This report summarizes the portfolio structure and adherence to the NVTA Investment Policy.
- 3. Current Period Reports:**

- A. The safety of the portfolio is reflected in the actual composition of the portfolio as shown below.



- B. The liquidity of the portfolio is reflected in the portfolio's duration as 0.99 (1.0 = 1 year) and the maturity schedule is shown below.



**Northern Virginia Transportation Authority
Distribution by Maturity Range - Book Value
Report Group: Regional Revenue**

Begin Date: 3/31/2023, End Date: 4/30/2023

Maturity Range Allocation				
Maturity Range	Book Value 3/31/2023	% of Portfolio 3/31/2023	Book Value 4/30/2023	% of Portfolio 4/30/2023
0-1 Month	92,223,067.45	5.74	96,722,074.68	6.04
1-3 Months	148,992,045.12	9.28	153,932,129.35	9.62
3-6 Months	252,211,894.27	15.71	298,776,706.10	18.67
6-9 Months	200,272,444.74	12.47	187,930,415.26	11.74
9-12 Months	164,605,872.98	10.25	203,881,308.63	12.74
1-2 Years	504,171,430.43	31.40	448,887,542.46	28.05
2-3 Years	231,297,953.98	14.41	198,701,330.65	12.42
3-4 Years	1,623,526.80	0.10	1,620,326.62	0.10
4-5 Years	10,000,000.00	0.62	10,000,000.00	0.62
Total / Average	1,605,398,235.77	100.00	1,600,451,833.75	100.00

Portfolio Holdings				
4-5 Y	10,000	0.62	10,000	0.62

- C. The yield on the portfolio at the end of April 2023 was 2.70%. The NVTA's Investment Policy specifies the benchmarks shown below for yield performance comparison.

NVTA Investment Benchmarks	Apr-23 Month End
Fed Funds Rate	4.83%
Treasury 90 Day T Bill	5.10%
Local Government Investment Pool	5.06%
Virginia Non-Arbitrage Program	5.04%
NVTA Performance	2.70%

Source: Bloomberg/NVTA Statements

4. Portfolio Analysis & Statistics Overview:

A. Safety: The portfolio is invested primarily in:

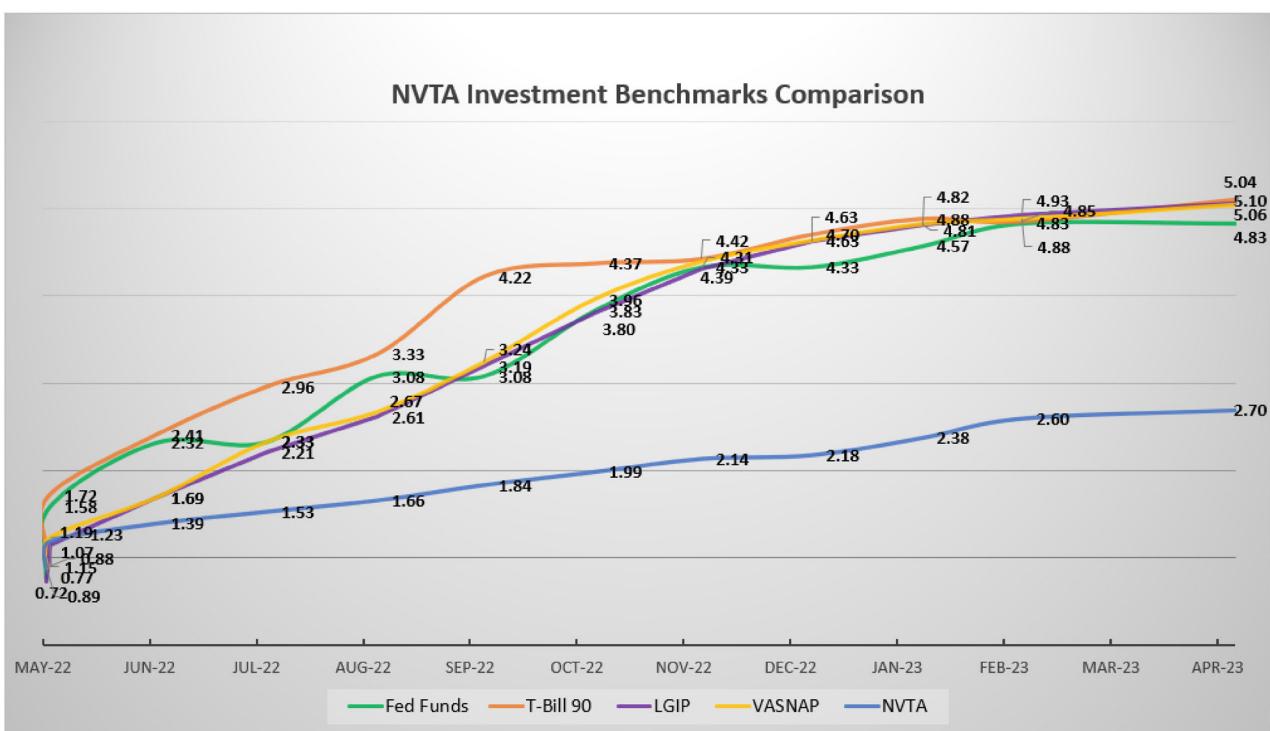
- Local Government Investment Pools (2.95% to 1.34%)
- Collateralized bank money market accounts (1.56% to 1.70%)
- Commercial Paper (7.22% to 9.99%)
- Negotiable CD's (24.39% to 24.16%)
- AAA/AA rated investment grade corporate bonds (20.39% to 20.45%)
- Supranational Securities (2.18% to 2.19%)

- Treasuries and Agencies (36.00% to 34.86%)
- VA & US Municipals (5.31% to 5.32%)

B. Liquidity: The NVTA Portfolio duration is 0.99 in April 2023 (1.0 = 1 year). Feds are leaning towards pausing a temporary interest rate increase at their meeting in June to get a better read of how much more tightening would be needed. NVTA staff continues to ladder maturities such that approximately \$40-\$60 million of securities mature each month. This results in monthly opportunities to re-invest at increasing rates of return while keeping safety in mind.

C. Yield: Economists are anticipating a rate skip at the Fed's meeting in June before embarking on an easing cycle in the fall.

- Staff's current strategy of re-investing maturities and monthly revenue is by keeping a two-three year maturity profile to lock the duration before the Fed begins lowering interest rates.
- After the recent banking turmoil, as a precautionary measure, Staff reached out to NVTA's community banks to ensure the stability of their deposit programs. As such, it is important to ensure that they have the necessary resources and support to weather any potential challenges. The Federal Reserve has noted that the U.S. banking system is sound and resilient.
- Staff is closely monitoring the developing situation of the U.S. Debt Ceiling and its market impact. Policymakers may also weigh the options for a short-term extension of the debt ceiling to avoid the country defaulting on its debts.
- NVTA holds two Credit Suisse Negotiables CDs that are set to mature in October 2023 and January 2024. With the news of UBS Financial Services acquiring Credit



Suisse, the credit rating for these short-term instruments is continuing to be on a positive watch.

D. Custodian Certification: Truist Bank is the custodian of all NVTA's investment purchases and is where all NVTA's non-deposit investments are held. Deposit type investments are protected through the Commonwealth of Virginia collateralization program or FDIC Insurance.

E. Policy Required Reports: The attached Compliance - GASB 40 Report addresses specific Investment Policy requirements regarding the purchase and holding of securities. This report is fundamental for the Authority's Annual Financial Statements and annual audit. The attached report documents:

- **Compliance – Investment Policy, Summary:** The report shows the percentage of the portfolio by each type of investment.
- **Investment Portfolio – By Maturity Range:** The report shows the yield to maturity and percentage of the portfolio which each type of investment represents.
- **Portfolio Holdings by Custodian:** This report shows each depository, investment firm, or custodian holding NVTA securities or cash.

Attachment: Compliance - GASB 40 Report

