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Subject: Agenda Item E (Information Item): The Climate Trust Financial Audit for 2022 for the January 26, 2024 EFSC Meeting

Attachments: Attachment 1: Report of Independent Auditors and Consolidated Financial Statements – The Climate Trust and Subsidiary – December 31, 2022 and 2021

To continue to be recognized as a “Qualified Organization” for the purpose of receiving funds to produce the reduction in greenhouse gas emission necessary to meet the carbon emission standard associated with energy facilities that emit carbon dioxide, The Climate Trust must comply with OAR 345-001-0010(50)(d)) (consistent with statute at ORS 469.503(2)(e)(N)(iv)):

“Has made available on an annual basis, beginning after the first year of operation, a signed opinion of an independent certified public accountant stating that the qualified organization’s use of funds pursuant to this statute conforms with generally accepted accounting procedures except that the qualified organization shall have one year to conform with generally accepted accounting principles in the event of a nonconforming audit”

Included on page one of the attached report is the following language from Moss Adams, a public accounting firm, dated July 31, 2023 which shows compliance with this requirement:

“In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of The Climate Trust and Subsidiary as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.”

As such, the Department considers the rule requirement to have been met.