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**TO:** Business Board

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**DATE:** September 6, 2022 for September 28, 2022

AGENDA ITEM: 6

### ITEM IDENTIFICATION:

Status Report on Debt to August 31, 2022

#### JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:

Pursuant to Section 5 (1.) (b.) of the Business Board Terms of Reference, the Business Board has responsibility for reviewing regular reports on matters affecting the finances of the University and on financial programs and transactions.

#### **GOVERNANCE PATH:**

1. Business Board [for information] (September 28, 2022)

#### PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

The borrowing strategy was initially approved by Governing Council in June 2004. A revision of this debt strategy was approved in November 2012.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS:**

This regular status report provides the Business Board with an update of the debt policy limit, debt allocated by Business Board and actual external and internal debt. It also provides the actual debt burden and viability ratios as compared to the ratios of the debt policy limit.

The total debt policy limit for 2022-23 is \$2.1 billion, reflecting the maximum debt that can be taken on based on a debt burden ratio of 5% at April 30, 2022, as defined by the Debt Strategy. The debt burden ratio equals interest plus principal divided by total expenditures.

Allocations include borrowing approved by Business Board along with a contingency for donations targets and pledges. To August 31, 2022, net allocations were \$1.7 billion, leaving \$404.5 million available for future allocation.

Actual debt outstanding is the sum of internal loans issued from internal funds plus actual external debt issuance. At August 31, 2022, actual debt outstanding was \$880.2 million. The debt burden ratio reflecting actual outstanding debt was 2.2%, of which 0.5% related to internal loans and 1.7% related to external debt issuance.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:	
None	
RECOMMENDATION:	
For information.	

#### **DOCUMENTATION PROVIDED:**

• Status Report on Debt to August 31, 2022

# University of Toronto Status Report on Debt to August 31, 2022

		External	Internal
Financial Ratios in accordance with Policy	Total	Component	Component
Debt burden ratios:			
Debt policy limit at April 30, 2022	5.0%		
Actual debt outstanding at August 31, 2022*	2.2%	1.7%	0.5%
Viability ratios:			
Debt policy limit at April 30, 2022	1.7		
Actual debt outstanding at August 31, 2022*	3.9	4.9	20.4

<sup>\*</sup>Calculated using the Total expenditures or Total expendable resources at April 30, 2022

	Total in	External	Internal
Debt Policy Limit April 30, 2022	Millions	Component	Component
Debt Policy Limit	2,096.7	1,134.0	962.7
	Total in	External	Internal
Allocations	Millions	Component	Component
Opening balance at May 31, 2022	1,666.4	837.3	829.1
Change of allocation on previously approved projects	25.8		25.8
Closing balance at August 31, 2022	1,692.2	837.3	854.9
Unallocated	404.5	296.7	107.8

	Total in	External	Internal
Actual Debt Outstanding	Millions	Component	Component
Opening balance at May 31, 2022			
Debentures due 2031 to 2051	710.0	710.0	
Internal debt	172.4		172.4
	882.4	710.0	172.4
Changes	(2.2)		(2.2)
Closing balance at August 31, 2022	880.2	710.0	170.2

## **Definitions:**

**Debt** includes all long-term external and internal borrowed funds obtained by any means (e.g. debentures, bank loans) and excludes letters and lines of credit and all short-term and medium term internal financing for purposes such as construction financing and fund deficits.

Debt burden ratio, key determinant of debt policy limit, equals interest plus principal divided by total expenditures.

**Debt policy limit** is the maximum debt that can be taken on based on a debt burden ratio of 5%.

**Viability ratio,** to be taken into consideration in setting debt policy limit, equals expendable resources divided by debt. The debt strategy has set a preference of a viability ratio of 0.8 or greater.

**Allocations** include borrowing approved by Business Board, plus contingency for donations targets and pledges.

Actual debt outstanding is the sum of internal loans issued from internal debt plus actual external debt issuance.