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Subparagraph 3.3.1.2.iii

No activity in the reporting period

 $Subparagraph\ 3.3.1.4$ 

Semi-Annual Reporting Package includes a 3-year projected annual budget for the Tribal Administration Cost Subaccount, as well as balance statements for all subaccounts as of December 31, 2022.

### The Volkswagen Diesel Emissions Environmental Mitigation Trust for Indian Tribe Beneficiaries

### Trustee Descriptive Report for Period July 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022

As required under subparagraphs 3.3.1.6 and 3.3.1.7

#### Establishment, Purpose, Funding, and Modification of the Indian Tribe Trust

As a result of the landmark settlement in the United States District Court, Northern District of California (the "Court"), Volkswagen AG ("VW") required VW to establish the **Environmental Mitigation Trust for Indian Tribe Beneficiaries** (the "Indian Tribe Trust") and to make deposits <sup>1</sup> in the amounts of \$2.7 billion and \$225 million to be used to fund environmental mitigation action (EMA) projects that reduce emissions of nitrogen oxides ("NOx") and to pay for Trust Administration Costs all in accordance with the terms of the Indian Tribe Trust. On March 15, 2017, the Court appointed Wilmington Trust, N.A. ("WTNA") as the Trustee for the Indian Tribe Trust (the "Trustee") and on October 2, 2017, the Indian Tribe Trust was established.

By the end of 2017, the Trustee had received approximately \$41.4 million was deposited into the Trust. The Trustee received from the Settling Defendants a deposit of approximately \$18 million at the end of 2018, which represented the Indian Tribe Trust's portion of the final \$900 million required under the 2.0L Partial Consent Decree, meaning that the Indian Tribe Trust was considered fully funded.

The Indian Tribe Trust was previously modified in accordance with Paragraph 6.5 on two occasions:

- 1. Effective November 30, 2018, there were material modifications to the trust's allocation formula in a manner that is consistent with the trust's purpose "to timely and efficiently fund Eligible Mitigation Actions to be proposed and administered by the Beneficiaries . . . ." (subparagraph 2.0.3), while ensuring an equitable distribution of funds to participating Beneficiaries.
- 2. Effective June 18, 2020<sup>2</sup>, there were a discreet number of modifications, including: a modification of Permitted Investments under Paragraph 3.2.1 to allow the investment of Trust Assets in the BlackRock Fed Fund (CUSIP 09248U809), other similar mutual funds, and U.S. Treasury bills, bonds, notes, and other government securities issued by agencies of the federal government; and an additional paragraph that allows electronic signatures and electronic retention of certain documents required under or related to the Indian Tribe Trust, as identified by the Trustee.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Appendix D-1B allocates 2.03% of the deposited funds to the Indian Tribe Trust and 97.97% of the deposited funds to State Trust.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A copy of the Indian Tribe Trust as modified on May 19, 2020 (and effective June 18, 2020) is posted on the Trust's website at https://www.vwenvironmentalmitigationtrust.com/tribe-trust-agreement.

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In January/February of 2022, the Trustee completed the final Beneficiary disbursements for the fourth (of four) funding cycle(s). WTNA published a Trustee's Accounting on February 28, 2022, as required under subparagraph 5.0.5.3.4.

Following the Trustee's Accounting, the United States Department of Justice held a discussion session (on May 24, 2022) with Indian Tribe Trust Beneficiaries, officials of the United States Environmental Protection Agency, and the Trustee to review the findings of the Trustee's Accounting and to consider alternatives. Varying recommendations and viewpoints were discussed, and the meeting wrapped up with a commitment to announce a fifth funding cycle, if viable, by May 31, 2022.

After further discussion, the United States and the Trustee agreed there were not sufficient funds in the Tribal Subaccounts Remainder Balance calculated in accordance with the Indian Tribe Trust Agreement to conduct a Fifth Funding Cycle. On June 1, 2022, the Trustee sent a notice to the 119 Designated Beneficiary Tribes indicating that a fifth funding cycle would not be held, adding that the United States and the Trustee will be holding further discussions to determine how funds remaining in the Indian Tribe Trust Subaccounts will be distributed, consistent with the purposes of the Trust.

In the reporting period, WTNA completed a number of actions permitted and required under the Trust Agreement and Consent Decrees, which included consultation with the United States and payment of Trust bills. A brief description of each of these actions is included below.

### 3.3.1.7 Actions taken in reporting period in accordance with Trust Agreement and Consent Decrees

#### Trustee Consultation with United States

In the reporting period, the Trustee continued discussions with the United States to determine the best course of action with remaining funds.

#### Payment of Trust Bills

In the period, the Indian Tribe Trust paid \$133,665.67 in Trust Administration Costs. The Indian Tribe Trust also paid approximately \$119,512.89 in costs to third-party professionals.

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# 3.3.1.6 Previously unreported action taken by Trust that materially adversely affects Trust

Nothing to report.

By:

Name: Russell L. Crane, MBA

Title: Vice President

Wilmington Trust, N.A., as Trustee

Date: March 20, 2023

# Volkswagen Diesel Emissions Environmental Trust for Indian Tribe Beneficiaries Trust Asset Statements and Investments Listing December 31, 2022

Portfolio(s)	Maturity Date	Rating	Amou	ınt
Tribal Allocation Subaccount				
Cash			\$	-
BlackRock Liquidity Fund				2,072
Marketable Securities at Costs				_
		_		
Marketable Securities at Costs Total				-
Accrued Interest Income		_		6
<b>Tribal Allocation Subaccount Total</b>			\$	2,078
Tribal Tech Advisor Subaccount				
Cash			\$	-
BlackRock Liquidity Fund				1,321
Marketable Securities at Costs				
		_		
Marketable Securities at Costs Total				-
Accrued Interest Income				4
Tribal Tech Advisor Subaccount Total			\$	1,325

# Volkswagen Diesel Emissions Environmental Trust for Indian Tribe Beneficiaries Trust Asset Statements and Investments Listing December 31, 2022

Portfolio(s)	Maturity Date	Rating	Amount
Tribal Administration Cost Subaccount			
Cash BlackRock Liquidity Fund Marketable Securities at Costs			\$ 2,540
Marketable Securities at Costs Total Accrued Interest Income			- 8
<b>Tribal Administration Cost Subaccount Total</b>			\$ 2,548
Tribal Tax Subaccount			
Cash			\$ 833
Tribal Tax Subaccount Total			\$ 833
Tribal Advisory Council Subaccount			
Cash BlackRock Liquidity Fund Marketable Securities at Costs			\$ 31
Marketable Securities at Costs Total Accrued Interest Income			- -
Tribal Advisory Council Subaccount Total			\$ 31
Indian Tribe Trust Total			
Cash BlackRock Liquidity Fund Marketable Securities at Costs Accrued Interest Income			\$ 833 5,964 - 18
Indian Tribe Trust Total			\$ 6,815

#### Volkswagen Diesel Emissions Environmental Trust for Indian Tribe Beneficiaries Tribe Trust Payments and Administration Costs Line Item October 2, 2017 through December 31, 2022

Subaccount	Cumu	lative Paid
Tribal Allocation		
Trust Administrator Costs	\$	70
Tribal Allocation Total	\$	70
Tribal Tech Advisor		
Trust Administrator Costs Tribal Tech Advisor Costs	\$	4 1,473
Tribal Allocation Total	\$	1,477
Tribal Administration Cost		
Trust Administrator Costs Trust Counsel Insurance Audit Accounting Tax Return Consultant Website Support Tax Counsel Intralink Contingency Expenses	\$	122 1,113 306 213 163 109 197 10 217 8 28
Tribal Administration Cost Total	\$	2,487
Tribal Tax		
Estimated State Taxes Paid	\$	35
Tribal Tax Total	\$	35
Indian Tribe Trust Total	\$	4,069

# Volkswagen Diesel Emissions Environmental Trust for Indian Tribe Beneficiaries Payments to Recipients December 31, 2022 (Dollars in thousands)

Receipient	2022		2021	2020	2019	Cumulative
Akiachak Native Community	\$	142	s -	\$ -	s -	\$ 142
Beaver Village		-	-	-	68	68
Bishop Paiute Tribe		-	-	-	77	77
Blue Lake Rancheria Campo Band of Diegueno Mission Indians of the Campo Indian Reservation, California		127 133	-	146	275	548 133
Central Council Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska		-			158	158
Chefornak Traditional Council		_	_	-	170	170
Cherokee Nation		-	3,566	2,097	2,600	8,263
Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe		293	-	339	567	1,199
Chickaloon Native Village		-	189	218	228	635
Citizen Potawatomi Nation, Oklahoma		-	480	557	555	1,592
Colorado River Indian Tribes of the Colorado River Indian Reservation, Arizona and California			201	231	-	432
Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Reservation		-	349	400	_	749
Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation		337	549	390	645	1,372
Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation		-	-	298	304	602
Confederated Tribes of the Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians		-	22	26	101	149
Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon		-	225	253	-	478
Coquille Indian Tribe		-	-	-	118	118
Craig Tribal Association		138	-	159	-	297
Elk Valley Rancheria		-	-	-	28	28
Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe		-	-	164	-	164
Forest County Potawatomi Community, Wisconsin		-	140	161	173	474
Fort Independence Indian Community		128	150	-	117	245 150
Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation, Arizona Galena Village (Louden)		-	130	155	167	322
Gila River Indian Community of the Gila River Indian Reservation, Arizona		-	422	489	794	1,705
Gulkana Village Council		_	-	161		161
Holy Cross Village		-	131	-	-	131
Hoopa Valley Tribe, California		-	196	226	390	812
Hopi Tribe of Arizona		-	308	-	-	308
Huslia Village		-	133	-	-	133
Igiugig Village		-	127	-	-	127
Koyukuk Village Council		-	-	-	149	149
La Jolla Band of Luiseno Indians, California		-	137	100	- 224	137
Lower Brule Sioux Tribe of the Lower Brule Reservation, South Dakota		-	163	188 146	334	685 146
Manley Hot Springs Village Mashantucket Pequot Indian Tribe		-	132	152	284	568
Metlakatla Indian Community, Annette Island Reserve		160	132	132	204	160
Minnesota Chippewa Tribe: Bois Forte Band		-	172	299	_	471
Minnesota Chippewa Tribe: Fond du Lac Band		-	172	298	960	1,430
Minnesota Chippewa Tribe: Mille Lacs Band		-	172	-	-	172
Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut		-	-	-	275	275
Muscogee (Creek) Nation		-	-	1,693	2,079	3,772
Native Village of Brevig Mission		-	-	-	169	169
Native Village of Deering		129	-	-	-	129
Native Village of Diomede		-	-	148	-	148
Native Village of Elim Native Village of Kobuk		-	-	154 149	-	154 149
Native Village of Koyuk		-		149	167	167
Native Village of Minto		_	131		-	131
Native Village of Port Heiden		-	-	_	160	160
Native Village of Savoonga		-	-	164	177	341
Native Village of Stevens		-	-	-	76	76
Native Village of White Mountain		-	-	-	162	162
Nez Perce Tribe		-	197	227	237	661
Nulato Village		-	133	-		133
Oglala Sioux Tribe		571	240	662	1,056	2,289
Oneida Nation Paiute-Shoshone Tribe of the Fallon Reservation and Colony, Nevada		-	249 142	-	-	249 142
Pala Band of Mission Indians		145	142	167		312
Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation		-	148	-		148
Pueblo of Cochiti, New Mexico		_	320		_	320
Pueblo of Isleta, New Mexico		-	210	242	420	872
Pueblo of Laguna, New Mexico		-	209	-	-	209
Pueblo of Sandia, New Mexico		-	144	-	-	144
Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe		113	-	184	-	297
Quinault Indian Nation		-	-	179	-	179
Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin		-	152	175	187	514
Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians, Minnesota		-	279	322	329	930
Rincon Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Rincon Reservation, California		-	140	161	-	301
Saint George Island Saint Paul Island		-	129	-	-	129 137
Saint Faui Island Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe			137 208	241	249	698
Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community of the Salt River Reservation, Arizona		_	250	288	489	1,027
San Pasqual Band of Diegueno Mission Indians of California		_	143	-		143
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, Michigan		-	159	179	194	532
Shageluk Native Village		-	128	-	-	128
Shoshone-Bannock Tribes		226	-	260	448	934
Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate of the Lake Traverse Reservation, South Dakota		242	-	-	-	242
Swinomish Indian Tribal Community		-	145	167	179	491
The Chickasaw Nation		-	788	-	748	1,536
The Quapaw Tribe of Indians There Affiliated Tribes (MIA)		-	161	185	334	680
Three Affiliated Tribes (MHA)  Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Parthold Pacariation, North Dakota		251	-	291	494	785 251
Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, North Dakota Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians of the Tuolumne Rancheria of California		130	-	-	-	130
Upper Sioux Community		- 130	-	149	162	311
Ute Mountain Ute Tribe		_	-	384	- 102	384
Venetie Village		-	-	-	151	151
Village of Iliamna		-	-	147	-	147
White Mountain Apache Tribe of the Fort Apache Reservation, Arizona		-	469	543	876	1,888
Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation, California		-	127	146	159	432
			1.45	126	170	460
Yurok Tribe of the Yurok Reservation, California		-	145	136	179	400

### Volkswagen Diesel Emissions Environmental Trust for Indian Tribe Beneficiaries Trust Asset Allocation and Allocation Adjustment December 31, 2022

				Funding			 ansfer from Tribal Allocation and
	Octo	ber 31, 2017	Nov	vember 30, 2017	No	vember 30, 2018	 inistration Costs
Tribal Allocation	\$	20,333	\$	15,723	\$	15,723	\$ (759)
Tribal Tech Advisor		1,070		828		828	(25)
Tribal Administration Cost		1,874		1,509		1,509	(47)
Tribal Advisory Council		30		-		-	-
	\$	23,307	\$	18,060	\$	18,060	\$ (831)
Tribal Tax Subaccount		-		-		-	831
Total	\$	23,307	\$	18,060	\$	18,060	\$ -

#### Volkswagen Diesel Emissions Environmental Trust for Indian Tribe Beneficiaries Administrastion Costs Three Year Projected Budget

	2023	2024	2025	Total 3-year projected budget
Governance Costs				
Trust Administrator (Wilmington Trust) *	\$23	\$23	\$23	\$69
Subtotal for Governance Costs	\$23	\$23	\$23	\$69
Trust Professionals				
Trust Counsel	\$306	\$150	\$50	\$506
Trust Accountants	35	35	35	105
Tax Return Preparation	15	15	15	45
Trust Auditors	50	51	50	151
Insurance ***	-	55	-	55
Consultants	-	-	-	-
Website support **	0	0	0	1
Intralinks **	2	2	-	4
Tax Counsel	10	10	10	\$30
Subtotal for Trust Professionals	\$418	\$318	\$160	\$897
Other Expenses				
Contingency	\$25	\$25	\$0	\$50
Subtotal for Other Expenses	\$25	\$25	\$0	\$50
Total Reporting Costs	\$466	\$366	\$183	\$1,016

st includes quarterly Trustee Administration Fees, annual QSF Administration Fee, and estimated Trustee out-of-pocket expenses

<sup>\*\*</sup> represents 2% of shared cost with State Trust (see subparagraph 2.1.3.2 of Indian Tribe Trust)