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Additional information about Charlesbank also is available on the SEC’s website at www.adviserinfo.sec.gov. Registration with the SEC as an investment adviser does not imply a certain level of skill or training.

Item 2 – Material Changes

Since Charlesbank's last filing in March 2021, there have been no material changes to report in the Brochure.

Charlesbank routinely makes changes throughout its Brochure in an effort to improve and clarify the descriptions of its business practices and compliance policies and procedures or in response to evolving industry and firm practices. Charlesbank believes that these changes are not material changes and does not describe them all in this Item 2.

Upon request, Charlesbank will provide you with comparison of this Brochure against the one previously filed indicating these changes.

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Item 4 – Advisory Business

Charlesbank is a middle-market private equity investment management firm that focuses on management-led buyouts and growth capital financings, and also engages in opportunistic credit and technology investments. Formed in 1998, Charlesbank provides investment advisory and management services to pooled investment vehicles within a private equity strategy (the “Flagship Equity Funds”), within a technology opportunities strategy (the “Technology Funds”, and together with the Flagship Equity Funds, the “Equity Funds”) and within a credit strategy (the “Credit Funds,” and together with the Flagship Equity Funds and Technology Funds, the “Charlesbank Funds”). The Charlesbank Funds are exempt from registration under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “1940 Act”), and issue partnership interests that are not registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”). Charlesbank also serves as the general partner to, or controls the general partner of, pooled investment vehicles for Charlesbank’s investment and operational staff (the “Fund X GP Funds”) and pooled investment vehicles for Charlesbank’s junior investment staff (the “Associates Funds,” and together with the Fund X GP Funds and Charlesbank Funds, the “Funds”), in each case formed to facilitate investment by Charlesbank staff in investments alongside certain of the Equity Funds on a non-discretionary and programmatic, fixed basis.

As investment adviser to the Charlesbank Funds, Charlesbank participates in the structuring, management, monitoring and disposition of investments for each Charlesbank Fund. Focused primarily, but not exclusively, in the United States, Charlesbank generally seeks investment opportunities in the middle market, with enterprise values averaging between \$150 million and \$3.0 billion for its Flagship Equity Funds; averaging between \$50 million and \$300 million for its Technology Funds; and averaging between \$150 million and \$1.5 billion for its Credit Funds. Charlesbank’s strategy emphasizes investing across a broad range of industries, transaction types, and levels of the capital structure, provided that the Flagship Equity Funds and the Technology Funds primarily invest in equity and the Credit Funds primarily invest in debt.

Guidelines for investment are contained in each Fund’s governing documents, which are provided to the limited partners of each such fund. Prior to making an investment in a Fund, the limited partners review the governing documents for such Fund, and in the case of the Charlesbank Funds, are permitted to negotiate the terms of such governing documents. Limited partners do not have any control over the operation or management of the Funds or discretion over when capital is drawn or which and how investments are made.

Pursuant to an investment and advisory agreement with each Charlesbank Fund and each Fund X GP Fund, Charlesbank provides discretionary investment advisory services and has authority to decide which investments to purchase and sell for the Charlesbank Funds. While Charlesbank does not manage the Associates Funds or make investment decisions on their behalf, it does ensure that the Associates Funds participate in and exit investments alongside the associated Equity Funds on the programmatic, fixed bases to which they are subject and on substantially the same investment terms and conditions as the Equity Funds.

As of December 31, 2021, Charlesbank managed approximately \$13.16 billion of assets, comprised of \$8.87 billion in fair value of assets and \$4.29 billion in available uncalled commitments, all of which is managed on a discretionary basis.

Item 5 – Fees and Compensation

Management Fee

Pursuant to its written investment and advisory agreement with each Charlesbank Fund, Charlesbank is entitled to an annual management fee, payable quarterly. The precise amount of, the timing and the manner and calculation of, and the annual management fee for each Charlesbank Fund are established by Charlesbank and agreed upon by investors in the applicable Charlesbank Fund before they make their investment in such Charlesbank Fund, and are set forth in such Charlesbank Fund’s governing documents received by each investor prior to investment in such Charlesbank Fund. Charlesbank directly invoices the limited partners of each such Charlesbank Fund for their portion of the management fee. In the event an investment and advisory agreement is terminated, any fees paid in advance, and not yet earned, will be handled in a fair and equitable manner.

The Charlesbank Funds include funds organized to allow certain friends of Charlesbank, primarily senior management of current and former Equity Fund portfolio companies, to invest alongside the related Equity Funds on substantially the same terms and conditions (each, an “Executive Fund”). In accordance with the terms of the limited partnership agreement for each Equity Fund, Charlesbank has the right to waive or reduce the management fee with respect to certain investors in the Executive Funds relating to such Equity Funds. The Fund X GP Funds and Associates Funds do not pay a management fee.

To the extent provided in the investment and advisory agreements and the limited partnership agreements for the Charlesbank Funds, Charlesbank will pay out of its management fees the following operating expenses related to the services provided to the Charlesbank Funds: (a) ordinary office overhead, including rent, furniture, fixtures and office equipment; (b) other ordinary and usual overhead and administrative expenses incurred in connection with maintaining and operating Charlesbank’s offices; (c) compensation of Charlesbank employees; and (d) compliance and regulatory costs to the extent not directly incurred as a consequence of forming, operating and managing the Charlesbank Funds (collectively, “Operating Expenses”); provided, that for certain Funds, Operating Expenses excludes the portion of any Portfolio Support Services Compensation (as defined below) (including salary, bonus and employee benefits) attributable to services provided to such Funds and/or the portfolio companies of such Funds.

Consistent with, and subject to the terms of, its limited partnership agreement, and, if applicable, any negotiated side letters with investors, each Charlesbank Fund bears its portion of all other fees, costs, expenses, liabilities and obligations relating to the business, activities, investments and operations of such Charlesbank Fund, to the extent not borne by its portfolio companies, including without limitation: (i) the organizational expenses of such Charlesbank Fund (up to a certain cap) (“Organizational Expenses”); (ii) legal, accounting, administration, custodian, depositary, auditing, investment banking, insurance, business travel, meals and entertainment expenses, litigation and indemnification costs and expenses, judgments and settlements, consulting (which, for the avoidance of doubt, includes consulting or similar services provided by Portfolio Support Services members (as defined below) to the extent not paid by a portfolio company), brokerage, financing, finder’s, appraisal, research, due diligence, third party valuation, filing, printing, title, transfer, registration and other fees, commissions and expenses (including fees, costs and expenses associated with the preparation or distribution of the Charlesbank Fund’s financial statements, tax returns, tax estimates and Schedules K-1); (iii) all fees, costs, expenses, liabilities and obligations attributable to finding, structuring, organizing, acquiring, financing, refinancing, managing, operating, holding, taking public or private, valuing, winding-up, liquidating, dissolving and disposing of the Charlesbank Fund’s investments; (iv) costs and expenses of the Charlesbank Fund’s advisory board; (v) all fees, costs, expenses, liabilities and obligations incurred by the Charlesbank Fund or Charlesbank

relating to investment and disposition opportunities for the Charlesbank Fund not consummated, including investment expenses and costs that would have been allocable to co-investors (including under the Overage Program, as defined in Item 11 below) had such proposed investment been consummated, if the amount allocable to such co-investors is not paid by such parties; (vi) any taxes, fees and other governmental charges levied against the Charlesbank Fund; (vii) generally, all fees, costs and expenses incurred in connection with the organization, management, operation and termination, dissolution, liquidation and final winding-up of any legal structures used to facilitate investments by the Charlesbank Fund; (viii) all fees, costs, expenses, principal, interest, liabilities and other obligations incurred by the Charlesbank Fund or Charlesbank relating to the establishment of and borrowings under any credit facility; (ix) research expenses related to particular portfolio investments or proposed portfolio investments (e.g., third party reports, periodicals and publications and subscription-based services) and information technology expenses (including fees and expenses of technology service providers) related to acquiring, developing, implementing or maintaining related software; (x) costs and expenses incurred in connection with developing, licensing, implementing, maintaining or upgrading any web portal, extranet tools, computer software or other administrative or reporting tools (including subscription-based services) for the benefit of the Funds or their limited partners; (xi) all fees, costs and expenses incurred in complying with, administering or amending side letters (but excluding the process of distributing and implementing applicable elections pursuant to any “most favored nations” provisions, which shall be an Organizational Expense), (xii) fees, costs and expenses related to complying with anti-money laundering, know-your-customer and similar laws, rules and regulations, including, without limitation, (A) fees, costs and expenses incurred in connection with vetting potential transferees in connection with any transfer of interests in the Charlesbank Fund, (B) fees, costs and expenses incurred in connection with monitoring the Charlesbank Fund’s, its portfolio companies’ or Charlesbank’s ongoing compliance with such laws, rules and regulations, and (C) the external costs of any third party engaged to perform anti-money laundering and know-your-customer compliance and administration (in each case excluding, for the avoidance of doubt, any fees, costs and expenses related to complying with anti-money laundering know-your-customer and similar laws, rules and regulations in connection with the organization of the Charlesbank Fund and that are Organizational Expenses; and (xii) all other expenses not specifically provided for above that are incurred by Charlesbank or its affiliates in connection with the Charlesbank Fund’s accounts or operations or performing Charlesbank’s duties, other than those specifically borne by Charlesbank as Operating Expenses. The portion of such expenses borne by each Fund is generally pro rata based on relative commitments to, or capital invested by, the related Funds. However, certain expenses not relating to the Associates Funds, such as certain expenses relating to the Charlesbank Funds’ and Fund X GP Funds’ capital call credit facilities and certain non-investment-related legal costs relating solely to the Charlesbank Funds, are borne by each applicable Charlesbank Fund or Fund X GP Fund pro rata based on relative commitments and are not borne by the Associates Funds. Further, for bank and custodian fees related to accounts for a specific Fund, and annual tax filing fees and entity-level tax expenses for a specific Fund, such Fund bears all such expenses. Charlesbank has in the past paid, and expects in the future to pay, all or a portion of any expenses borne by the Associates Funds and Fund X GP Funds.

Charlesbank or its affiliates generally employ or engage persons primarily to provide investment theme development and origination, acquisition integration and onboarding, technology, talent acquisition and management, business strategy, salesforce effectiveness, pricing, marketing, sourcing, supply chain, inventory management, logistics, operational and business consulting and/or other services to the Charlesbank Funds, or any of their current or prospective portfolio companies (such persons, collectively, “Portfolio Support Services”). Members of Portfolio Support Services comprise advisory directors, operating partners or other persons who provide consulting services for specific activities that arise in his or her areas of expertise and are identified by Charlesbank from time to time as being members of its “Portfolio Support Services” or “Portfolio Resources Group”. Charlesbank will determine the manner in

which Portfolio Support Services members are engaged or employed (which typically consists of a temporary or longer-term secondment to one or more portfolio companies) and the nature, form and amount of compensation for any Portfolio Support Services member, which compensation may include salary, bonus, securities, stock options, transaction fees in connection with the investment in or sale of a portfolio company, profits interests or other equity interests at a portfolio company or any entity through which a Charlesbank Fund invests in a portfolio company, one-time or periodic fees (including fees based on an hourly/daily/weekly/monthly or project-based rate, retainer fees, success-based fees or board fees), reimbursements of travel and other costs, employee benefits or other similar forms of compensation, whether paid in cash or in kind (collectively, “Portfolio Support Services Compensation”). While Charlesbank intends to seek to charge Portfolio Support Services Compensation to portfolio companies as appropriate, if consistent with, and subject to the terms of, a Charlesbank Fund’s limited partnership agreement, and, if applicable, any negotiated side letters with investors, Portfolio Support Services Compensation typically will be charged to, and paid or reimbursed by, (a) such Charlesbank Fund or (b) one or more such portfolio companies (or prospective portfolio company or portfolio companies) to which the applicable Portfolio Support Services member’s services relate. For the avoidance of doubt, to the extent that Portfolio Support Services Compensation is not borne by one or more Portfolio Companies, if consistent with, and subject to the terms of, a Charlesbank Fund’s limited partnership agreement, and, if applicable, any negotiated side letters with investors, Portfolio Support Services Compensation will be allocated among such Charlesbank Funds that benefit from such Portfolio Support Services in a manner that Charlesbank determines reasonably and in good faith to be fair and equitable. In addition, Portfolio Support Services members can invest directly or indirectly in one or more portfolio companies and participate in a portion of the carried interest distributions received by the general partners of the Charlesbank Funds.

Further, certain Charlesbank Funds and the Fund X GP Funds (the “Borrowing Funds”) obtain credit facilities in order (i) to facilitate investments by the Borrowing Funds, (ii) to fund expenses or other obligations of the Borrowing Funds or (iii) to otherwise carry out the business of the Borrowing Funds. The interest expense and other fees, costs and expenses of or related to any borrowings under such credit facilities will be expenses of the applicable Borrowing Funds and, accordingly, will decrease net returns of such Borrowing Funds. Additional details regarding the credit facilities are contained in the governing documents of the Borrowing Funds.

Other Fees

Charlesbank receives other fees, such as, in some cases, portfolio company monitoring fees and transaction fees, and in some cases cash compensation for service by Charlesbank employees as directors of Charlesbank portfolio companies. In accordance with the calculation set forth in the governing documents for each of the Charlesbank Funds received by each investor prior to investment in such Charlesbank Fund, the management fee payable by limited partners to Charlesbank is offset by certain of such other fees, in some cases net of certain unreimbursed expenses, such as travel in the case of some Charlesbank Funds. In addition, 100% of the economic value of any director compensation paid in the form of equity and received by a Charlesbank employee (other than a member of Portfolio Support Services) for service on a Fund portfolio company board of directors is assigned to the Funds invested in that portfolio company, pro rata based on their capital invested in such portfolio company.

As noted above, each Charlesbank Fund bears its portion of all consulting fees and expenses relating to the investing business and activities of such Charlesbank Fund, to the extent not borne by its portfolio companies, including as relates to members of Portfolio Support Services. Charlesbank has in the past established, and expects to establish in the future, consulting arrangements both in connection with sourcing, structuring, organizing, and acquiring the Charlesbank Fund’s investments, as well as in

connection with operating and holding the Charlesbank Fund's investments. As part of the first type of these arrangements, from time to time Charlesbank Funds retain companies or individuals, including members of Portfolio Support Services (who typically include persons employed or engaged by Charlesbank or its affiliates) and other third-party advisors such as specialized consultants or external executives, to assist the Charlesbank Funds with investment origination, investment structuring and due diligence investigation of the Charlesbank Fund's investments. As part of the second type of these arrangements, from time to time Charlesbank Funds retain, or assist a portfolio company with retaining, other companies or individuals, including members of Portfolio Support Services (who typically include persons employed or engaged by Charlesbank or its affiliates) and other third-party advisors such as specialized consultants or external executives, to provide strategic advice or operational support and similar or related services. These services include various levels of support to a portfolio company regarding, among other items, the company's management, the company's operations, revenue and margin enhancement (including determining sales and marketing strategy), finance (including metrics and reporting), human capital (including executive recruitment), information technology, customer service, sustainability, real estate matters, insurance and similar operational matters. In some cases, members of Portfolio Support Services and consultants also serve on the board of directors of portfolio companies, and/or directly receive stock options or other equity issued by portfolio companies, as well as receive expense reimbursement from Charlesbank Funds or their portfolio companies. In some cases, members of Portfolio Support Services and consultants (or their estate planning vehicles) are investors in Funds. In some cases, members of Portfolio Support Services and consultants are former executives of portfolio companies of Charlesbank Funds, or will become executives or directors of portfolio companies of Charlesbank Funds.

Item 6 – Performance-Based Fees and Side-By-Side Management

In accordance with the terms of the limited partnership agreements for the Charlesbank Funds, a percentage of the net investment profit from each Charlesbank Fund is allocated to the capital account of its respective general partner. Each general partner is an affiliate of Charlesbank.

In accordance with the terms of the limited partnership agreement for each Equity Fund, Charlesbank has the right to waive all or a portion of the performance-based fee with respect to certain investors in the related Executive Fund.

Neither the Associates Funds nor the Fund X GP Funds pay a performance-based fee.

Charlesbank seeks to mitigate potential conflicts among the Flagship Equity Funds by (i) charging investors in each Flagship Equity Fund (except for the Executive Funds, for which the performance-based fee may be waived in whole or in part with respect to certain investors, and the Associates Funds and the Fund X GP Funds, which do not pay a performance-based fee) the same performance-based fee percentage, (ii) allocating investments among the Flagship Equity Funds within a fund family on a pro rata basis, in accordance with the terms of the Flagship Equity Funds' governing agreements, and otherwise in accordance with Charlesbank's investment allocation policy (the "Allocation Policy"), and (iii) making investments among affiliated Flagship Equity Funds on substantially the same terms and conditions.

Charlesbank seeks to mitigate potential conflicts among the Technology Funds by (i) charging investors in each Technology Fund (except for the Executive Funds, for which the performance-based fee may be waived in whole or in part with respect to certain investors, and the Associates Funds, which do not pay a performance-based fee) the same performance-based fee percentage, (ii) allocating investments among

the Technology Funds within a fund family on a pro rata basis, in accordance with the terms of the Technology Funds' governing agreements, and otherwise in accordance with Charlesbank's Allocation Policy, and (iii) making investments among affiliated Technology Funds on substantially the same terms and conditions.

Charlesbank seeks to mitigate potential conflicts among the Credit Funds by (i) charging investors in each Credit Fund the same performance-based fee percentage, (ii) allocating investments among the Credit Funds within a fund family on a pro rata basis, in accordance with the terms of the Credit Funds' governing agreements, and otherwise in accordance with Charlesbank's Allocation Policy, and (iii) making investments among affiliated Credit Funds on substantially the same terms and conditions.

See Item 11 below for further discussion of Charlesbank's Allocation Policy.

Item 7 – Types of Clients

Charlesbank provides investment advisory services to pooled investment vehicles exempt from registration under the 1940 Act, which are organized either as limited partnerships for which an affiliate of Charlesbank serves as general partner, or as the Associates Funds for which Charlesbank or an entity that Charlesbank controls serves as the general partner. Investment advice is not given to the limited partners of the Funds.

Investors in the Charlesbank Funds typically include endowments and foundations, corporate and public pension funds, private funds, financial institutions and family offices.

The minimum investment amount for the Flagship Equity Funds is generally \$5 million, although commitments of lesser amounts can be accepted at the sole discretion of the respective general partner, including at the Executive Funds. The minimum investment amount for the Technology Funds is generally \$5 million, although commitments of lesser amounts can be accepted at the sole discretion of the General Partner. The minimum investment amount for the Credit Funds is generally \$1 million, although commitments of lesser amounts can be accepted at the sole discretion of the respective general partner.

Investors in Charlesbank Funds are required to meet certain suitability qualifications, such as being an "accredited investor" within the meaning set forth in Rule 501(a) of Regulation D under the Securities Act. Also, investors will be required to make certain representations when investing in a Charlesbank Fund, including, but not limited to, representations that (i) they are acquiring an interest for their own account, (ii) they received or had access to all information they deem relevant to evaluate the merits and risks of the prospective investment and (iii) they have the ability to bear the economic risk of an investment in the Charlesbank Fund. Details concerning applicable investor suitability criteria are set forth in the respective Charlesbank Fund's confidential private placement memorandum and subscription materials, if and as applicable, which are furnished to each prospective investor prior to such investor's determination to invest.

The Charlesbank Funds have in the past entered into, and expect to enter into in the future, letter agreements or other similar arrangements (collectively, "Side Letters") with investors in the Charlesbank Funds that have the effect of establishing rights under, or altering or supplementing the terms of the governing documents of a Charlesbank Fund as they apply to a particular investor in that Charlesbank Fund. As a result of such Side Letters, certain investors can receive additional benefits that other investors will not receive.

Item 8 – Methods of Analysis, Investment Strategies and Risk of Loss

Methods of Analysis and Investment Strategy

In its investment management of the Flagship Equity Funds, Charlesbank focuses its investment strategy primarily on management-led buyouts and growth capital financings for private companies in the middle market with enterprise values averaging between \$150 million and \$3.0 billion. For such investments, Charlesbank generally leads or co-leads majority control or highly structured minority private equity investments primarily in companies located in the United States. Charlesbank also participates in opportunistic credit investments with the Flagship Equity Funds. In its investment management of the Technology Funds, Charlesbank focuses its investment strategy primarily on providing capital for lower middle market technology companies with enterprise values of between \$50 million and \$300 million. In its investment management of the Credit Funds, Charlesbank focuses its investment strategy primarily on providing debt capital for private companies in the middle market with enterprise values averaging between \$150 million and \$1.5 billion, generally investing in loans and bonds that are trading at discounts issued by companies where Charlesbank believes it has unique knowledge and insight.

In each case, Charlesbank employs a disciplined approach to due diligence that typically involves extensive quantitative and qualitative analysis performed by an internal team of four or five investment professionals, including at least two Managing Directors, augmented by external resources as necessary. The investment and due diligence process generally includes the following:

Investment Themes

One of Charlesbank's primary investment approaches is to develop a detailed investment theme and then identify a specific investment opportunity to capitalize on it. The ongoing idea-generation process is informed by many sources, including the team's collective investment experience, its interaction with portfolio companies, frequent dialogue with Charlesbank's operating executive and consultant networks, and general observations about specific capital-market conditions where Charlesbank believes that valuations are inconsistent with underlying business trends or otherwise represent intrinsic value.

Proven Operating Management

In its private equity investing, Charlesbank seeks companies that have proven operating management either in place or joining the company alongside Charlesbank's investment, with the skills, experience and vision to realize their growth and profitability objectives. Charlesbank considers it essential to establish appropriate incentives for portfolio company managers through co-investment and significant performance-based equity-incentive programs. Where appropriate, Charlesbank also augments a company's management team, from time to time, sourcing individuals from its networks of industry experts and prior portfolio company managers.

Strong Market Position

Charlesbank seeks to invest in what it believes to be high-quality businesses that have a strong market position, a promising business strategy and a demonstrated sustainable competitive advantage. Charlesbank typically invests in companies with attractive free cash-flow characteristics and the capacity to sustain appropriate financial leverage under a realistic set of operating forecasts.

Potential for Profit Improvement

In its private equity investing, Charlesbank targets prospective investments that offer potential for profit improvement through revenue growth, cost reduction or both. Revenue growth may be generated by add-on acquisitions or organically, a successful strategic repositioning or a competitive advantage based on superior products, services, execution or delivery. Charlesbank also seeks to work with management to eliminate unproductive costs and improve asset utilization.

Flexible and Creative Capital Structures

Charlesbank employs a flexible approach to structuring investments, investing at various levels of the capital structure, including common and preferred stock, bridge equity and equity-linked mezzanine debt, for different expected durations. In doing so, Charlesbank seeks to establish a capital structure suited to each portfolio company's operating plans, projected cash flows and growth objectives.

Active Involvement Post-Investment

In its private equity investing, Charlesbank maintains regular communication with management teams both informally and through strategic planning sessions, periodic reviews of performance and active participation on the board of directors. Charlesbank also works with management to create a board of directors that includes individuals whose relevant industry expertise provides important perspective.

In its credit investing, Charlesbank maintains regular conversations with the management teams and/or sponsor of the company in which the Funds are invested and, where relevant, will be involved on the board of the company.

Exit Plan

Charlesbank identifies potential options for exit as part of each due diligence process and enters each investment with at least one articulated exit strategy. The timing and execution of realizing an investment takes into consideration portfolio company performance, prevailing public and private market conditions and the potential availability of a strategic or financial acquirer.

Analysis of Legal, Regulatory, Accounting and Tax Issues

Charlesbank utilizes a wide range of external resources, including accounting, legal, regulatory, insurance and benefits, information technology, and market research and analysis to augment its internal team. When the situation warrants, Charlesbank also uses industry experts and other third-party consulting resources.

Additional information regarding the methods of analysis and investment strategy for a Charlesbank Fund is included in its private placement memorandum, limited partnership agreement and/or its subscription agreement and disclosure summary provided to investors prior to their making their investments in the Charlesbank Fund.

Material Risks

Investing in securities and other financial instruments involves a significant degree of risk. Funds may lose all or a substantial portion of the capital they invest and investors should be prepared to bear the risk of loss of their investment.

In addition, material risks exist relating to investment strategy, types of investments made and general market conditions, including those described below. Additional information regarding the material risks of a Charlesbank Fund is included in its private placement memorandum and/or its subscription agreement and disclosure summary provided to investors prior to their making their investments in the Charlesbank Fund.

General Economic and Market Conditions

General economic or market conditions may adversely affect the performance of the investments made by the Funds. Factors affecting economic conditions, including public market volatility, inflation rates, rising interest rates, currency and exchange rate fluctuations, industry conditions, competition, technological developments, and domestic and worldwide political events, none of which are in the control of Charlesbank or the Funds, can substantially and adversely affect the business and prospects of the portfolio companies in which they have invested. A general economic downturn could also result in the diminution or loss of value of the investments made by Funds due to a number of factors, including a reduced demand for the products or services produced by the Fund's portfolio companies. Market volatility may also impact the ability of portfolio companies to obtain financing for ongoing operations or expansions. In addition, a downturn or contraction in the economy or in the capital markets, or in certain industries or geographic regions, may restrict the availability of suitable investment opportunities for the Funds as well as opportunities to liquidate their investments on favorable economic terms, each of which could prevent the Funds from meeting its investment objectives.

Nature of Investments; Leverage

While investments in highly leveraged companies offer the opportunity for capital appreciation, such investments also involve a high degree of risk. The Funds' portfolio companies may incur high degrees of leverage, as a result of which, recessions, operating problems and other general business and economic risks may have a more pronounced effect on the profitability or survival of such companies. Leveraged investments are inherently more sensitive to declines in revenues and to increases in expenses. The amounts of a leveraged company's borrowings and the interest rates on those borrowings, which may fluctuate from time to time, as well as the fees and other costs of borrowing, may have a marked effect on a leveraged company's performance. Also, increased interest rates generally increase portfolio company interest expenses. In the event any such portfolio company cannot generate adequate cash flow to meet debt service, the Funds may suffer a partial or total loss of capital invested in the portfolio company.

The Funds' investments may also be made in companies that may have substantial variation in operating results from period to period. Portfolio companies can experience failures or substantial declines in value at any stage and may face intense competition. Some portfolio companies may have the need for additional capital to support expansion or to achieve or maintain a competitive position, and there is no assurance that such capital will be available.

Debt Investments.

All of the Equity Funds and the Credit Funds are permitted to invest in debt securities, including, without limitation, higher yielding (and, therefore, higher risk) debt securities. In certain cases, such debt will be rated below “investment grade” or will be unrated and face ongoing uncertainties and exposure to adverse business, financial or economic conditions and the issuer’s failure to make timely interest and principal payments. The market values of certain of these debt securities may reflect individual corporate developments. It is likely that a major economic recession could have a material adverse impact on the value of such securities. Adverse publicity and investor perceptions, whether or not based on fundamental analysis, may also decrease the value and liquidity of these debt securities. In addition, debt investments are subject to credit and interest rate risks.

Investments in Restructurings

The Funds may make investments in portfolio companies that are experiencing or are expected to experience financial difficulties. These financial difficulties may never be overcome and may cause such portfolio companies to become subject to bankruptcy proceedings. Such investments could, in certain circumstances, subject the Funds to certain additional potential liabilities that may exceed the value of the original investments. In addition, under certain circumstances, payments to the Funds and distribution by the Funds to their limited partners may be reclaimed if any such payments or distribution is later determined to have been a fraudulent conveyance, preferential payment or similar transaction under applicable bankruptcy and insolvency laws. Furthermore, investments in restructurings may be adversely affected by local statutes relating to, among other things, fraudulent conveyances, voidable preferences, lender liability and the bankruptcy court’s discretionary power to disallow, subordinate or disenfranchise particular clients.

Competitive Market for Investments

The business of identifying and structuring transactions of the nature contemplated by the Funds is highly competitive. Charlesbank competes for investments with other private equity and credit investment vehicles as well as other institutional investors, some of which may have more relevant experience, greater financial resources or more personnel than Charlesbank. There can be no assurance that Charlesbank will be able to identify suitable investment opportunities for the Funds or to acquire them for an appropriate level of consideration.

Illiquidity of Investments

A substantial portion of the investments held by the Funds consist of securities that are subject to restrictions on sale under applicable United States securities laws. Generally, the Funds will not be able to sell such securities publicly without the expense and time required to register the securities under the Securities Act, or will be able to sell the securities only under Rule 144 or other rules and regulations under applicable securities laws which permit only limited sales under specified conditions. When restricted securities are sold to the public, any such Fund may be deemed an “underwriter,” or possibly a controlling person, with respect thereto for the purpose of the Securities Act and be subject to liability as such under that Act.

Limited Diversification of Investments

The Funds may make a limited number of investments. A consequence of a limited number of investments or of similar investments is that the aggregate returns realized by the investors may be

adversely affected by the unfavorable performance of a small number of these investments. In addition, to the extent that a Fund concentrates investments in a particular industry, security or other financial instrument or geographic region the investments may be more susceptible to fluctuations in value resulting from certain adverse economic and conditions.

Time Required to Maturity of Investment

The Equity Funds are intended for long-term investors who can accept the risks associated with making highly speculative, illiquid investments in privately negotiated transactions. It is generally anticipated that there will be a significant period of time (up to six years or more) before an Equity Fund has completed its investments in its portfolio companies. Such investments typically take from three to ten years from the date of initial investment to reach a state of maturity when realization of the investment can be achieved.

Middle-Market Companies

The Funds invest primarily in middle-market to upper middle-market companies. Investments in such companies may entail larger risks than are customarily associated with investments in larger companies. Middle-market companies may have more limited product lines, markets and financial resources, and may be dependent on a smaller management group and on additional financing. As a result, such companies may be more vulnerable to general economic trends and to specific changes in markets and technology.

Adverse Consequences of Ownership of Controlling Interest in Portfolio Companies; Non-Controlling Interest in Portfolio Companies

In their private equity investing, related Equity Funds often own a controlling percentage of the common equity of its portfolio companies, which, depending upon other relevant facts and circumstances, could result in an extension to one year of the 90-day bankruptcy preference period with respect to payments made to the Funds. In addition, because of such equity ownership, representation on a portfolio company board of directors, and/or certain contractual rights, the Funds may often be thought to control, participate in the management of or influence the conduct of their portfolio companies. The exercise of such control may result in additional risks of liability for environmental damage, product defects, failure to supervise management, violation of governmental regulations (including securities laws), or other types of liability in which the limited liability generally applicable to business ownership may be ignored. If any of these liabilities were to arise, the Funds could suffer a significant loss.

On the other hand, related Funds may hold non-controlling interests in certain portfolio companies, including in its credit investing, in which case the related Funds may have a limited ability to protect their position in such portfolio companies. As a condition to making non-controlling investments, related Funds will seek to obtain appropriate shareholder or lender rights to protect the Funds' investment, but it may not be possible to obtain such rights in all cases. If the related Funds do not have a controlling position or other shareholder or lender rights to protect their interests, it is possible that a portfolio company could take actions that negatively impact the value of the Funds' investment or that prevent the Funds from disposing of their investment.

Reliance on Projections

The Funds rely on projections developed by the officers or employees of Charlesbank or by a portfolio company concerning the portfolio company's future performance and cash flow. Projections are inherently subject to uncertainty and factors beyond the control of Charlesbank and the portfolio

company. The inaccuracy of certain assumptions, the failure to satisfy certain requirements and the occurrence of other unforeseen events could impair the ability of a portfolio company to realize projected values and cash flow and could, therefore, adversely affect the Funds' performance.

General Risks Associated with Non-U.S. Investments

The Funds invest a minority portion of their capital commitments in companies that are headquartered and that have their principal operations outside the United States and Canada. These investments involve special risks not typically associated with investments in the securities or other financial instruments of U.S. issuers, including: (1) economic and political factors, such as the risk of expropriation, restrictions on repatriation of profits, and political and social instability; (2) differences between U.S. and foreign securities markets, including the absence of uniform accounting, auditing and financial reporting standards in foreign markets, and the relatively greater price volatility and illiquidity of foreign securities markets; (3) currency exchange risks, including the cost of converting investment cash flows from one currency into another and the possibility of fluctuations in exchange rates; and (4) tax-related issues, including the possibility of withholding taxes, confiscatory foreign taxes and the possibility of double taxation of income earned overseas.

Environmental Risks

Environmental laws, regulations and regulatory initiatives will be applicable in certain companies in which the funds may invest and can have a substantial impact on investments on those companies. New and more stringent environmental and health and safety laws, regulations and permit requirements or stricter interpretations of current laws or regulations could impose substantial additional costs on investments or potential investments. Any noncompliance with these laws and regulations could subject the funds and its portfolio companies to material administrative, civil or criminal penalties or other liabilities.

Cybersecurity and Privacy Threats

Charlesbank, the Funds and Fund portfolio companies may face cybersecurity threats to gain unauthorized access to sensitive information, including, without limitation, information regarding the Fund investors and Charlesbank's investment activities, or to render data or systems unusable, any of which could result in significant losses. Any cybersecurity attacks against Charlesbank, the Funds or any portfolio companies could lead to the loss of sensitive information essential to such entities' operations and could have a material adverse effect on such entities' reputations, financial positions or cash flows, could lead to financial losses from remedial actions or loss of business, or could lead to potential liability. Cybersecurity attacks are evolving and include, but are not limited to, malicious software, attempts to gain unauthorized access to data, and other electronic security breaches that could lead to disruptions in critical systems, unauthorized release of confidential or otherwise protected information and corruption of data. Cyberattacks may also be carried out in a manner that does not require gaining unauthorized access, such as causing denial-of-service attacks on systems or web sites rendering them unavailable. The controls and procedures, business continuity systems, and data security systems of Charlesbank, the Funds, the portfolio companies and each of their respective service providers could prove to be inadequate. These problems may arise in both the internally developed systems of Charlesbank, the Funds or portfolio companies or in the systems of third party service providers.

Charlesbank and its affiliates have established policies with respect to nonpublic personal information provided to it with respect to individuals who are investors in a Fund. Charlesbank recognizes the importance of maintaining the privacy of any nonpublic personal information it receives with respect to

each Fund investor. In the course of providing management services to a Charlesbank Fund, Charlesbank collects nonpublic personal information about investors from the subscription agreements and the certificates and exhibits thereto that each investor submits to Charlesbank. Charlesbank may also collect nonpublic personal information about each investor from conversations and correspondence between each investor and Charlesbank, both prior to and during the course of each investor's investment in a Charlesbank Fund. Charlesbank treats all of the nonpublic personal information it receives with respect to each Fund investor as confidential.

Charlesbank, its affiliates and the Funds are subject to the requirements of applicable data privacy laws, which may include the General Data Protection Regulation (the "GDPR") and data protection laws passed by many states and by localities that require enhanced levels of cybersecurity and notification to users and/or regulators when there is a security breach for personal data. Compliance with applicable regulations, including the obligation to timely notify stakeholders in the event of a cybersecurity incident, may divert Charlesbank's time and effort and entail substantial expense. Any failure by Charlesbank or its affiliates to comply with applicable laws and regulations could result in significant fines, financial losses from remedial actions, loss of business, injunctions and reputational and other harm.

Epidemics, Health Risks and COVID-19

The recent outbreak of the novel COVID-19 or "coronavirus" across many countries around the globe, including extensively in the U.S., has begun to materially and adversely slow global commercial activity, has contributed to significant volatility in financial markets, and has caused many to fear a potential U.S. and/or global recession and significant loss of employment. The global impact of the outbreak has been rapidly evolving, and as cases of the virus have continued to be identified in additional countries, many countries have reacted by instituting quarantines, significant restrictions on group gatherings and public events, restrictions and prohibitions on travel, and closures of a variety of venues (e.g., restaurants, concert halls, museums, theaters, schools and stadiums, non-essential stores, malls and other entertainment facilities). Such actions are creating disruption in the global economy and supply chains, and adversely impacting a number of industries, such as transportation, hospitality and entertainment, as well as creating dramatic shifts in demand, from both a technical and psychological perspective. The outbreak and related curtailment in personal and economic activity are likely to have a material adverse impact on economic and market conditions and trigger a period of global economic slowdown. The rapid development and fluidity of this situation makes it difficult to predict how it will impact the Funds' ability to identify attractive investment opportunities in the future or how the portfolio companies in which the Funds invest may be affected. For example, while valuations of target portfolio companies may be lower and more attractive from the Funds' perspective, it is possible that fewer existing owners will be willing to sell their companies at those lower valuations and the debt financing typically used for those acquisitions may be more difficult to obtain on attractive terms. Similarly, although major market disruptions and other global events can change behaviors and create new business opportunities for some companies, other companies will experience less demand for their products or services. While in the medium to longer term Charlesbank believes that the Funds should see attractive investment opportunities consistent with their respective investment strategies, it will likely take some time for the markets to recover.

To the extent a pandemic, including COVID-19, is present in jurisdictions in which Charlesbank has offices or other operations or investments, the ability of Charlesbank to operate effectively, including the ability of personnel to function, communicate and travel to the extent necessary to carry out the Funds' investment strategies and objectives, may be impaired. The Funds and the portfolio companies in which

the Funds invest may suffer losses and other adverse impacts if travel and other COVID-19 related disruptions continue for an extended period of time.

Market and Credit Risks Generally and In Connection with the Russia/Ukraine Conflict and Other Geopolitical Matters

The business of the Funds and its portfolio companies has been and could continue to be adversely affected directly or indirectly by economic and political changes in the global markets and markets where they compete regarding: inflation rates, recessions, trade restrictions, tariff increases or potential new tariffs, foreign ownership restrictions and economic embargoes imposed by the United States or any of the foreign countries in which we do business; changes in laws, taxation, and regulations and the interpretation and application of these laws, taxes, and regulations; restrictions imposed by the U.S. government or foreign governments through exchange controls or taxation policy; nationalization or expropriation of property, undeveloped property rights, and legal systems or political instability; other governmental actions; and other external factors over which we have no control. Economic and political conditions within the United States and foreign jurisdictions or strained relations between countries could result in fluctuations in demand, price volatility, loss of property, state sponsored cyberattacks, supply disruptions, or other disruptions. An open conflict or war across any region significant to their business could result in plant closures, employee displacement, and an inability to obtain key supplies and materials. The Funds' investments are subject to risks of credit defaults and changes in market values. Periods of macroeconomic weakness or recession, heightened volatility or disruption in the financial and credit markets could increase these risks, potentially resulting in other-than-temporary impairment of assets in their investment portfolio. The impact of geopolitical tension, such as a deterioration in the bilateral relationship between the United States and China or the conflict between Russia and Ukraine, including the resulting sanctions, export controls or other restrictive actions that have been or may be imposed by the United States and/or other countries against governmental or other entities in, for example, Russia, also could lead to disruption, instability and volatility in the global markets, which may have an impact on the Funds' investments across negatively impacted sectors or geographies.

Item 9 – Disciplinary Information

Charlesbank and its employees have not been involved in any material legal or disciplinary events over the past 10 years that require disclosure under this item or that would be material to a client's evaluation of the company or its personnel.

Item 10 – Other Financial Industry Activities and Affiliations

Neither Charlesbank nor any of its management persons are registered, or have an application pending to register, as a (a) broker-dealer or a registered representative of a broker-dealer, or (b) futures commission merchant, commodity pool operator, a commodity trading advisor or an associated person of the foregoing entities.

Employees of Charlesbank and members of its Portfolio Support Services team serve as directors and officers of certain portfolio companies and, in that capacity, will be required to make decisions that consider the best interests of such portfolio companies and their respective shareholders, including the Funds. In certain circumstances, for example in situations involving bankruptcy or near-insolvency of a portfolio company, actions that may be in the best interests of the portfolio company may not be in the

best interests of the Funds that are shareholders, and vice versa. Accordingly, in these situations, there will be conflicts of interest between such individuals' duties as employees of Charlesbank or members of its Portfolio Support Services team, on the one hand, and such individuals' duties as a director or officer of such portfolio company, on the other. Charlesbank has adopted policies and procedures that are reasonably designed to address such potential conflicts of interest and that seek to ensure that the Funds are treated fairly and equitably. However, although Charlesbank's policies and procedures for addressing conflicts that can arise in these situations are intended to resolve those conflicts in an impartial manner, there can be no assurance that Charlesbank's own interests will not influence its conduct or that Charlesbank's policies and procedures will have adequately anticipated all conflicts that may arise.

Related General Partners

Affiliates of Charlesbank serve as the general partners of the Charlesbank Funds and Fund X GP Funds.

Item 11 – Code of Ethics, Participation or Interest in Client Transactions and Personal Trading

Code of Ethics

In accordance with Rule 204A-1 under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended (the “Advisers Act”), Charlesbank has adopted a Code of Ethics (the “Code”) for all employees or other persons who provide investment advice on behalf of Charlesbank (each, a “Covered Person” and collectively, the “Covered Persons”) describing its standard of business conduct and fiduciary duty to its clients. The Code includes provisions relating to the confidentiality of client information, a prohibition on insider trading, procedures for personal trading, restrictions on the acceptance and giving of significant gifts, and the making of political contributions, among other things. Annually, all Charlesbank Covered Persons must acknowledge that they have received, read and understand the terms of the Code, and that they have complied with, and will continue to comply with, the Code.

Charlesbank Covered Persons are required to follow the Code, which is designed to assure that the personal investment transactions, activities and interests of the Covered Persons of Charlesbank will not interfere with (1) making decisions in the best interests of the Charlesbank Funds and (2) implementing such decisions while, at the same time, allowing Covered Persons to invest for their own accounts. The Code requires preclearance of most transactions. Charlesbank maintains a restricted list against which trades requiring preclearance are checked. Under the Code, certain classes of investments have been designated as exempt from preclearance, based upon a determination that these would not materially interfere with the best interests of Charlesbank's clients. Trading by Covered Persons is monitored under the Code to reasonably prevent conflicts of interest between Charlesbank and its clients and prevent insider trading and the misuse of the material non-public information held by Charlesbank and its Covered Persons, including with respect to the Funds and their portfolio companies.

Charlesbank will provide investors or prospective investors in the Funds with a copy of Charlesbank's Code of Ethics upon written request to the Chief Compliance Officer, Charlesbank Capital Partners, LLC, 200 Clarendon Street, 54th Floor, Boston, MA 02116.

Potential Conflicts of Interest

Charlesbank has an Allocation Policy that determines the allocation of investment opportunities, and an allocation committee administers the policy. For each investment opportunity, in addition to formal approval by the applicable investment committee, potential participation by the Funds in such investment

opportunity is determined by the allocation committee in accordance with such policy and procedures as well as the governing documents relating to the Funds.

In the case where an investment opportunity available to a given Fund is an appropriate investment for one or more other Funds, (i) certain Flagship Equity Funds have the initial opportunity to invest up to their desired allocation, and (ii) in such circumstances, if any remaining capacity is available after such Flagship Equity Fund receives its allocation, or the investment is not appropriate for such Flagship Equity Fund, then other Flagship Equity Funds, Technology Funds and Credit Funds, as applicable, may invest in any remaining capacity. If a Fund determines to make a co-investment with one or more other Funds, the Funds generally will make the investment on, and ultimate disposition on, economic terms that are no less favorable than those terms provided to the relevant other Funds, subject to any specific investment limitations applicable to any participating Funds and certain other factors as described in the governing documents of such Funds and Charlesbank's Allocation Policy, or as otherwise approved by the Charlesbank Funds' advisory boards. If such a co-investment opportunity among Funds includes different tranches of investments, each tranche is considered a separate investment opportunity and allocated to the Funds subject to any specific investment limitations applicable to any participating Funds and certain other factors as described in the governing documents of such Funds and Charlesbank's Allocation Policy. In the event that a Fund invests in a company in which one or more other Funds holds an investment in a different class of such company's debt or equity that is junior or senior to the former Fund's investment, or vice versa, Charlesbank may be required at times to make decisions with respect to debt or preferred equity investments held by the other Funds that are adverse to the interests of the former Fund as a subordinated equity or debt investor in the same company and conflicts of interest may arise. Charlesbank has adopted policies and procedures that are reasonably designed to address such potential conflicts of interest and that seek to ensure that the Funds are treated fairly and equitably. However, although Charlesbank's policies and procedures for addressing conflicts that can arise in these situations are intended to resolve those conflicts in an impartial manner, there can be no assurance that Charlesbank's own interests will not influence its conduct or that Charlesbank's policies and procedures will have adequately anticipated all conflicts that may arise.

In addition, Charlesbank consults with limited partner advisory boards for certain Funds to review potential conflicts and to ensure that one Fund is not favored over another. Each Charlesbank Fund advisory board is comprised of representatives of the limited partners of that Charlesbank Fund. An advisory board may also review allocation decisions outside of the scope or limitations of the Charlesbank Fund's governing documents.

From time to time, the opportunity to coinvest in a Charlesbank Fund investment becomes available. Where possible and appropriate, the general partner of the applicable Charlesbank Fund offers such co-investment opportunities, in some cases, to (i) certain Charlesbank Fund limited partners (or their beneficial owners), (ii) management or employees of the relevant portfolio company, consultants and advisors with respect to such portfolio company or pre-existing investors or other persons associated with such portfolio company, (iii) any joint venture partner, (iv) any other investment fund or managed account advised by Charlesbank or its affiliates, (v) the Overage Program (as defined below) or (vi) any other person, including persons or entities whom the general partner of the applicable Charlesbank Fund believes will be of benefit to the Charlesbank Fund or one or more portfolio companies or who may provide a strategic, sourcing or similar benefit to Charlesbank, the Charlesbank Fund, a portfolio company or one or more of their respective affiliates due to industry expertise, regulatory expertise, end-user expertise or otherwise (including private equity funds sponsored by persons other than Charlesbank) (collectively, "Co-Investors").

Subject to the terms of the applicable Charlesbank Funds' governing documents, Charlesbank allocates co-investment opportunities among Co-Investors in any manner it deems appropriate, taking into account those factors that it deems relevant under the circumstances, including: (i) the character or nature of the co-investment opportunity (e.g., its size, structure, geographic location, relevant industry, tax characteristics, timing and any contemplated minimum commitment threshold); (ii) the level of demand for participation in such co-investment opportunity; (iii) the ability of a prospective Co-Investor to analyze or consummate a potential co-investment opportunity on an expedited basis; (iv) certainty of funding and whether a prospective Co-Investor has the financial resources to provide the requisite capital; (v) the investing objectives and existing portfolio of the prospective Co-Investor; (vi) the reporting, public relations, competitive, confidentiality or other issues that may also arise as a result of the co-investment; (vii) the legal or regulatory constraints to which the proposed investment is expected to give rise; and (viii) Charlesbank's own interests. With respect to allocations influenced by Charlesbank's own interests, there could be a variety of circumstances where Charlesbank will be incentivized to afford co-investment opportunities to one Co-Investor over another. Additionally, in certain circumstances, Charlesbank is contractually incentivized or obligated to offer certain Co-Investors a minimum amount of co-investment opportunities or otherwise bear adverse economic consequences for failure to do so, which consequences may include, a loss of future economic rights, including carried interest or other incentive arrangements. A limited partner of a Charlesbank Fund that expresses interest in participating in co-investment opportunities is not guaranteed to be offered any such opportunity.

Without limiting the foregoing, the general partner of the Charlesbank Funds that constitute its Fund IX family of funds (collectively, "Fund IX") has established a program (the "Overage Program") to make co-investment opportunities available to interested Fund IX institutional limited partners in connection with Fund IX's larger portfolio investments. The terms of the Overage Program are determined by the Fund IX general partner and the participating Fund IX limited partners, and include that (a) any co-investments by the Overage Program with Fund IX will generally be made at substantially the same time as (or within a reasonable time before or after) and on economic terms at the investment level substantially no more favorable to such Overage Program participants than those on which Fund IX invests at the time of such co-investment (to the extent reasonably practicable, taking into account such facts and circumstances as are applicable with respect to such co-investment at the time of such co-investment and it being understood that legal, tax, regulatory or similar considerations or limitations may affect the form of such co-investments) and (b) any such co-investment generally will be sold or otherwise disposed of at substantially the same time (and, in the case of a partial disposition, in substantially the same proportion) as Fund IX's disposition of its interest in such investment and on economic terms at the investment level substantially no more favorable to such Overage Program participants than those on which Fund IX disposes of its interest in such investment at the time of such disposition (to the extent reasonably practicable, taking into account such facts and circumstances as are applicable with respect to such co-investment at the time of the disposition of such co-investment), unless, in either case, the Fund IX general partner determines in good faith that other terms, proportions or timing are advisable due to legal, tax, regulatory or similar considerations or limitations, or advisable in order to facilitate a transaction.

All decisions regarding whether and to whom to offer co-investment opportunities are made in the sole discretion of the general partner of the respective Charlesbank Fund.

It is Charlesbank's policy not to enter into principal transactions. A principal transaction is defined as a transaction in which an investment adviser, acting for its own account, buys a security from or sells a security to a client.

Charlesbank does not have an affiliated broker-dealer and therefore does not engage in agency cross-trading transactions. An agency cross-trading transaction is defined as a transaction in which an

investment adviser effects the sale or purchase of a security for a client while acting as broker for a person other than the client.

Charlesbank's Covered Persons receive product discounts from certain Charlesbank portfolio companies from time to time. Typically, portfolio companies will offer such discounts to customers other than Charlesbank's Covered Persons as part of their standard commercial practices to expand their respective customer bases, which Charlesbank believes helps to mitigate the potential for conflicts relating to such arrangements.

The Charlesbank Funds have in the past entered into, and expect to enter into in the future, Side Letters (as defined above) with investors in the Charlesbank Funds that have the effect of establishing rights under, or altering or supplementing the terms of the governing documents of a Charlesbank Fund as they apply to a particular investor in that Charlesbank Fund. As a result of such Side Letters, certain investors can receive additional benefits that other investors will not receive. The terms of such Side Letters may include, without limitation, the following: (i) various notification requirements (e.g., with respect to legal or regulatory actions); (ii) limitations on the Charlesbank Fund's ability to distribute assets in kind; (iii) covenants for the provision of audited financial statements or other reports within certain periods of time; (iv) forms of notice; (v) investment restrictions; (vi) the use and disclosure of information and other confidentiality provisions; (vii) limitations on indemnification; (viii) tax related provisions (e.g., limitations on withholding taxes or engaging in certain transactions that could result in adverse tax consequences for certain investors); (ix) co-investment rights; and (x) opting out of particular investments.

From time to time, we recommend the services of one portfolio company to one or more other portfolio companies where we believe, in our reasonable judgment, that such services would benefit one or more such other portfolio companies. However, in an effort to mitigate potential conflicts associated with such arrangements, we will typically not require any portfolio company to engage another portfolio company for such services and we will request the applicable portfolio companies to independently assess the value-add from such services for their business and independently undertake a cost-benefit analysis.

Item 12 – Brokerage Practices

Since most of its investments are in private companies, Charlesbank does not generally use the services of broker-dealers to effect transactions. When it does, including in connection with its investments by the Credit Funds, Charlesbank selects brokers based on a number of factors, including, but not limited to, the size and type of transaction, the markets for securities to be purchased or sold, execution, efficiency, settlement capability, financial condition of the broker-dealer, the quality of the broker-dealer's trade execution on a continuing basis and reasonableness of brokerage commissions. While Charlesbank attempts to achieve the best overall price for its clients, Charlesbank does not necessarily select a broker offering the lowest possible commission cost because such a selection may not result in the best quality execution of transactions effected for the Funds.

To the extent that orders for purchase and sale are placed, Charlesbank aggregates such orders among affiliated Equity Funds in a fund family, for investments made by such Equity Funds, and affiliated Credit Funds in a fund family, for investments made by the Credit Funds, on a pro rata basis in accordance with the limited partnership agreement of each Charlesbank Fund.

Charlesbank does not have any soft dollar arrangements.

Item 13 – Review of Accounts

Charlesbank's investment teams actively monitor the investments held by the Charlesbank Funds, generally representing the Charlesbank Funds on each Equity Fund portfolio company board of directors. Typically, at least two Managing Directors are assigned to each investment, along with several additional investment professionals. The entire investment staff for each team (i.e., the investment team focused on the Flagship Equity Funds, Technology Funds and Credit Funds) and certain senior administrative staff generally meet weekly to review and discuss material portfolio company developments. The respective teams also meet quarterly to review each investment in detail, including progress against budget and key performance metrics.

Investors in the Charlesbank Funds receive audited financial statements on an annual basis and unaudited financial statements on a quarterly basis. On a quarterly basis, investors also receive an investment summary for each portfolio company held by the applicable Charlesbank Fund, which describes the initial investment, as well as any material developments. In addition to other routine reporting, Charlesbank holds an annual limited partner meeting at which Charlesbank Fund performance information and all active investments are discussed in detail.

Item 14 – Client Referrals and Other Compensation

Charlesbank has engaged Monument Group and GrovePeak, each a registered broker-dealer, as placement agents relating to certain of its Credit Funds. Charlesbank utilizes its placement agents primarily to supplement and assist Charlesbank's Investor Relations and the Credit Team in the day-to-day fundraising activities.

Item 15 – Custody

The assets of the Charlesbank Funds are held in custody with third party qualified custodians. Although Charlesbank does not maintain physical possession of the assets of any Charlesbank Fund, Charlesbank is deemed to have constructive custody pursuant to the Advisers Act. Charlesbank complies with Rule 206(4)-2 under the Advisers Act by delivering audited financial statements, prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, to the investors in the Charlesbank Funds within 120 days of their fiscal year ends, and beginning with the 2021 audited financial statements, to the investors in the Associates Funds and Fund X GP Funds within 120 days of their fiscal year ends.

Item 16 – Investment Discretion

Charlesbank provides investment advisory services to each of the Charlesbank Funds and the Fund X GP Funds pursuant to an investment and advisory agreement, subject to the direction and control of the general partner of each Charlesbank Fund and each Fund X GP Fund. Any investment restrictions are contained in the limited partnership agreement and related documents for each Fund. Prior to making an investment in a Fund, the limited partners review the governing documents for such Fund, and in the case of the Charlesbank Funds, are permitted to negotiate the terms of such governing documents.

From time to time, the opportunity to coinvest in a Charlesbank Fund investment becomes available. Where possible and appropriate, the general partner of the applicable Charlesbank Fund offers such co-

investment opportunities, in some cases, to some but not other Charlesbank Fund limited partners, and in some cases to persons other than limited partners, including, in the case of Fund IX, through the Overage Program described in more detail above. All decisions regarding whether and to whom to offer co-investment opportunities are made in the sole discretion of the general partner of the respective Charlesbank Fund.

Item 17 – Voting Client Securities

It is Charlesbank's practice to review and vote on proxy and shareholder consent matters on a case-by-case basis, taking into account the relevant facts and circumstances known at the time. In all cases, Charlesbank evaluates the issues to determine whether and to what extent they may have a material impact, economic or otherwise, on the Charlesbank Funds. In accordance with the authority delegated to Charlesbank by the general partner of each Charlesbank Fund, under the terms of the applicable agreement of limited partnership, Charlesbank will vote all proxies and shareholder consents in the best interest of the respective Charlesbank Fund. Proxies voted for affiliated Charlesbank Funds are voted in the same manner. Should a conflict arise between Charlesbank Funds, Charlesbank will seek to ensure that such conflict does not influence how proxies are voted in accordance with its Proxy Voting Policy.

Certain Covered Persons who are investment professionals of Charlesbank serve as board members for the Funds' portfolio companies. In situations where Charlesbank votes the proxy for a company in which a Covered Person of Charlesbank serves on the board of directors, Charlesbank has determined that it does not inherently present a conflict of interest as the purpose for serving on the board is to maximize the return on the Funds' investment and to ensure that the Funds' interests are protected.

Charlesbank will provide investors in the Charlesbank Funds with a copy of Charlesbank's Proxy Voting Policy, as well as information about how Charlesbank voted proxies on behalf of a Charlesbank Fund, upon written request to the Chief Compliance Officer, Charlesbank Capital Partners, LLC, 200 Clarendon Street, 54th Floor, Boston, MA 02116.

Item 18 – Financial Information

A balance sheet is not required to be provided as Charlesbank does not solicit fees more than six months in advance, does not have a financial condition that is likely to impair its ability to meet contractual commitments to its clients and has not been subject to any bankruptcy proceeding.