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**Form ADV Part 2A Brochure**

Of

**EDGEHILL ENDOWMENT PARTNERS LLC**

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This brochure provides information about the qualifications and business practices of Edgehill Endowment Partners LLC (“Edgehill”), an investment adviser registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”). If you have questions about the contents of this brochure, please contact us at (203) 654 3552 or at [info@edgehillendowment.com](mailto:info@edgehillendowment.com). This information has not been approved or verified by the SEC or by any state securities regulatory authority.

Additional information about Edgehill is also available on the SEC website at [www.advisorinfo.sec.gov](http://www.advisorinfo.sec.gov).

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## ITEM 2. SUMMARY OF MATERIAL CHANGES

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This brochure is Edgehill's annual update to our Form ADV Part 2A. This brochure contains a Regulatory Assets Under Management as of January 31, 2024. Edgehill encourages all current and prospective clients to read this Brochure and discuss any questions you may have with the Advisor.

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## ITEM 4. ADVISORY BUSINESS

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### Introduction

Edgehill Endowment Partners LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, is an investment advisory firm in New Haven, Connecticut. The Firm was established in 2013 and is owned by Nina F. Scherago (“the Managing Partner”). Edgehill Endowment Partners may be referred to in this brochure as “we,” “Edgehill” or “the Firm.”

Edgehill provides discretionary and non-discretionary investment management services to non-profit endowments, foundations, trusts and other mission-based institutions (“Client” or “Clients”). Each of these clients is intended to have aggregate assets that exceed \$150 million. Edgehill invests the entire client assets through separate accounts, and it provides no other services or investment products.

Edgehill’s investment management services could include:

- In consultation with each Client, development of an appropriate investment policy and asset allocation plan that reflects its investment objectives, time horizon and risk tolerances;
- Identification and selection of third-party investment managers (“Investment Managers”) and pooled investment funds including, without limitation, traditional and alternative investment funds or separately managed accounts (the pooled investment funds are referred to, collectively, as “Investment Funds”) for a Client’s account;
- Identification and negotiation of the purchase or sale of marketable or non-marketable securities and other investments (which will generally include Investment Funds) for a Client’s account;
- Coordination of service providers including third party administrators, financial institutions and custodians in connection with a Client’s account and
- Provision of other investment-related support and assistance as mutually agreed.

The investment objectives, risk profile and asset allocation plan of a Client may, but are not required to be, similar to those of another Client. For discretionary investment mandates, Edgehill will generally be authorized to execute investment transactions without prior consultation with a Client.

Prior to engaging Edgehill to provide investment advisory services, a Client will enter into an Investment Management Agreement which sets forth the terms and conditions under which Edgehill will render its services.

### Assets Under Management

As of January 31, 2024, Edgehill manages approximately \$2,177,050,213 of Client assets on a fully discretionary basis.

## ITEM 5. FEES AND COMPENSATION

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### Fees

Edgehill may be entitled to different types of fees from each Client account that it manages: (a) an asset-based advisory fee and (b) an incentive fee. The asset-based advisory fee is calculated based upon a specified percentage of that Client's account assets. The fixed advisory fee is negotiated with each Client, if applicable. The advisory fee may be paid monthly or quarterly, in advance or in arrears, depending on the specific fee arrangement with each Client. If a Client pays in advance of services rendered, and its contract with Edgehill is terminated before the period has ended, a pro rata portion of the unused fees will be refunded to that Client.

The incentive fee (which may not be applicable to every Client) is calculated as a specified percentage of the yearly net profits of each Client's investment assets or a portion of those assets in excess of a specified benchmark. The incentive fee is determined and paid on an annual basis and it is calculated on the cumulative outperformance. It is subject to a loss carry forward that requires that underperformance relative to the specified benchmark be offset by future outperformance relative to the benchmark.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, it is anticipated that our fee arrangements with a Client will be negotiated and agreed upon on a Client-by-Client basis, and specific fee arrangements may differ in one or more material respects from the fees described above. The specific compensation payable by a Client will be described in the Investment Management Agreement to be entered into by and between the Client and Edgehill.

### Expenses

Each Client incurs account administration and other investment-related financial services costs in connection with an investment account. Costs could include brokerage commissions, banking and custodial services, taxes, duties and other governmental charges, transfer and registration fees, audit and other expenses. Except for legal expenses that arise due to a Client's unique requirements, Edgehill incurs its own expenses associated with the performance of investment management services on behalf of a Client. An Edgehill Client is subject to the management and incentive fees, as well as the operational and administrative expenses charged by the Investment Managers in which they invest.

The brokerage and other transaction costs that are borne by an Edgehill Client are described in more detail in Item 12 (Brokerage Practices) in this brochure.

Neither Edgehill nor any of its supervised persons accept compensation (*e.g.*, brokerage commissions) for the sale of securities or other investment products.

## ITEM 6. PERFORMANCE-BASED FEES AND SIDE-BY-SIDE MANAGEMENT

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Edgehill structures all performance or incentive fee arrangements in accordance with Section 205(a)(1) of the Investment Advisers Act, as amended (the “Advisers Act”), and the available exemptions thereunder, including as set forth in Rule 205-3.

Such fee arrangements can vary and potentially create an incentive to favor higher fee-paying accounts over other accounts in the allocation of investment opportunities. There are a number of other risks and potential conflicts that can arise in connection with performance-based compensation, including the following:

- Performance-based compensation creates a potential conflict of interest by creating an incentive for Edgehill to make riskier or more speculative investments than would be made under an alternative advisory fee arrangement.
- Performance-based compensation is calculated using the total return of the portfolio, or a portion of the portfolio, which includes both realized and unrealized gains (net of realized and unrealized losses). Edgehill’s compensation could include amounts that are greater than the amounts eventually realized.
- Since not all investment opportunities undertaken by the underlying Investment Managers are publicly listed, the market value of such investments may not always be readily available. Accordingly, for purposes of calculating performance-based compensation (as well as advisory fees), the Investment Managers will generally rely on valuation methodologies that are consistent with ASC Topic 820, the most current guidance from the AICPA (which provides a framework for determining fair value that is used by the Investment Manager), or other method(s) of valuation determined by the Client’s Fund Administrator in its discretion.

Any Edgehill Client should review any documentation related to its relationship with Edgehill for further information.

Edgehill owes a fiduciary responsibility to each Client, without regard to the types and amounts of fees it receives. The Firm’s allocation policies and procedures seek to ensure that each Client account is treated fairly. Edgehill is committed to allocating investment opportunities among Clients for which such opportunities are appropriate in a fair and equitable manner and has established policies and procedures to address the conflicts of interest described above. Generally, manager allocations are made among accounts with a similar strategy on a *pro rata* basis based on the size of the account, provided such allocations allow clients to adhere to their respective investment policy statement guidelines.

## ITEM 7. TYPES OF CLIENTS

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Edgehill provides discretionary and non-discretionary investment management services to U.S. endowments, foundations, and other mission-based institutions that are tax-exempt. Generally, each Edgehill Client is expected to employ a multi-manager, multi-strategy investment approach. The minimum account size for any Client is currently one hundred and fifty million dollars (\$150,000,000), which Edgehill may waive in its discretion. Currently, the Firm provides only discretionary investment advisory services to its Clients.

## ITEM 8. METHODS OF ANALYSIS, INVESTMENT STRATEGIES, RISK OF LOSS

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Edgehill provides each Client with investment services and advice to balance long-term asset allocation with the individual institution's financial objectives, risk tolerances, time horizon and any other unique factors that are applicable. Additionally, Edgehill reviews, at least annually, the selection of Investment Managers and asset allocation models in consultation with each Client.

Edgehill typically employs a multi-manager investment approach, where each Client's account assets are invested in Investment Funds or separately managed accounts which are managed by Investment Managers. Edgehill selects active Investment Managers that it believes will generate performance that is superior to a passive alternative. The Edgehill team uses its experience, judgment, and industry knowledge to identify and evaluate prospective Investment Managers. In support of each Client's investment objectives, Edgehill will invest Client assets in a variety of marketable and non-marketable investments. The Firm evaluates Investment Managers on the basis of each manager's investment acumen, prior performance across market cycles, risk management, reputation, operational capabilities, and other factors. To evaluate Investment Managers, Edgehill also utilizes available data and records, including offering memoranda, audited financial statements, publicly available information, as well as in-person meetings and reference checks with third-parties. Edgehill believes this multi-manager investment approach will collectively meet or exceed each Client's investment objectives over a market cycle.

### **Risks of Investment**

The asset classes and investment strategies that are eligible for a Client's portfolio all are subject to a number of risks that could result in the loss of capital. Thus, there is no assurance that a Client will not incur losses. Unforeseeable events, including but not limited to actions by government agencies, and domestic and international economic and political developments, can cause market fluctuations which could adversely affect the performance of Client investments.

Past success with the investment methodology employed by Edgehill cannot assure future results. There can be no assurance that the investments or investment techniques employed will achieve a Client's investment objectives or that accounts will be profitable. Investors should be able to bear the risk of loss of their investment.

The following risks may arise in connection with any of the separate accounts managed by Edgehill.

#### General Risks

*Macroeconomic Uncertainty:* The global securities markets can be characterized as volatile. Changes in global economic conditions and geopolitical conflicts could magnify market fluctuations and/or affect the profitability of an Investment Fund's underlying positions.

*Liquidity Risk:* The lock-up structures of the underlying Investment Managers' investment vehicles create certain risks for an Edgehill Client. Investment Managers may experience withdrawals that could require them to liquidate underlying positions more rapidly than would otherwise be desirable, thereby adversely affecting the value of an Investment Fund's remaining assets. Additionally, Investment Managers may from time-to-time limit withdrawals, particularly during periods of market disruption. Investments in illiquid vehicles should not be acquired with a view to their resale or other distribution. Such interests are typically not registered under the Securities Act, and the transferability of such interests is substantially restricted.

*Counterparty Risk:* The institutions, including brokerage firms and banks, with which Investment Managers do business, may encounter financial difficulties that impair the operational capabilities, or the value of securities owned by these Investment Managers on behalf of Clients.

*Multi-Manager Approach:* A Client's Investment Managers may hold similar positions that result in concentrated exposures, which may increase overall risk, or may hold offsetting positions which may undermine the effects of diversification. Investment Managers could compete to own the same security and impact its price. Edgehill will not control any Investment Manager's management, day-to-day operations, policies and procedures, and investment and trading strategies. Such an Investment Manager could underperform or sustain absolute losses as a result of its poor investment selection and/or malfeasance.

*Lack of Transparency:* While Edgehill endeavors to monitor underlying portfolio exposures, there can be no assurance that Edgehill will at all times be able to obtain the levels of transparency with respect to each Investment Fund as we may request. When provided, such information may not necessarily be timely or complete.

*Valuation:* Edgehill and its Clients' Fund Administrators rely on Investment Managers to ascertain the valuations of securities in their portfolios, including illiquid or infrequently traded securities, the value of which may be highly uncertain.

*Incentive-Based Manager Compensation:* Investment Managers may at times take greater risk in order to generate potential incentive-based fees. The valuation of illiquid or thinly-traded assets could be influenced by the existence of an incentive-based fee.

*Regulatory Limitations:* Investment Managers are subject to varying levels of regulation. Registration with a regulatory authority, such as the SEC, does not imply governmental approval of an Investment Manager's investment program or operations.

#### *Specific Investment Risks*

*Risk of Loss:* Investing involves a variety of material risks. Edgehill seeks to mitigate certain types of risk through diversification, the application of modern portfolio theory, and other risk management techniques. However, it is not possible to eliminate all forms of risk from an investment program. Some of these risks, as outlined below, relate to investing indirectly through funds or separate accounts managed by Investment Managers, while others pertain to the investment in individual securities generally. Despite Edgehill's efforts to conduct

comprehensive and robust reviews of each investment under our supervision, all investing involves the risk of loss that a Client should be prepared to bear.

*Leverage:* The use of traditional loans, derivatives, or other forms of leverage to enhance potential returns and/or reduce risk could result in amplifying losses, including the gross underlying exposure of manager portfolios.

*Non-U.S. Securities:* Investments in securities which are domiciled on exchanges outside the United States and are denominated in non-U.S. currencies, may involve risks and opportunities not typically associated with investing in securities of U.S. issuers, including (a) currency fluctuation, (b) political, economic and social instability, (c) imposition of non-U.S. taxes, (d) less liquid capital markets and less transparency, (e) higher transaction costs, (f) less government supervision of exchanges, brokers and issuers, less stringent laws regarding fiduciary duties of officers and directors and protection of investors, and difficulty in enforcing contractual obligations, (g) lack of uniform accounting and auditing standards, and (h) the potential for expropriation, nationalization or other exchange control restrictions.

*Fixed Income Investments:* The price of a fixed income security will fluctuate with changes in interest rates. Credit risk (non-payment by the debtor) and prepayment risk (early payment by the debtor) can also reduce the value of the security.

*Possible Concentration of Investments:* Unlike certain other investment vehicles (such as diversified mutual funds), a Client's assets may be allocated to relatively concentrated set of Investment Funds. Concentration of investments in a limited number of issuers or securities, industries or industry groups, commodities or commodity groups, or countries or regions, can significantly increase investment risk and portfolio volatility.

*Legal and Regulatory Risk:* Changes in the legal or regulatory environment could adversely affect, either directly or indirectly, the investment merits of a security.

## ITEM 9. DISCIPLINARY INFORMATION

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Registered investment advisers are required to disclose all material facts regarding any legal or disciplinary events that would be material to your evaluation of them or the integrity of their management. Edgehill Endowment Partners has no reportable information applicable to this Item.

## **ITEM 10. OTHER FINANCIAL INDUSTRY ACTIVITIES AND AFFILIATIONS**

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Edgehill Endowment Partners has no financial industry affiliations, relationships, or material arrangements that require disclosure under this Item.

## ITEM 11. CODE OF ETHICS, PARTICIPATION OR INTEREST IN CLIENT TRANSACTIONS AND PERSONAL TRADING

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### Code of Ethics

Edgehill has established a Code of Ethics pursuant to Rule 204A-1 under the Advisers Act. The Code sets forth the ethical framework in which the Managing Partner and other Edgehill employees are required to operate and highlights the standards of business conduct. Edgehill ensures that all personnel have read and adhere to the Firm's Code of Ethics. The Code outlines standards of business conduct, requiring that all of Edgehill's supervised persons (broadly, any employee or principal) comply with relevant provisions of the U.S. federal securities laws and the fiduciary duties an investment adviser owes to its clients. Edgehill has both a Personal Account Trading Policy, which governs the personal investment activities of Edgehill's access persons, as well as a Policy and Procedures to Detect and Deter Insider Trading. A copy of Edgehill's Code of Ethics and other Policies are available upon request.

Notable provisions of Edgehill's Code of Ethics and other Policies are summarized below.

*Standard of Business Conduct, including Conflicts of Interest.* It is the responsibility of all Edgehill principals and employees to ensure that the Firm conducts its business in keeping with a high level of ethical standards and with its fiduciary obligations to each Client. The Managing Partner and employees are expected to place the interests of a Client first, and to refrain from engaging in outside activities that could conflict with the interests of any Client. In the event of a potential conflict, Edgehill's policy is to promptly resolve any conflicts or potential conflicts that arise.

*Privacy of Client Information.* Information relating to any Client, including investment holdings and portfolio activities, is confidential.

*Personal Securities Transactions.* Edgehill principals and employees are required to comply with the Firm's personal account trading policy. Because personal trading and other investment activities of Edgehill's related persons could lead to potential conflicts of interest, Edgehill has adopted policies and procedures specifically related to personal securities transactions and insider trading that are designed to identify, prevent or mitigate actual conflicts of interest and comply with all applicable laws.

*Conflicts of Interests.* Edgehill has a duty to disclose potential and actual conflicts of interest to any Client. Neither the Firm nor any of its principals or employees are permitted to use confidential information for the purpose of furthering any private interest.

Edgehill's Code of Ethics also contains certain policies and procedures to address conflicts of interest with respect to the personal trading activity of their employees, including the pre-clearance of purchase and sales in certain securities in employees' covered accounts, reporting of personal securities holdings and prohibition on transacting in any securities which they possess inside information.

Personal trading by Edgehill employees will be prohibited if it would conflict with a Client's interests, would constitute "front running" of a Client's transactions (purchasing securities in advance that would trigger purchase of the same securities by a Client) or would involve the use of material, non-public information.

The Code of Ethics and related policies incorporate certain protocols where a potential conflict exists, including:

- Reporting of gifts and entertainment exchanged between Edgehill employees and third parties, including any Client, vendor, consultant or broker as required by the Code of Ethics;
- Restrictions on the amount, frequency and type of gifts and entertainment given or received by Edgehill employees;
- Pre-clearance and reporting of all political contributions made by Edgehill employees; and
- Pre-clearance and reporting of all business activities that could conflict with an employee's responsibilities or duties to an Edgehill Client.

*Reporting of Violations.* Any actual or potential conflicts of interest, violations of law, or violations of Edgehill's policies or procedures must be reported promptly to the Chief Compliance Officer (the "CCO") or a principal of the Firm and can be made on a confidential or non-confidential basis, orally in person or by phone, or in writing hand delivered or sent by e-mail or fax. The Firm will not take any action against a person who reports such violation or potential violation.

## ITEM 12. BROKERAGE PRACTICES

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Edgehill, where it has the authority to make direct investments of Client assets, retains full discretion to initiate transactions or to select broker-dealers to execute transactions, subject to principles of best execution and requirements of applicable law.

Subject to principles of best execution, Edgehill generally selects such broker-dealers based upon factors that include the quality of execution, expertise in particular markets, the broker-dealer's reputation, experience and financial stability, commission rates, the accuracy of reporting, and other factors that are deemed relevant by Edgehill. Certain broker-dealers may offer other products or services to Edgehill, which gives Edgehill an apparent incentive to use certain broker-dealers. Edgehill is, however, committed to obtaining best execution in all trading activities, regardless of whether commission is charged, and Investment Managers also have policies and procedures that are designed to achieve best execution.

Edgehill does not use, and does not expect to use, soft dollars. Investment Managers hired by Edgehill on behalf of a Client may, however, use soft dollars. When hiring Investment Managers, Edgehill attempts to determine that their soft dollar practices are consistent with applicable regulations.

## ITEM 13. REVIEW OF ACCOUNTS

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With respect to Edgehill Client accounts, the Firm's Managing Partner or other key Firm personnel will each generally review and/or supervise all investments and that Client's portfolio. While the frequency and extent of reviews can vary, a Client account will generally be reviewed at least monthly. Such review may include an evaluation of individual investments, performance to date, the appropriateness of investment exposures in light of the Client's investment objectives, recent investment activity and consideration as to whether changes should be made to the Client's portfolio.

Following the end of each fiscal year, Investment Funds provide audited financial statements with respect to their investments, including certain tax reporting information. In addition, a Client will be provided with unaudited performance and other written information on a monthly or quarterly basis. Edgehill provides additional information with respect to portfolio holdings and account activity as is agreed upon by Edgehill and the Client. Edgehill will conduct additional account reviews as needed based on significant changes in market conditions and valuations, changing Client circumstances or other reasons.

The Managing Partner, Partner and other key Firm personnel will meet with the investment committee or board of the Client at least two times per year.

Fund administration services are available through independent third parties. In all cases, Clients pay for such services. In certain instances, Edgehill enters into master contracts with these third-party providers. Edgehill monitors the activities of such third-party providers to ensure the accuracy of their reporting.

#### **ITEM 14. CLIENT REFERRALS AND OTHER COMPENSATION**

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Edgehill has not entered into any arrangement requiring compensatory payments for Client referrals, including with any related person, and it does not anticipate entering into such arrangement(s) in the future.

## ITEM 15. CUSTODY

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Edgehill will not be deemed to have custody of Client assets. With respect to cash, separately-managed accounts, and any other assets that require custody, it is expected that the Client will employ a qualified financial institution to act as custodian for such assets, and such custodian is responsible to provide account statements not less than quarterly. Such statements will list the account positions, activity in the account during the covered period, and other related information. A Client should carefully review statements it receives from its custodian and compare such official statements with those provided by Edgehill and the Fund Administrator. The statements provided by the Fund Administrator may vary from custodial statements based on accounting procedures, reporting dates, or valuation methodologies of certain securities.

## ITEM 16. INVESTMENT DISCRETION

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Edgehill offers investment advisory services on a discretionary or non-discretionary basis pursuant to the terms of an investment management agreement entered into by and between the Client and Edgehill. Pursuant to discretionary agreement(s), a Client has the ability to impose restrictions on particular investments or investment strategies.

Through relevant Investment Management Agreements and other governing documents, a Client would retain Edgehill to select investment options and other assets for its account, consistent with established investment objectives, guidelines and restrictions. For discretionary agreements, Edgehill will generally have authority to make the following determinations on behalf of each Client account (or to utilize an investment option to make such determinations):

- which securities or assets to buy or sell;
- the total amount of securities or assets to buy or sell;
- the prices at which securities or assets are to be bought or sold;
- the broker or dealer through which transactions are executed and
- where applicable, commission rates or other charges (*e.g.*, dealer spreads or markups/mark-downs and other transaction costs) for such transactions.

A Client may limit Edgehill's discretionary authority under certain circumstances. Edgehill's ability to exercise discretionary authority is limited by the Client's investment objectives, guidelines and restrictions and relevant provisions of the applicable Investment Management Agreement.

## ITEM 17. VOTING CLIENT SECURITIES

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The Firm has a Policy on Proxy Voting that clarifies who is responsible for voting proxies and that Edgehill is committed to its fiduciary obligation to a Client.

For investments with an Investment Manager that utilizes an institutional commingled vehicle, Edgehill does not have the discretion to vote proxies and it relies on the Investment Manager to vote in the best interest of the fund and its investors. For separate account structures, Edgehill generally delegates voting discretion to the Investment Manager. In certain circumstances where Edgehill has the discretion to vote proxies, the voting will be handled by a senior investment professional at the Firm.

A copy of Edgehill's written policy with respect to Proxy Voting is available upon request. A Client may also request information on how Edgehill voted its securities.

## ITEM 18. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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Registered investment advisers are required in this Item to provide you with certain financial information or disclosures about their financial condition. Edgehill does not require or solicit prepayment of fees six months or more in advance, so it is not required to include a balance sheet for the most recent year. Edgehill Endowment Partners has no financial commitments that impair its ability to meet contractual and fiduciary commitments to a Client. Edgehill has not been the subject of any bankruptcy petition at any time during the last ten years.