

# TARGET MARKET DETERMINATION

FIRST SENTIER EQUITY INCOME FUND



## INSTRUCTIONS

This Target Market Determination (TMD) is required under section 994B of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) (the Act). This TMD describes the class of consumers that comprises the target market for the financial product and matters relevant to the product's distribution and review (specifically, distribution conditions, review triggers and periods, and reporting requirements). Distributors must take reasonable steps that will, or are reasonably likely to, result in distribution of the product being consistent with the most recent TMD (unless the distribution is excluded conduct).

This document is not a product disclosure statement (PDS) and is not a complete summary of the product features or terms of the product. This document does not take into account any person's individual objectives, financial situation or needs. Persons interested in acquiring this product should carefully read the PDS for the product before making a decision whether to buy this product.

Important terms used in this TMD are defined in the TMD Definitions which supplement this document.

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## TARGET MARKET SUMMARY

This product is likely to be appropriate for a consumer seeking income and capital growth to be used as a core component within a portfolio where the consumer has a minimum 7 year investment timeframe, a high to very high risk/return profile and daily access to capital.

## FUND AND ISSUER IDENTIFIERS

Issuer	The Trust Company (RE Services) Limited
Issuer ABN	45003278831
Issuer AFSL	235150
Investment Manager	First Sentier Investors (Australia) IM Ltd
TMD Contact Details	DDO@perpetual.com.au
Fund Name	First Sentier Equity Income Fund
ARSN	168563808
APIR Code	FSF1676AU
ISIN	AU60FSF16763
Market Identifier Code	N/A
Product Exchange Code	N/A
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TMD Version	4
Distribution status of fund	Current

## DESCRIPTION OF TARGET MARKET

### TMD INDICATOR KEY

The Consumer Attributes for which the product is likely to be appropriate have been assessed using a red and green rating methodology:

In target market	Not in target market
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In the tables below, Column 1, Consumer Attributes, indicates a description of the likely objectives, financial situation and needs of the class of consumers that are considering this product. Column 2, TMD indicator, indicates whether a consumer meeting the Attribute in column 1 is likely to be in the target market for this product.

### APPROPRIATENESS

The Investment Manager has assessed the product and formed the view that the product, including its key attributes, is likely to be consistent with the likely objectives, financial situation and needs of consumers in the target market, as the features of this product in Column 3 of the table below are likely to be suitable for consumers with the attributes identified with a green TMD Indicator in Column 2.

### INVESTMENT PRODUCTS AND DIVERSIFICATION

A consumer (or class of consumer) may intend to hold a product as part of a diversified portfolio (for example, with an intended product use of minor allocation). In such circumstances, the product should be assessed against the consumer's attributes for the relevant portion of the portfolio, rather than the consumer's portfolio as a whole. For example, a consumer may seek to construct a balanced or moderate diversified portfolio with a minor allocation to growth assets. In this case, a product with a High risk/return profile may be consistent with the consumer's objectives for that minor allocation notwithstanding that the risk/return profile of the consumer as a whole is Medium. In making this assessment, distributors should consider all features of a product (including its key attributes). The FSC has provided more detailed guidance on how to take this portfolio view for diversification, available on the FSC website.



Consumer Attributes	TMD indicator	Product description including key attributes
Consumer's investment objective		
Capital growth		The Fund aims to provide total return comprised of regular income, franking credits and some capital growth from Australian shares over the long term, delivered with consistently lower volatility than the S&P/ASX 100 Accumulation Index. This Fund is suitable for investors seeking long term income and reduced volatility from Australian shares. The Fund intends to pay income distributions quarterly. There is no guarantee that the Fund will be able to pay income in the future in any particular distribution period and the level of any income may vary from one distribution period to the next.
Capital preservation		
Income distribution		
Consumer's intended product use (% of Investable Assets)		
Solution/standalone (Upto 100%)		Australian equities: 60%- 100% Cash: 0%-40% The Fund may be up to a core component and uses equity options to modify the return profile of its Australian share holdings.
Major allocation (Upto 75%)		
Core component (Upto 50%)		
Minor allocation (Upto 25%)		
Satellite allocation (Upto 10%)		
Consumer's investment timeframe		
Minimum investment timeframe	7 year(s)	The minimum suggested timeframe for holding investments in the Fund is 7 years. Generally, the risk level associated with the Fund is greater if the Fund is held for a period less than the minimum suggested timeframe.
Consumer's risk (ability to bear loss) and return profile		
Low		The Fund aims to deliver risk adjusted returns that exceed the S&P/ASX 100 Accumulation Index (before fees and taxes) over a full market cycle. The Fund is suitable for consumers who have a high to very high risk-return profile and - want long term growth in the value of their investment but can accept higher potential losses especially in the short term - are comfortable with the risks above and the specific risks set out in the PDS.
Medium		
High		
Very high		
Extremely high		
Consumer's need to access capital		
Within one week of request		Under normal circumstances, investors can make daily withdrawal requests from the Fund by providing a withdrawal form to the Registry by 12:00pm (Sydney time) on any Business Day. Withdrawal requests accepted by the Registry will be processed using that day's unit price. Payment of the withdrawal proceeds is normally less than 7 Business Days. However, withdrawal payments may be delayed and the payment of a large withdrawal may be staggered.
Within one month of request		
Within three months of request		
Within 1 year of request		
Within 5 years of request		
Within 10 years of request		
10 years or more		

## DISTRIBUTION CONDITIONS / RESTRICTIONS

Distribution Condition	Applicable	Distribution Condition Rationale
Only suitable for distribution to consumers who have received personal advice.		N/A
Only suitable for distribution through the following specified distributors or distribution channels (if any): N/A		N/A
Other		<p>This product can only be offered or issued in accordance with the relevant product terms and conditions outlined in the PDS. The product is available to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- direct applicants via an online application process or application form that requests information regarding the applicant's consumer attributes; and</li> <li>- persons investing through an investor directed portfolio service (IDPS), IDPS-like scheme, nominee or custody service, financial adviser or any other trading platform authorised by the Responsible Entity.</li> </ul> <p>Together, these conditions are designed to facilitate the product being made available to retail clients via:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- intermediaries who are required to take reasonable steps likely to result in retail product distribution conduct being consistent with this TMD; or</li> <li>- channels that enable an assessment of whether any retail clients fall within the target market.</li> </ul>

## REVIEW PROCESSES

### REVIEW TRIGGERS

- Material change to key attributes, fund investment objective and/or fees.
- Material deviation from benchmark / objective over sustained period.
- Key attributes have not performed as disclosed by a material degree and for a material period.
- Determination by the issuer of an ASIC reportable Significant Dealing.
- Material or unexpectedly high number of complaints (as defined in section 994A(1) of the Act) about the product or distribution of the product.
- The use of Product Intervention Powers, regulator orders or directions that affects the product.

### MANDATORY REVIEW PERIODS

Review period	Maximum period for review
Initial review	N/A
Subsequent review	36 month(s)

## DISTRIBUTOR REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

If practicable, Distributors should adopt the FSC data standards for reports and provide them via email to the Issuer at DDO@perpetual.com.au and to the Investment Manager at DDOenquiries@firstsentier.com.

Reporting Requirement	Reporting Period	Applicability
Complaints (as defined in section 994A(1) of the Act) relating to the product. The distributor should provide all the content of the complaint, having regard to privacy.	Reports are to be sent quarterly, within 10 business days of the period end.	Y

Significant dealing outside of target market, under s994F(6) of the Act. See definitions for further details.	As soon as practicable but no later than 10 business days after distributor becomes aware of the significant dealing.	Y
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## DISCLAIMER

This Target Market Determination (TMD) has been produced by the Issuer identified in this document solely for the purpose of meeting the requirements under section 994B of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth). This TMD sets out the class of consumers for which this product, including its key attributes, would likely be consistent with their likely objectives, financial situation and needs. It also outlines the distribution conditions and restrictions imposed on distribution of the product, as well as reporting requirements for distributors. The Issuer has elected to adopt the TMD template established through the Financial Services Council (FSC). If you have any queries regarding the contents of the TMD or would like to request a copy of a prior version, please contact the Issuer on 02 9229 9000 or DDO@perpetual.com.au or contact the Investment Manager on 02 9010 5200. This document is not a Product Disclosure Statement and does not provide a full summary of the product features or terms of the product. This TMD is not to be used except for the purpose of a regulated person complying with their obligations under Part 7.8A of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth). To the extent permitted by law, no liability is accepted for any loss or damage as a result of any reliance on this information. This document is not intended to provide you with financial advice or take into account your objectives, financial situation or needs. You should consider whether the information is suitable for your circumstances. Before making any investment decision in respect of the product, you should consider obtaining financial advice. The Product Disclosure Statement (PDS) for the product should be considered before deciding whether to acquire, or to continue to hold, the product. The PDS can be obtained by visiting [here](#) or contacting the Investment Manager on 02 9010 5200.

## DEFINITIONS

### Consumer's investment objective

<b>Capital Growth</b>	The consumer seeks to invest in a product designed or expected to generate capital return over the investment timeframe. The consumer prefers exposure to growth assets (such as shares or property) or otherwise seeks an investment return above the current inflation rate.
<b>Capital Preservation</b>	The consumer seeks to invest in a product designed or expected to have low volatility and minimise capital loss. The consumer prefers exposure to defensive assets that are generally lower in risk and less volatile than growth investments (this may include cash or fixed income securities).
<b>Income Distribution</b>	The consumer seeks to invest in a product designed or expected to distribute regular and/or tax-effective income. The consumer prefers exposure to income-generating assets (this may include high dividend-yielding equities, fixed income securities and money market instruments).

### Consumer's intended product use (% of Investable Assets)

<b>Solution/Standalone (up to 100%)</b>	The consumer may hold the investment as up to 100% of their total investable assets. The consumer is likely to seek a product with very high portfolio diversification.
<b>Major allocation (up to 75%)</b>	The consumer may hold the investment as up to 75% of their total investable assets. The consumer is likely to seek a product with at least high portfolio diversification.
<b>Core Component (up to 50%)</b>	The consumer may hold the investment as up to 50% of their total investable assets. The consumer is likely to seek a product with at least medium portfolio diversification.
<b>Minor allocation (up to 25%)</b>	The consumer may hold the investment as up to 25% of their total investable assets. The consumer is likely to seek a product with at least low portfolio diversification.
<b>Satellite allocation (up to 10%)</b>	The consumer may hold the investment as up to 10% of the total investable assets. The consumer may seek a product with very low portfolio diversification. Products classified as extremely high risk are likely to meet this category only.
<b>Investable Assets</b>	Those assets that the investor has available for investment, excluding the residential home.

### Portfolio diversification

<b>Very low</b>	The product provides exposure to a single asset (for example, a commercial property) or a niche asset class (for example, minor commodities, crypto-assets or collectibles).
<b>Low</b>	

	The product provides exposure to a small number of holdings (for example, fewer than 25 securities) or a narrow asset class, sector or geographic market (for example, a single major commodity (e.g. gold) or equities from a single emerging market economy).
<b>Medium</b>	The product provides exposure to a moderate number of holdings (for example, up to 50 securities) in at least one broad asset class, sector or geographic market (for example, Australian fixed income securities or global natural resources).
<b>High</b>	The product provides exposure to a large number of holdings (for example, over 50 securities) in multiple broad asset classes, sectors or geographic markets (for example, global equities).
<b>Very high</b>	The product provides exposure to a large number of holdings across a broad range of asset classes, sectors and geographic markets with limited correlation to each other.

#### Consumer's intended investment timeframe

<b>Minimum</b>	The minimum suggested timeframe for holding the product. Typically, this is the rolling period over which the investment objective of the product is likely to be achieved.
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#### Consumer's Risk (ability to bear loss) and Return profile

This TMD uses the Standard Risk Measure (SRM) to estimate the likely number of negative annual returns for this product over a 20 year period, using the guidance and methodology outlined in the Standard Risk Measure Guidance Paper For Trustees (note the bands in the SRM guidance differ from the bands used in this TMD). However, SRM is not a complete assessment of risk and potential loss. For example, it does not detail important issues such as the potential size of a negative return (including under conditions of market stress) or that a positive return could still be less than a consumer requires to meet their investment objectives/needs. The SRM methodology may be supplemented by other risk factors. For example, some products may use leverage, derivatives or short selling; may have liquidity or withdrawal limitations; may have underlying investments with valuation risks or risks of capital loss; or otherwise may have a complex structure or increased investment risks, which should be documented together with the SRM to substantiate the product risk rating. A consumer's desired product return profile would generally take into account the impact of fees, costs and taxes.

<b>Low</b>	<p>For the relevant part of the consumer's portfolio, the consumer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• has a conservative or low risk appetite,</li> <li>• seeks to minimise volatility and potential losses (e.g. has the ability to bear up to 1 negative return over a 20 year period (SRM 1 to 2)), and</li> <li>• is comfortable with a low target return profile.</li> </ul> <p>The consumer typically prefers stable, defensive assets (such as cash).</p>
<b>Medium</b>	<p>For the relevant part of the consumer's portfolio, the consumer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• has a moderate or medium risk appetite,</li> <li>• seeks low volatility and potential losses (e.g. has the ability to bear up to 4 negative returns over a 20 year period (SRM 3 to 5)), and</li> <li>• is comfortable with a moderate target return profile.</li> </ul> <p>The consumer typically prefers defensive assets (for example, fixed income).</p>
<b>High</b>	<p>For the relevant part of the consumer's portfolio, the consumer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• has a high risk appetite,</li> <li>• can accept high volatility and potential losses (e.g. has the ability to bear up to 6 negative returns over a 20 year period (SRM 5 or 6)), and</li> <li>• seeks high returns (typically over a medium or long timeframe).</li> </ul> <p>The consumer typically prefers growth assets (for example, shares and property).</p>
<b>Very high</b>	<p>For the relevant part of the consumer's portfolio, the consumer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• has a very high risk appetite,</li> <li>• can accept very high volatility and potential losses (e.g. has the ability to bear 6 to 7 negative returns over a 20 year period (SRM 6 or 7)), and</li> <li>• seeks to maximise returns (typically over a medium or long timeframe).</li> </ul> <p>The consumer typically prefers high growth assets (such as high conviction portfolios, hedge funds, and alternative investments).</p>
<b>Extremely high</b>	<p>For the relevant part of the consumer's portfolio, the consumer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• has an extremely high risk appetite,</li> <li>• can accept significant volatility and losses, and</li> </ul>

- seeks to obtain accelerated returns (potentially in a short timeframe).  
The consumer seeks extremely high risk, speculative or complex products which may have features such as significant use of derivatives, leverage or short positions or may be in emerging or niche asset classes (for example, crypto-assets or collectibles).

### Consumer's need to access capital

This consumer attribute addresses the likely period of time between the making of a request for redemption/withdrawal (or access to investment proceeds more generally) and the receipt of proceeds from this request under ordinary circumstances. Issuers should consider both the frequency for accepting the request and the length of time to accept, process and distribute the proceeds of such a request. To the extent that the liquidity of the underlying investments or possible liquidity constraints (e.g. ability to stagger or delay redemptions) could impact this, this is to be taken into consideration in aligning the product to the consumer's need to access capital. Where a product is held on investment platforms, distributors also need to factor in the length of time platforms take to process requests for redemption for underlying investments. Where access to investment proceeds from the product is likely to occur through a secondary market, the liquidity of the market for the product should be considered.

### Distributor Reporting

#### Significant dealings

Section 994F(6) of the Act requires distributors to notify the issuer if they become aware of a significant dealing in the product that is not consistent with the TMD. Neither the Act nor ASIC defines when a dealing is 'significant' and distributors have discretion to apply its ordinary meaning. The issuer will rely on notifications of significant dealings to monitor and review the product, this TMD, and its distribution strategy, and to meet its own obligation to report significant dealings to ASIC. Dealings outside this TMD may be significant because:

- they represent a material proportion of the overall distribution conduct carried out by the distributor in relation to the product, or
- they constitute an individual transaction which has resulted in, or will or is likely to result in, significant detriment to the consumer (or class of consumer).

In each case, the distributor should have regard to:

- the nature and risk profile of the product (which may be indicated by the product's risk rating or withdrawal timeframes),
- the actual or potential harm to a consumer (which may be indicated by the value of the consumer's investment, their intended product use or their ability to bear loss), and
- the nature and extent of the inconsistency of distribution with the TMD (which may be indicated by the number of red and/or amber ratings attributed to the consumer).

Objectively, a distributor may consider a dealing (or group of dealings) outside the TMD to be significant if:

- it constitutes more than half of the distributor's total retail product distribution conduct in relation to the product over the quarter,
- the consumer's intended product use is solution/standalone,
- the consumer's intended product use is core component or higher and the consumer's risk/return profile is low, or
- the relevant product has a green rating for consumers seeking extremely high risk/return.