

Request for Proposals – Questions and Answers US High Yield Bonds Investment Management Services

1. Would IPOPIF consider Global (Developed Markets) High Yield strategies?

This search is focused on US High Yield bonds benchmarked to the Bloomberg US Corporate High Yield index or a similar US index. Global products will not be considered.

2. Your IPS details your minority brokerage goal for this mandate is 20%, but best execution is required. MWDBE availability for HY FI has historically been lower. How is this viewed?

The 20% Minority Broker utilization goal is not an absolute requirement. Proposal evaluation will include comparison of minority broker efforts and results.

3. When is the due date of the Cover Letter?

Cover letter should be part of your final proposal submission due on September 12, 2025.

4. We are working on Exhibit 1- Request for Information spreadsheet for IPOPIF (High Yield strategy) and were hoping to get a few additional details. Would you be able to clarify what you mean by 'Leveraged Finance Platform AUM' and 'High Yield Platform AUM.'?

'Leverage Finance Platform AUM' is referring to firm's total credit assets under management, including, but not limited to; High Yield, Bank Loans, EMD, CLOs, etc.

'High Yield Platform AUM' is referring to firm's total composite high yield strategies assets under management.

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