

GASB 45 Actuarial Service Providers

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Alliance Benefit Group of Indiana

Alliance Benefit Group (ABG) of Indiana, the retirement division of the Nyhart Company, is a 65 year old company specializing in actuarial services and retirement plans. We currently provide GASB 45 actuarial services to clients in 18 states servicing both small and large municipalities. Our clients include five state capitals, a state plan, and multiple entities including cities, towns, counties, utilities, and school systems. Nationally, we rank as one of the largest actuarial firms providing GASB 45 services. Out of a total actuarial staff of 25 actuaries, ABG will have a team of four actuaries dedicated to Iowa. Randy Gomez FSA, MAAA, EA, will be the primary actuary assigned to Iowa. Joe Polley, ASA, will be Randy's primary backup. You can also contact Alliance Benefit Group of Indiana on our toll free line is 800.428.7106. Our website address is www.abgindiana.com.

We look forward to serving municipalities throughout Iowa, and we also believe that you will find our services collaborative and educational. We pride ourselves on our ability to take a very complex subject and reduce the issues to a simple nature.

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Silverstone Group

Silverstone Group is an employee-owned consulting and risk management firm with offices in Council Bluffs, Lincoln, Omaha, and Sioux Falls. The actuaries of Silverstone Group have the qualifications and experience to address the financial reporting requirements of GASB 45. In addition to providing the essential information to satisfy these reporting requirements for your Other Postemployment Benefit (OPEB) plans, we are able to provide advice and guidance regarding benefit plan design and to discuss the favorable implications of pre-funding.

OPEB financial reporting has been a mainstay of our actuarial practice for over 15 years. Beginning in 1992 with reporting for corporations, we expanded our practice in 2006 to serve the needs of those reporting to satisfy GASB 45. We have completed GASB 45 valuations in Iowa and the surrounding states.

To discuss a course of action and to make plans to complete a GASB 45 valuation, please contact Donn Jones, as indicated below:

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J. Robert Hopson, Inc.

J. Robert Hopson, Inc. is a chapter "C" organization. It was started in 1984 to provide actuarial services to public plans. James Robert Hopson is the owner. Other services required by the corporation are retained on a fee basis as needed.

J. Robert Hopson has been providing actuarial services to both public and private organizations since 1974. He started assisting the Chief Actuary at Equitable of Iowa in 1963. While Bob served Equitable as Vice President and Chief Actuary, he provided actuarial services for minimal fees to public pension plans and a number of police and fire Chapter 411 plans.

Bob retired from corporate life in September 2001 as Senior Vice President and Chief Actuary of MetLife Investors but has continued to provide consulting services to date. Many of his Chapter 509A clients now require actuarial services to meet GASB 45 requirements.

Bob's office work is conducted directly from home and completed on his home-based computers. All information is backed up on a weekly basis.

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