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Sacramento Metro Fire District 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan Participation Agreement Memorandum of Understanding For Enrollment in the Self-Directed Brokerage Option

We're pleased to offer the Schwab Self-Directed Brokerage Option® (SDO)—a self-directed brokerage account available through the Sacramento Metro Fire District Deferred Compensation Plan.

Schwab's Personal Choice Retirement Account (PCRA) is a self-directed brokerage option designed to integrate into your Employer's Deferred Compensation Plan and supplement that Plan's core fund menu. It provides a wealth of expanded investment choices for participants who seek more flexibility, increased diversification and a greater role in managing their retirement savings.

Please Note:
Your Employer's Deferred Compensation Plan may limit the types of investments offered through your SDO. Please contact the Nationwide Customer Service Center for a detailed listing of the types of investments in the Schwab SDO Option.

How do I enroll in a SDO?

If you decide that a SDO is the right choice for you, you must complete and sign the attached Self-Directed Brokerage Option Memorandum of Understanding. This form is used to open your account with Schwab. The completed and signed form must then be returned to Nationwide Retirement Solutions (NRS) via USPS mail or fax for establishing your SDO

About 10 days after you send in your forms, you will receive a Schwab SDO Welcome Kit containing your SDO number and other information that will help you make more informed investment decisions in your account.

Once this kit is received, you will need to visit the following website to establish the ability to trade in your SDO account. www.schwab.com/PCRAopen.

Username: 0037972
Password: 1234
SSN: This is required to confirm your account number is established.

You will need to complete a Limited Power of Attorney (LPOA) Form to give you the authority to place trade orders in your Schwab PCRA. If you do not wish to establish your Limited Power of Attorney (LPOA) online with Schwab you may call their customer service line 1-888-393-PCRA (7272) and they will assist you in completing their necessary paperwork to establish the ability to trade in your SDO account.

Please keep a copy of this page for your records

Contact Information

* Please note : You must move all assets into the Schwab Money Market before requesting transfer back to Core.

Contact checklist

If you want to:	Charles Schwab & Co., Inc. (888) 393-PCRA (7272) www.schwab.com	Nationwide Retirement Solutions (877) 677-3678 www.nrsforu.com
Open a SDO Account		√
Make transfers between the SDO and core account(s)*		√
Make transfers within the core account(s)		√
Place trades within your SDO	√	
Obtain your SDO balance	√	√
Obtain your entire plan balance (core investments plus SDO)**		√
Obtain SDO investment information	√	
Request a loan or withdrawal		√
Ask retirement plan questions		√
Take advantage of additional Schwab services	√	
Close out my PCRA and transfer all assets to my Sac Metro Fire District 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan core account*	√	√

**Information about your SDO will be current as the most recent New York Stock Exchange closing.



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 Brokerage Option® (SDO)**



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SECTION I-Participant Information

Last Name, First Name, MI		Social Security Number (SSN)
Mailing Address		Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)
City, State, ZIP Code	Daytime Telephone Number ()	Employer

SECTION II-Memorandum of Understanding

The purpose of this memorandum is to ensure you understand and agree to the major requirements and provisions associated with the self-directed brokerage options (SDO) offered by your Deferred Compensation Plan (“Plan”). It does not cover all of the details of the SDBA, and you are encouraged to read the brochures, which are available upon request before you enroll in the SDBA.

Core Account: Deferred Compensation Plan account administered by Nationwide Retirement Solutions (Nationwide)

SDBA Account: Investment account with Charles Schwab & Co., Inc. with Self-Directed Investment Choices

1. I am eligible to enroll in the SDBA if my account is \$100.00 or more. I acknowledge and agree that \$100.00 is the minimum total account value that I am required to maintain in core funds as a condition of my participation in the SDBA. This may be adjusted and/or increased or reduced by my employer.
2. Once I have established an account, I can only invest in the SDBA as an exchange from my core account.
3. a) Exchanges into the SDBA and/or back to the core account will result in the transferred assets being “out of the market” (not invested) for a one-day period.
 b) Exchanges requested from the core account into the SDBA by 4:00 p.m Eastern Time on normal business days require two business days to process.
 c) Exchanges requested from the SDBA into the core account by 4:00 pm Eastern Time on normal business days require three business days to process.
4. Exchanges from the core account into the SDBA are first deposited into a money market sweep account. Once the dollars are deposited into this account, I can trade among the options available in the SDBA by contacting the brokerage option provider. To transfer assets from the SDBA back to the core account I must first liquidate investments in the SDBA and transfer them to the money market sweep account before the trade back to the core account can be processed.

5. Once an SDBA account has been established, I must contact the SDBA provider directly to place trades. There may be transaction fees, front and back end loads, sales charges, etc., assessed to my account invested in the SDBA, and it is my responsibility to be aware of and understand these fees and charges.
6. An annual fee not to exceed \$25 will be assessed. The Plan may change this fee from time to time. I understand that the Plan may establish additional fees for participation in the SDBA that may be assessed to my account(s) in the future should there be costs associated with administration of the SDBA.
7. Quarterly statements from Nationwide will show the total amount invested in the SDBA as one aggregate total. I will receive separate statements from the SDBA provider that itemize my transactions and account balances in the SDBA.
8. The account balance invested in the SDBA continues to be subject to the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code. Dollars cannot be transferred or distributed directly from the SDBA. To transfer to another plan or receive a distribution, I must transfer assets from the SDBA back to my core account.
9. If I begin a periodic distribution from my account, I must maintain a minimum balance in the core account that is equal to (or greater than) the sum of all payments scheduled to be made to me during a thirteen-month period, plus the \$100.00 minimum core balance. If I fail to maintain this balance, Nationwide is authorized to stop my distribution payments.
10. The Plan has selected the brokerage provider to offer additional investment options for investment of my account balance. The Plan and Nationwide are not responsible for monitoring or evaluating the investment options that are made available through the SDBA. I understand that it is my responsibility to determine if the investment options available in the SDBA are suitable for my personal retirement savings plan.

SECTION III-Participant Certification

My signature on this form acknowledges that I have read, understand and agree to the SDO participation requirements above. I recognize that there may be changes to these requirements in the future. I will be notified of any major changes, and it is my responsibility to read and be aware of these. I have been provided and read the applicable brochures, which are available upon request regarding the SDO and understand this information.

SSN:

Signed:

Date:

**Return completed form to:
Nationwide Retirement Solutions:
P.O. Box 182797
Columbus, Ohio 43216-2797
Toll Free: 1-877-616-6565
Fax Number: 1-877-677-4329**