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July 11, 2005

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PIONEER MUNICIPAL HIGH INCOME TRUST  
PIONEER MUNICIPAL HIGH INCOME ADVANTAGE TRUST  
PIONEER TAX ADVANTAGED BALANCED TRUST  
60 State Street  
Boston, Massachusetts 02109  
1-800-622-3265

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS  
SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 16, 2005

This is the formal agenda for your fund's annual shareholder meeting. It tells you the matters you will be asked to vote on and the time and place of the meeting, in case you want to attend in person.

To the shareholders of Pioneer High Income Trust, Pioneer Municipal High Income Trust, Pioneer Municipal High Income Advantage Trust and Pioneer Tax Advantaged Balanced Trust:

The annual meeting of shareholders of each of the above registered investment management companies (collectively, the "funds") will be held at the offices of Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP, 60 State Street, 26th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts on August 16, 2005 at 2:00 p.m., Boston time, to consider the following:

1. To elect three Trustees of your fund, as named in the attached proxy statement, each by the holders of Common and Preferred Shares of your fund, voting together as a single class. Each elected Trustee will serve for a three year term or until a successor is elected.
2. To consider any other business that may properly come before the meeting.

Each fund will hold a separate meeting. Shareholders of each fund will vote separately.

YOUR TRUSTEES RECOMMEND THAT YOU VOTE IN FAVOR OF PROPOSAL NO 1.

Shareholders of record as of the close of business on June 21, 2005 are entitled to vote at the meeting and any related follow-up meetings.

By Order of each Board of Trustees,

Dorothy E. Bourassa, Secretary

Boston, Massachusetts  
July 11, 2005

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WHETHER OR NOT YOU EXPECT TO ATTEND THE MEETING, PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THE  
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PROXY STATEMENT OF  
PIONEER HIGH INCOME TRUST  
PIONEER MUNICIPAL HIGH INCOME TRUST

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## ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

This proxy statement contains the information you should know before voting on the proposal summarized below.

Each fund will furnish without charge a copy of its most recent annual report and any more recent semi-annual report to any shareholder upon request. Shareholders who want to obtain a copy of a fund's reports should direct all written requests to the attention of the fund, at the address listed above, or should call Pioneer Investment Management Shareholder Services at 1-800-622-3265.

## INTRODUCTION

This proxy statement is being used by the Board of Trustees of each fund to solicit proxies to be voted at the annual meeting of shareholders of each of the funds referenced above. Participating in the meeting are holders of common shares of beneficial interest (the "Common Shares") and the holders of preferred shares of beneficial interest (the "Preferred Shares") of each fund. The Common Shares and the Preferred Shares of each fund sometimes are referred to herein collectively as the "Shares". Each meeting will be held at the offices of Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP, 60 State Street, 26th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02109, at 2:00 p.m., Boston time, on August 16, 2005, and at any adjournments of a meeting to a later date, for the purposes as set forth in the accompanying notice of annual meeting of shareholders.

This proxy statement and the enclosed proxy card are being mailed to shareholders of each fund on or about July 11, 2005. The annual report for each fund for its most recently completed fiscal year was previously mailed to shareholders.

## WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO VOTE

Shareholders of record of each fund as of the close of business on June 21, 2005 (the "record date") are entitled to vote on all of the fund's business at the annual shareholder meeting and any adjournments thereof. The affirmative vote of a plurality of the Common and Preferred Shares of each fund present at the meeting in person or by proxy, voting together as a single class, is required to elect each nominee for Trustee designated to be elected by the Common and Preferred Shares of each fund. Election by

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plurality means those persons who receive the highest number of votes cast "FOR" up to the total number of persons to be elected as Trustees at the Meeting shall be elected. Shares represented by properly executed proxies, unless revoked before or at the meeting, will be voted according to the shareholder's instructions. If you sign a proxy but do not fill in a vote, your shares will be voted in favor of each of the nominees for Trustee. If any other business comes before the annual shareholder meeting, your shares will be voted at the discretion of the persons named as proxies.

Each fund will vote separately on each item. Votes of multiple funds will not be aggregated.

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## PROPOSAL 1

### ELECTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Shareholders of each fund are being asked to consider the election of three nominees to the Board of Trustees of each fund. All of the nominees for election to each fund's Board currently serve as Trustees for the fund and have served in that capacity continuously since originally elected or appointed. Each Trustee shall be elected to hold office for a three year term or until his or her successor is elected and qualified. Each nominee has consented to being named in this proxy statement and indicated his or her willingness to serve if elected. In the unanticipated event that any nominee should be unable to serve, the persons named as proxies may vote for such other person as shall be designated by the fund's Board of Trustees. The persons named on the accompanying proxy card intend to vote at the meeting (unless otherwise directed) for the election of the nominees named below as Trustees of each fund.

The Declaration of Trust for each fund provides that the Board of Trustees shall consist of Trustees divided into three classes, the classes to be as nearly equal in number as possible. The Trustees of only one class are elected at each annual meeting so that the regular term of only one class of Trustees will expire annually and any particular Trustee stands for election only once in each three year period. Each fund's Board of Trustees is divided into three staggered term classes -- Class I, Class II and Class III. Class I Trustees are being submitted to shareholders for election at the meeting for Pioneer Tax Advantaged Balanced Trust. Class II Trustees are being submitted to shareholders for election at the Meeting for Pioneer Municipal High Income Trust and Pioneer Municipal High Income Advantage Trust. Class III Trustees are being submitted to shareholders for election at the Meeting for Pioneer High Income Trust.

Each fund's Board of Trustees consists of eight members.

#### Pioneer High Income Trust

The terms of the Class I Trustees -- Ms. Bush and Ms. Piret -- will expire in 2006; the terms of the Class II Trustees -- Mr. Cogan, Mr. Bock and Mr. West -- expire in 2007; and the terms of the Class III Trustees -- Ms. Graham, Mr. Hood and Mr. Winthrop -- expire at the upcoming 2005 annual meeting.

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#### Pioneer Municipal High Income Trust and Pioneer Municipal High Income Advantage Trust

The terms of the Class I Trustees for Pioneer Municipal High Income Trust and Pioneer Municipal High Income Advantage Trust -- Mr. Cogan, Mr. Bock and Mr. West -- expire in 2007; the terms of the Class II Trustees -- Ms. Graham, Mr. Hood and Mr. Winthrop -- expire at the upcoming 2005 annual meeting; and the terms of the Class III Trustees -- Ms. Bush and Ms. Piret -- expire in 2006.

#### Pioneer Tax Advantaged Balanced Trust

The terms of the Class I Trustees -- Ms. Graham, Mr. Hood and Mr. Winthrop -- will expire at the first annual meeting following the initial public offering of the common shares (the upcoming meeting); the terms of the Class II Trustees -- Ms. Bush and Ms. Piret -- will expire in 2006; and the terms of the Class III Trustees -- Mr. Cogan, Mr. Bock and Mr. West -- expire

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in 2007.

Subsequently, for each fund, each class of Trustees will stand for election at the conclusion of its respective three year term. Such classification may prevent replacement of a majority of the Trustees for up to a two-year period. Mr. Cogan and Ms. Piret have been designated as the Trustees to be elected by the holders of the Preferred Shares of each fund.

The following table sets forth the incumbent Trustees and each Trustee's position(s) with each fund, his or her age, address, principal occupation and employment during the past five years and any other directorship held. Trustees who are interested persons of a fund within the meaning of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "1940 Act") are referred to as Interested Trustees. Trustees who are not interested persons of a fund are referred to as Independent Trustees. Each of the Trustees serves as a Trustee of each of the 81 U.S. registered investment portfolios for which Pioneer Investment Management, Inc. ("Pioneer") serves as investment adviser (the "Pioneer Funds"). The address of all Interested Trustees is 60 State Street, Boston, MA 02109.

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| Name, Age and Address       | Position(s) Held With the Fund               | Term of Office and Length of Service   | Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years  | Other Directors Held by Trustee or Nominee  |
|-----------------------------|--|--|---|---|
| Interested Trustees:        |  |  |   |   |
| John F. Cogan, Jr.<br>(79)* | Chairman of the Board, Trustee and President | High Income Trust: Class II Trustee since 2002. Term expires in 2007. Elected by Preferred Shares only. Municipal High Income Trust: Class I Trustee since 2003. Term expires in 2007. Elected by Preferred Shares only. Municipal High Income Advantage Trust: Class I Trustee since 2003. Term expires in 2007. Elected by Preferred Shares only. Tax Advantaged | Deputy Chairman and a Director of Pioneer Global Asset Management S.p.A. ("PGAM"); Non-Executive Chairman and a Director of Pioneer Investment Management USA Inc. ("PIM-USA"); Chairman and a Director of Pioneer; Director of Pioneer Alternative Investment Management Limited (Dublin); President and a Director of Pioneer Alternative Investment Management (Bermuda) Limited and affiliated funds; President and Director of Pioneer Funds Distributor, Inc.; President of all of the Pioneer Funds; and Of Counsel (since 2000, partner prior to 2000), Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP (counsel to PIM-USA | Chairman and Director of Mutual Insurance Company; Director of Harbor Global Company, Ltd |

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Balanced Trust: and the Pioneer Funds)  
 Class III Trustee  
 since 2003.  
 Term expires in  
 2007. Elected by  
 Preferred Shares  
 only.

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| Name, Age and Address | Position(s) Held With the Fund       | Term of Office and Length of Service  | Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years  | Other Directorships Held by this Trustee or Nominee |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|
| Osbert M. Hood (52)*  | Trustee and Executive Vice President | High Income Trust: Class III Trustee since June 2003. Term expires in 2005.<br>Municipal High Income Trust: Class II Trustee since 2003. Term expires in 2005.<br>Municipal High Income Advantage Trust: Class II Trustee since 2003. Term expires in 2005.<br>Tax Advantaged Balanced Trust: Class I Trustee since 2003. Term expires in 2005. | President and Chief Executive Officer, PIM-USA since May, 2003 (Director since January, 2001); President and Director of Pioneer Investment Management, Inc. since May, 2003; Chairman and Director of Pioneer Investment Management Shareholder Services, Inc. ("PIMSS") since May, 2003; Executive Vice President of all of the Pioneer Funds since June 3, 2003; Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of PIM-USA, November 2000-May 2003; Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, John Hancock Advisers, LLC, Boston, MA, November 1999-November 2000 | None  |

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| Name, Age and Address | Position(s) Held With the Fund | Term of Office and Length of Service | Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years | Other Directorships Held by this Trustee or Nominee |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---|
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---|

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Independent Trustees:

|   |         |   |  |  |
|---|---------|---|--|--|
| David R. Bock<br>(61)<br>3050 K. Street NW,<br>Washington, DC 20007 | Trustee | High Income Trust: Class II Trustee since 2005. Term expires in 2007.<br>Municipal High Income Trust: Class I Trustee since 2005. Term expires in 2007.<br>Municipal High Income Advantage Trust: Class I Trustee since 2005. Term expires in 2007.<br>Tax Advantaged Balanced Trust: Class III Trustee since 2005. Term expires in 2007. | Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, I-trax, Inc. (publicly traded health care services company) (2001-present);<br>Managing Partner, Federal City Capital Advisors (boutique merchant bank); (1995-2000; 2002 to 2004); Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Pedestal Inc. (internet-based mortgage trading company) (2000-2002) | Director of Enterprise Investment Company (privately affordable finance co Director of York Mortgage Trust (publicly traded mortgage REIT) |
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| Name, Age<br>and Address  | Position(s)<br>Held<br>With the Fund | Term of Office<br>and<br>Length of<br>Service  | Principal Occupation(s)<br>During Past Five Years                     | D  |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| Mary K. Bush<br>(57)<br>3509 Woodbine Street,<br>Chevy Chase, MD<br>20815 | Trustee                              | High Income Trust: Class I Trustee since 2002. Term expires in 2006.<br>Municipal High Income Trust: Class III Trustee since 2003. Term expires in 2006.<br>Municipal High Income Advantage Trust: Class III Trustee since 2003. Term expires in 2006.<br>Tax Advantaged | President, Bush International (international financial advisory firm) | Director of Corporate (industrial) identification, special materials manufacturing, Milled Chemicals (commercial chemicals), Mortgage Insurance Corporation, Reynolds Holdings (tobacco) |

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Balanced Trust:  
Class II Trustee  
since 2003.  
Term expires  
in 2006.

Margaret B.W. Graham Trustee  
(58)  
1001 Sherbrooke Street  
West, Montreal,  
Quebec, Canada

High Income  
Trust: Class III  
Trustee since  
2002. Term  
expires in 2005.  
Municipal High  
Income Trust:  
Class II Trustee  
since 2003.  
Term expires  
in 2005.  
Municipal  
High Income  
Advantage  
Trust: Class II  
Trustee since  
2003. Term  
expires in 2005.  
Tax Advantaged  
Balanced Trust:  
Class I Trustee  
since 2003.  
Term expires  
in 2005.

Founding Director, The  
Winthrop Group, Inc.  
(consulting firm);  
Professor of  
Management, Faculty of  
Management, McGill  
University

None

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| Name, Age<br>and Address  | Position(s)<br>Held<br>With the Fund | Term of Office<br>and<br>Length of<br>Service   | Principal Occupation(s)<br>During Past Five Years   | Other<br>Directors<br>Held by t<br>Trustee<br>Nomine                                 |
|---|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|
| Marguerite A. Piret<br>(57)<br>One Boston Place,<br>28th Floor,<br>Boston, MA 02108 | Trustee                              | High Income<br>Trust: Class I<br>Trustee since<br>2002. Term<br>expires in 2006.<br>Elected by<br>Preferred<br>Shares only.<br>Municipal High<br>Income Trust:<br>Class III Trustee<br>since 2003.<br>Term expires in<br>2006. Elected<br>by Preferred<br>Shares only.<br>Municipal | President and Chief<br>Executive Officer,<br>Newbury, Piret &<br>Company, Inc.<br>(investment banking firm) | Director of<br>America High<br>Income Fund,<br>(closed-end<br>investment<br>company) |

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High Income Advantage Trust: Class III Trustee since 2003. Term expires in 2006. Elected by Preferred Shares only. Tax Advantaged Balanced Trust: Class II Trustee since 2003. Term expires in 2006. Elected by Preferred Shares only.

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| Name, Age and Address   | Position(s) Held With the Fund | Term of Office and Length of Service   | Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years                 | Other Directorship Held by the Trustee or Nominee  |
|---|--------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Stephen K. West (76)<br>125 Broad Street,<br>New York, NY 10004       | Trustee                        | High Income Trust: Class II Trustee since 2002. Term expires in 2007. Municipal High Income Trust: Class I Trustee since 2003. Term expires in 2007. Municipal High Income Advantage Trust: Class I Trustee since 2003. Term expires in 2007. Tax Advantaged Balanced Trust: Class III Trustee since 2003. Term expires in 2007. | Senior Counsel, Sullivan & Cromwell (law firm)                 | Director, The Swiss Helvet Fund, Inc. (closed-end investment company) and AMVESCAP PLC (investment managers) |
| John Winthrop (69)<br>One North Adgers Wharf,<br>Charleston, SC 29401 | Trustee                        | High Income Trust: Class III Trustee since 2002. Term expires in 2005.   | President, John Winthrop & Co., Inc. (private investment firm) | None   |



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Municipal High  
Income Trust:  
Class II Trustee  
since 2003. Term  
expires in 2005.  
Municipal High  
Income Advantage  
Trust: Class II  
Trustee since  
2003. Term  
expires in 2005.  
Tax Advantaged  
Balanced Trust:  
Class I Trustee  
since 2003. Term  
expires in 2005.

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\* Mr. Cogan and Mr. Hood are Interested Trustees because each is an officer or director of each fund's investment adviser and certain of its affiliates.

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Board Committees

The Board of Trustees for each fund has an Audit Committee, an Independent Trustees Committee, a Nominating Committee, a Valuation Committee and a Policy Administration Committee. Committee members are as follows:

Audit

David R. Bock, Margaret B.W. Graham and Marguerite A. Piret (Chair)

Independent Trustees

David R. Bock, Mary K. Bush, Margaret B.W. Graham (Chair), Marguerite A. Piret, Stephen K. West and John Winthrop

Nominating

Mary K. Bush, Marguerite A. Piret and John Winthrop (Chair)

Valuation

Marguerite A. Piret (Chair), Stephen K. West and John Winthrop

Policy Administration

Mary K. Bush (Chair), Steve West and John Winthrop

During the most recent fiscal year, the Audit, Nominating, Valuation, Independent Trustees and Policy Administration Committees of each fund held the following meetings:

|                            | High<br>Income<br>Trust | Municipal<br>High<br>Income Trust | Municipal<br>High Income<br>Advantage<br>Trust | Tax<br>Advantaged<br>Balanced<br>Trust |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|--|
|                            | -----                   | -----                             | -----  | -----                                  |
| Audit Committee .....      | 12                      | 12                                | 12   | 7                                      |
| Nominating Committee ..... | 3                       | 3                                 | 3  | 4                                      |

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|---------------------------------------|----|----|----|----|
| Valuation Committee .....             | 3  | 3  | 3  | 3  |
| Independent Trustees .....            | 6  | 5  | 6  | 7  |
| Policy Administration Committee ..... | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 |

All members of the Audit Committee are "independent", as defined in the applicable listing standard of the New York Stock Exchange currently in effect. The Board of Trustees has adopted a charter for the Audit Committee, in effect as of March 15, 2005, which is attached as Appendix A to this proxy statement. In accordance with its charter, the purposes of the Audit Committee are to:

- o act as a liaison between the fund's independent registered public accounting firm and the full Board of Trustees of the fund;
- o discuss with the fund's independent registered public accounting firm their judgments about the quality of the fund's accounting principles and underlying estimates as applied in the fund's financial reporting;

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- o review and assess the renewal materials of all related party contracts and agreements, including management advisory agreements, underwriting contracts, administration agreements, distribution contracts, and transfer agency contracts, among any other instruments and agreements that may be appropriate from time to time;
- o review and approve insurance coverage and allocations of premiums between the management and the fund and among the Pioneer Funds;
- o review and approve expenses under the administration agreement between Pioneer and the fund and allocations of such expenses among the Pioneer Funds; and
- o receive on a periodic basis a formal written statement delineating all relationships between the independent registered public accounting firm and the fund or Pioneer; to actively engage in a dialogue with the independent registered public accounting firm with respect to any disclosed relationships or services that may impact the objectivity and independence of the independent registered public accounting firm; and to recommend that the Trustees take appropriate action in response to the independent registered public accounting firm's report to satisfy itself of the firm's independence.

The Audit Committee reports that it has (1) reviewed and discussed each fund's audited financial statements with management; (2) discussed with the independent registered public accounting firm the matters relating to the quality of each fund's financial reporting; and (3) received written disclosures and an independence letter from the independent registered public accounting firm and discussed with the independent registered public accounting firm that firm's independence. Based upon the review and discussions referred to above, the Audit Committee recommended to the Board of Trustees that the audited financial statements be included in the Annual Reports for Pioneer High Income Trust and Pioneer Municipal High Income Advantage Trust for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2005, the Annual Report for Pioneer Municipal High Income Trust for the fiscal year ended April 30, 2005 and the Annual Report for Pioneer Tax Advantaged Balanced Trust for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2004, for filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC").

The members of the Audit Committee are David R. Bock, Margaret B.W. Graham and Marguerite A. Piret (Chair).

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All members of the Nominating Committee are independent under the New York Stock Exchange's Revised Listing Rules and are not interested persons, as defined in the 1940 Act, of Pioneer. The Board of each fund has adopted a written charter for the Nominating Committee, which is available on Pioneer's website: [www.pioneerfunds.com](http://www.pioneerfunds.com). The Nominating Committee reviews the qualifications of persons being considered as candidates as Trustees and makes recommendations regarding the qualifications of such persons to the Independent Trustees. All of the Independent Trustees then evaluate any candidate and determine whether to nominate them for election. The Trustees who are not Independent Trustees and the officers of each Fund are nominated and selected by the Board.

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The Nominating Committee's charter provides for certain criteria to be used in evaluating candidates for Independent Trustee. In reviewing a potential nominee and in evaluating the re-nomination of current Independent Trustees, the Nominating Committee applies the following criteria: (i) the nominee's reputation for integrity, honesty and adherence to high ethical standards, (ii) the nominee's business acumen and ability to exercise sound judgments, (iii) a commitment to attend and participate in meetings of the Board and its committees, (iv) the ability to understand potential conflicts of interest in managing a fund and to act in the interests of all shareholders, and (v) the absence of a real or apparent conflict of interest that would impair the nominee's ability to represent the interests of all the shareholders and to fulfill the responsibilities of an Independent Trustee. The Nominating Committee does not necessarily place the same emphasis on each criteria and each nominee may not have each of these qualities.

As long as an existing Independent Trustee continues, in the opinion of the other Independent Trustees, to satisfy these criteria and continues to make positive contributions to the Board, each fund anticipates that Independent Trustees of each fund would favor the re-nomination of an existing Trustee rather than a new candidate. Consequently, while the Nominating Committee will evaluate the qualifications of nominees recommended by shareholders to serve as Trustee, the Independent Trustees may only act upon the Nominating Committee's evaluation if there is a vacancy on the Board. In the event that a vacancy arises or a change in Board membership is determined to be advisable, the Nominating Committee will, in addition to any shareholder recommendations, evaluate candidates identified by other means, including candidates proposed by Independent Trustees or management. While it has not done so in the past, the Nominating Committee may retain a consultant to assist the Committee in a search for a qualified candidate.

Any shareholder recommendation must be submitted in compliance with all of the pertinent provisions of Rule 14a-8 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") to be considered by the Nominating Committee. In evaluating a nominee recommended by a shareholder, the Nominating Committee, in addition to the criteria discussed above, may consider the objectives of the shareholder in submitting that nomination and whether such objectives are consistent with the interests of all shareholders. If the Board determines to include a shareholder's candidate among the slate of nominees, the candidate's name will be placed on the fund's proxy card. If the Nominating Committee, the Independent Trustees or the Board determines not to include such candidate among the Board's designated nominees and the shareholder has satisfied the requirements of Rule 14a-8, the shareholder's candidate will be treated as a nominee of the shareholder who originally nominated the candidate.

The Nominating Committee initiated the recommendation of each of the

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nominees to serve as Independent Trustee.

Shareholders may communicate with the members of the Board as a group or individually. Any such communication should be sent to the Board or an individual Trustee c/o the Secretary of the fund at the address on the notice of this meeting. The Secretary

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may determine not to forward any letter to members of the Board that does not relate to the business of a fund.

The Valuation Committee reviews the valuation assigned to certain securities by Pioneer in accordance with each fund's valuation procedures.

The Policy Administration Committee reviews the implementation of certain of each fund's administrative policies and procedures.

The Independent Trustees Committee reviews each fund's management contract and other related party contracts annually and is also responsible for any other action required to be taken, under the 1940 Act, by the Independent Trustees acting alone.

Each fund's Declaration of Trust provides that the fund will indemnify the Trustees and officers against liabilities and expenses reasonably incurred in connection with any litigation in which they may be involved because of their offices with the fund, unless it is determined in the manner specified in the Declaration of Trust that they have not acted in good faith in the reasonable belief that their actions were in the best interests of the fund or that such indemnification would relieve any officer or Trustee of any liability to the fund or its shareholders by reason of willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or reckless disregard of his or her duties.

During each fund's most recent fiscal year, the Board of Trustees held 10 meetings. All of the current Trustees and committee members of each fund then serving attended at least 75% of the meetings of the Board of Trustees and applicable committees, if any, held during that fund's fiscal year.

The following table indicates the value of shares that each Trustee or nominee beneficially owned in each fund and Pioneer Funds in the aggregate as of May 31, 2005. Beneficial ownership is determined in accordance with SEC rules. The share value of any closed-end Pioneer fund is based on its closing market price on May 31, 2005. The share value of any open-end Pioneer fund is based on the net asset value of the class of shares on May 31, 2005. The dollar ranges in this table are in accordance with SEC requirements.

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| Name of Trustee or Nominee | Dollar Range of<br>Equity Securities<br>in each Fund | Aggregate Dollar Range<br>of Equity Securities in<br>All Pioneer Funds<br>Overseen or to be<br>Overseen by Trustee<br>or Nominee |
|----------------------------|--|--|
|                            |  |  |

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INTERESTED TRUSTEE or  
NOMINEE

|                      |  |                |
|----------------------|--|----------------|
| John F. Cogan .....  | Over \$100,000 (1)<br>\$0 (2)<br>\$0 (3)<br>Over \$100,000 (4) | Over \$100,000 |
| Osbert M. Hood ..... | \$0 (1)<br>\$0 (2)<br>\$0 (3)<br>\$0 (4)                       | Over \$100,000 |

INDEPENDENT TRUSTEE or  
NOMINEE

|                             |  |                      |
|-----------------------------|--|----------------------|
| David R. Bock .....         | \$0 (1)<br>\$0 (2)<br>\$0 (3)<br>\$0 (4)   | \$ 0                 |
| Mary K. Bush .....          | \$0 (1)<br>\$0 (2)<br>\$0 (3)<br>\$0 (4)   | \$10,001 to \$50,000 |
| Margaret B. W. Graham ..... | \$1 to \$10,000 (1)<br>\$0 (2)<br>\$0 (3)<br>\$0 (4)   | \$10,001 to \$50,000 |
| Marguerite A. Piret .....   | \$0 (1)<br>\$0 (2)<br>\$0 (3)<br>\$0 (4)   | Over \$100,000       |
| Stephen K. West .....       | \$1 to \$10,000 (1)<br>\$0 (2)<br>\$0 (3)<br>\$0 (4)   | Over \$100,000       |
| John Winthrop .....         | \$10,001 to \$50,000 (1)<br>\$10,001 to \$50,000 (2)<br>\$10,001 to \$50,000 (3)<br>\$10,001 to \$50,000 (4) | Over \$100,000       |

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- (1) Shares held in Pioneer High Income Trust
  - (2) Shares held in Pioneer Municipal High Income Trust
  - (3) Shares held in Pioneer Municipal High Income Advantage Trust
  - (4) Shares held in Pioneer Tax Advantaged Balanced Trust

For each of the funds, during the most recent fiscal year, none of the Trustees or any nominee for election as a Trustee engaged in the purchase or sale of securities of Pioneer, UniCredito Italiano or any other entity in a control relationship to Pioneer or Pioneer Funds Distributor, Inc. ("PFD").

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### Material Relationships of the Independent Trustees

For purposes of the statements below:

- o the immediate family members of any person are their spouse, children in the person's household (including step and adoptive children) and any dependent of the person.
- o an entity in a control relationship means any person who controls, is controlled by or is under common control with the named person. For example, UniCredito Italiano is an entity that is in a control relationship with Pioneer.
- o a related fund is a registered investment company or an entity exempt from the definition of an investment company pursuant to Sections 3(c)(1) or 3(c)(7) of the 1940 Act, for which Pioneer or any of its affiliates act as investment adviser or for which PFD or any of its affiliates act as principal underwriter. For example, each fund's related funds include all of the Pioneer Funds and any non-U.S. funds managed by Pioneer or its affiliates.

As of December 31, 2004, for each fund, none of the Independent Trustees, nor any of their immediate family members, beneficially owned any securities issued by Pioneer, UniCredito Italiano or any other entity in a control relationship to Pioneer or PFD.

During the past five years, for each fund, none of the Independent Trustees, nor any of their immediate family members, had any direct or indirect interest (the value of which exceeded \$60,000), whether by contract, arrangement or otherwise, in Pioneer, UniCredito Italiano, or any other entity in a control relationship to Pioneer or PFD.

During the past five years, for each fund, none of the Independent Trustees, nor any of their immediate family members, had an interest in a transaction or a series of transactions, or in any currently proposed transaction, or series of similar transactions, in which the aggregate amount involved exceeded \$60,000 and to which any of the following were a party (each a "fund related party"):

- o the fund
- o an officer of the fund
- o a related fund
- o an officer of any related fund
- o Pioneer or PFD
- o an officer of Pioneer or PFD
- o any affiliate of Pioneer or PFD
- o an officer of any such affiliate

During the calendar years 2003 and 2004, for each fund, none of the Independent Trustees, nor any of their immediate family members, had any relationship (the value of which exceeded \$60,000) with any fund related party,

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including, but not limited to, relationships arising out of (i) the payment for property and services, (ii) the provision of legal services, (iii) the provision of investment banking services (other than as a member of the underwriting syndicate) or (iv) the provision of consulting services, except that Mr. West, an Independent Trustee, is Senior Counsel to Sullivan & Cromwell and acts as counsel to the Independent Trustees and the Independent Trustees of the other Pioneer Funds. The aggregate compensation paid to Sullivan & Cromwell by the funds and the other Pioneer Funds was approximately \$126,603 and \$208,010 in 2003 and 2004, respectively.

During the calendar years 2003 and 2004, for each fund, none of the Independent Trustees, nor any of their immediate family members, served as a member of a board of directors on which an officer of any of the following entities also serves as a director:

- o Pioneer
- o PFD
- o UniCredito Italiano
- o any other entity in a control relationship with Pioneer or PFD

None of the funds' Trustees or officers has any arrangement with any other person pursuant to which that Trustee or officer serves on the Board of Trustees. During the calendar years 2003 and 2004, for each fund, none of the Independent Trustees, nor any of their immediate family members, had any position, including as an officer, employee, director or partner, with any of the following:

- o the fund
- o any related fund
- o Pioneer
- o PFD
- o any affiliated person of the fund, Pioneer or PFD
- o UniCredito Italiano
- o any other entity in a control relationship to the fund, Pioneer or PFD

### Compliance with Section 16(a) Reporting Requirements

Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act requires each fund's executive officers, Trustees and person who own more than ten percent of a fund's shares ("10% Shareholders") to file reports of ownership and changes in ownership with the SEC. Executive officers, Trustees and 10% Shareholders are required by SEC regulations to furnish the fund with copies of all Section 16(a) forms they file. Based solely on a review of the copies of these reports furnished to each of the funds and representations that no other reports were required to be filed, each fund believes that during the past fiscal year its executive

officers, Trustees and 10% Shareholders complied with all applicable Section 16(a) filing requirements.

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### Other executive officers

In addition to Mr. Cogan and Mr. Hood, who serve as President and Executive Vice President, respectively, of each fund, the following table provides information with respect to the other executive officers of the funds. Each executive officer is elected by the Board of Trustees and serves until his or her successor is chosen and qualified or until his or her resignation or removal by the Board. The business address of all officers of the funds is 60 State Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02109.

| Name, age and position with each fund             | Principal occupation(s)  |
|---|--|
| Dorothy E. Bourassa (56)<br>Secretary             | Secretary of PIM-USA; Senior Vice President - Legal of Pioneer; and Secretary/Clerk of most of PIM-USA's subsidiaries since October 2000; Secretary of all of the Pioneer Funds since September 8, 2003 (Assistant Secretary from November 2000 to September 2003); Senior Counsel, Assistant Vice President and Director of Compliance of PIM-USA from April 1998 through October 2000. |
| Christopher J. Kelley (40)<br>Assistant Secretary | Assistant Vice President and Senior Counsel of Pioneer since July 2002; Vice President and Senior Counsel of BISYS Fund Services, Inc. (April 2001 to June 2002); Senior Vice President and Deputy General Counsel of Funds Distributor, Inc. (July 2000 to April 2001); and Assistant Secretary of all of the Pioneer Funds since September, 2003.                                      |
| David C. Phelan (48)<br>Assistant Secretary       | Partner, Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP; and Assistant Secretary of all of the Pioneer Funds since September, 2003.   |
| Vincent Nave (60)<br>Treasurer                    | Vice President -- Fund Accounting, Administration and Custody Services of Pioneer; and Treasurer of all of the Pioneer Funds (Assistant Treasurer from June 1999 to November 2000).  |

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| Name, age and position with each fund       | Principal occupation(s)   |
|---|---|
| Mark E. Bradley (45)<br>Assistant Treasurer | Deputy Treasurer of Pioneer since 2004; Treasurer and Senior Vice President, CDC IXIS Asset Management Services from 2002 to 2003; Assistant Treasurer and Vice President, MFS Investment Management from 1997 to 2002; and Assistant Treasurer of all of the Pioneer Funds since November 2004 |
| Luis I. Presutti (40)                       | Assistant Vice President -- Fund Accounting,  |



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|--|--|
| Assistant Treasurer                                | Administration and Custody Services of Pioneer; and Assistant Treasurer of all of the Pioneer Funds since November 2000.   |
| Gary Sullivan (47)<br>Assistant Treasurer          | Fund Accounting Manager -- Fund Accounting, Administration and Custody Services of Pioneer; and Assistant Treasurer of all of the Pioneer Funds since May 2002.  |
| Katherine Kim Sullivan (31)<br>Assistant Treasurer | Fund Administration Manager -- Fund Accounting, Administration and Custody Services since June 2003; Assistant Vice President -- Mutual Fund Operations of State Street Corporation from June 2002 to June 2003 (formerly Deutsche Bank Asset Management); Pioneer Fund Accounting, Administration and Custody Services (Fund Accounting Manager from August 1999 to May 2002); and Assistant Treasurer of all of the Pioneer Funds since September 8, 2003. |
| Martin J. Wolin (37)<br>Chief Compliance Officer   | Chief Compliance Officer of Pioneer (Director of Compliance and Senior Counsel from November 2000 to September 2004); Vice President and Associate General Counsel of UAM Fund Services, Inc. (mutual fund administration company) from February 1998 to November 2000; and Chief Compliance Officer of all of the Pioneer Funds.  |

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### Compensation of trustees and officers

The following table sets forth certain information with respect to the compensation of each Trustee for each of Pioneer High Income Trust and Pioneer Municipal High Income Advantage Trust for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2005. The amounts paid to the Trustees differ due to (i) membership on or chairing certain committees of the boards of Trustees and (ii) attendance at meetings. Each fund does not pay any salary or other compensation to its officers.

Pioneer High Income Trust and Pioneer Municipal High Income Advantage Trust:

| Name of Trustee              | Aggregate<br>Compensation<br>from Fund | Pension or Retirement<br>Benefits Accrued as<br>Part of Fund<br>Expenses | Total Compensation<br>from the Fund and<br>Other Pioneer<br>Funds (2) |
|------------------------------|--|--|---|
| -----                        |  |  |   |
| Interested Trustees:         |  |  |   |
| John F. Cogan, Jr. (1) ..... | \$ 500.00*                             |  |   |
|                              | 500.00**                               | \$0.00   | \$ 23,100.00  |
| Osbert M. Hood(1) .....      | 500.00*                                |  |   |
|                              | 500.00**                               | 0.00   | 23,100.00   |
| Independent Trustees:        |  |  |   |
| David R. Bock(3) .....       | 417.55*                                |  |   |
|                              | 357.64**                               | 0.00   | 24,937.50   |
| Mary K. Bush .....           | 2,102.54*                              |  |   |
|                              | 1,747.01**                             | 0.00   | 104,000.00  |

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|                                  |               |        |              |
|----------------------------------|---------------|--------|--------------|
| Richard H. Egdahl, M.D.(4) ..... | 1,622.47*     |        |              |
|                                  | 1,349.12**    | 0.00   | 99,750.00    |
| Margaret B.W. Graham .....       | 2,198.38*     |        |              |
|                                  | 1,808.80**    | 0.00   | 104,000.00   |
| Marguerite A. Piret .....        | 2,374.70*     |        |              |
|                                  | 1,943.85**    | 0.00   | 112,500.00   |
| Stephen K. West .....            | 1,944.18*     |        |              |
|                                  | 1,644.93**    | 0.00   | 99,750.00    |
| John Winthrop .....              | 2,053.98*     |        |              |
|                                  | 1,716.80**    | 0.00   | 99,750.00    |
|                                  |               | -----  | -----        |
| Total .....                      | \$13,713.80*  |        |              |
|                                  | \$11,568.15** | \$0.00 | \$690,887.50 |
|                                  |               | =====  | =====        |

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- (1) Under the management contract, Pioneer reimburses each fund for any Interested Trustees fees paid by the fund.
  - (2) There are 81 U.S. registered investment portfolios in the Pioneer Family of Funds.
  - (3) Mr. Bock became a Trustee of the fund on January 1, 2005.
  - (4) Dr. Egdahl retired as a Trustee of the fund on December 31, 2004.
- \* Aggregate compensation from Pioneer High Income Trust  
 \*\* Aggregate compensation from Pioneer Municipal High Income Advantage Trust

Pioneer Municipal High Income Trust:

The following table sets forth certain information with respect to the compensation of each Trustee of Pioneer Municipal High Income Trust for the fiscal year ended April 30, 2005. The amounts paid to the Trustees differ due to (i) membership on or chairing certain committees of the boards of Trustees and (ii) attendance at meetings. The fund does not pay any salary or other compensation to its officers.

| Name of Trustee                  | Aggregate Compensation from Fund | Pension or Retirement Benefits Accrued as Part of Fund Expenses | Total Compensation from the Fund and Other Pioneer Funds (2) |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|--|
| -----                            |                                  |   |  |
| Interested Trustees:             |                                  |   |  |
| John F. Cogan, Jr.(1) .....      | \$ 500.00                        | \$0.00  | \$ 23,100.00   |
| Osbert M. Hood(1) .....          | 500.00                           | 0.00  | 23,100.00  |
| Independent Trustees:            |                                  |   |  |
| David R. Bock(3) .....           | 340.33                           | 0.00  | 24,937.50  |
| Mary K. Bush .....               | 1,640.26                         | 0.00  | 104,000.00   |
| Richard H. Egdahl, M.D.(4) ..... | 1,266.64                         | 0.00  | 99,750.00  |
| Margaret B.W. Graham .....       | 1,691.74                         | 0.00  | 104,000.00   |
| Marguerite A. Piret .....        | 1,814.85                         | 0.00  | 112,500.00   |
| Stephen K. West .....            | 1,555.18                         | 0.00  | 99,750.00  |
| John Winthrop .....              | 1,615.48                         | 0.00  | 99,750.00  |
|                                  | -----                            | -----   | -----  |
| Total .....                      | \$10,924.48                      | \$0.00  | \$690,887.50   |
|                                  | =====                            | =====   | =====  |

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- (1) Under the management contract, Pioneer reimburses each fund for any Interested Trustees fees paid by the fund.
- (2) There are 81 U.S. registered investment portfolios in the Pioneer Family of Funds.
- (3) Mr. Bock became a Trustee of the fund on January 1, 2005.
- (4) Dr. Egdahl retired as a Trustee of the fund on December 31, 2004.

Pioneer Tax Advantaged Balanced Trust:

The following table sets forth certain information with respect to the compensation of each Trustee of Pioneer Tax Advantaged Balanced Trust for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2004. The amounts paid to the Trustees differ due to (i) membership on or chairing certain committees of the boards of Trustees and (ii) attendance at meetings. The fund does not pay any salary or other compensation to its officers.

| Name of Trustee                  | Aggregate Compensation from Fund | Pension or Retirement Benefits Accrued as Part of Fund Expenses | Total Compensation from the Fund and Other Pioneer Funds (2) |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|--|
| Interested Trustees:             |                                  |   |  |
| John F. Cogan, Jr.(1) .....      | \$ 500.00                        | \$0.00  | \$ 23,100.00   |
| Osbert M. Hood(1) .....          | 500.00                           | 0.00  | 23,100.00  |
| Independent Trustees:            |                                  |   |  |
| David R. Bock(3) .....           | N/A                              | N/A   | N/A  |
| Mary K. Bush .....               | 1,287.16                         | 0.00  | 104,000.00   |
| Richard H. Egdahl, M.D.(4) ..... | 1,250.40                         | 0.00  | 99,750.00  |
| Margaret B.W. Graham .....       | 1,349.46                         | 0.00  | 104,000.00   |

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| Name of Trustee           | Aggregate Compensation from Fund | Pension or Retirement Benefits Accrued as Part of Fund Expenses | Total Compensation from the Fund and Other Pioneer Funds(2) |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------|---|---|
| Marguerite A. Piret ..... | \$1,352.73                       | \$0.00  | \$112,500.00  |
| Stephen K. West .....     | 1,188.06                         | 0.00  | 99,750.00   |
| John Winthrop .....       | 1,257.47                         | 0.00  | 99,750.00   |
| Total .....               | \$8,685.28                       | \$0.00  | \$665,950.00  |

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- (1) Under the management contract, Pioneer reimburses each fund for any Interested Trustees fees paid by the fund.
- (2) There are 81 U.S. registered investment portfolios in the Pioneer Family of Funds.
- (3) Mr. Bock became a Trustee of the fund on January 1, 2005.
- (4) Dr. Egdahl retired as a Trustee of the fund on December 31, 2004.

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Investment adviser and administrator

Pioneer, whose executive offices are located at 60 State Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02109, serves as investment adviser and administrator to each fund.

The Trustees may, but generally do not, attend shareholder meetings. No trustees attended the 2004 annual shareholder meeting.

Required vote

In accordance with each fund's agreement and declaration of trust, the holders of Common Shares and Preferred Shares of each fund will vote on the respective nominees designated to be elected by such class of shares. Ms. Graham, Mr. Hood and Mr. Winthrop are the current nominees for election for each fund, each by the holders of Common and Preferred Shares. The affirmative vote of a plurality of the Common and Preferred Shares for each fund present at the meeting in person or by proxy, voting together as a single class, is required to elect such nominee for Trustee designated to be elected by the Common and Preferred Shares. This means that the three nominees receiving the greatest number of votes will be elected as Class II Trustees to the Board of Pioneer Municipal High Income Trust and Pioneer Municipal High Income Advantage Trust, Class III Trustees to the Board of Pioneer High Income Trust and Class I Trustees to the Board of Pioneer Tax Advantaged Balanced Trust.

Recommendation

For the reasons set forth above, the Trustees of your fund unanimously recommend that shareholders vote in favor of each of the nominees.

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### AUDITOR INFORMATION

Audit fees

The aggregate fees billed for professional services rendered by Ernst & Young LLP for its audit of each fund's annual financial statements and fees related to consents and comfort letters for the two most recent fiscal years contained in the annual reports filed by each fund for such years were as follows:

|   | For the fiscal year<br>ended 3/31/2005 | For the fiscal<br>ended 3/31/2 |
|---|--|--------------------------------|
| Pioneer High Income Trust .....                     | \$20,800                               | \$44,500                       |
| Pioneer Municipal High Income Advantage Trust ..... | \$22,900                               | \$59,000                       |

|   | For the fiscal year<br>ended 4/30/2005 | For the fiscal<br>ended 4/30/2 |
|---|--|--------------------------------|
| Pioneer Municipal High Income Trust ..... | \$22,900                               | \$59,000                       |

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|   | For the fiscal year<br>ended 11/30/2004 | For the fiscal<br>ended 11/30/2 |
|---|---|---------------------------------|
| Pioneer Tax Advantaged Balanced Trust ..... | \$80,500                                | n/a                             |

Audit-related fees

The following are aggregate fees billed for assurance and related services by Ernst & Young LLP to each fund that are related to the review of each fund's semi-annual financial statements and agreed upon procedures related to the ratings of each fund's Preferred Shares for the two most recent fiscal years. All of these services were approved by the Audit Committee of each fund pursuant to Regulation S-X.

|   | For the fiscal year<br>ended 3/31/2005 | For the fiscal<br>ended 3/31/2 |
|---|--|--------------------------------|
| Pioneer High Income Trust .....                     | \$8,000                                | \$17,500                       |
| Pioneer Municipal High Income Advantage Trust ..... | \$8,000                                | \$12,500                       |

|   | For the fiscal year<br>ended 4/30/2005 | For the fiscal<br>ended 4/30/2 |
|---|--|--------------------------------|
| Pioneer Municipal High Income Trust ..... | \$8,000                                | \$22,500                       |

|   | For the fiscal year<br>ended 11/30/2004 | For the fiscal<br>ended 11/30/2 |
|---|---|---------------------------------|
| Pioneer Tax Advantaged Balanced Trust ..... | \$13,000                                | n/a                             |

Tax fees

The aggregate fees billed for professional services, primarily for tax returns, rendered by Ernst & Young LLP for tax compliance, tax advice and tax planning to each fund for the two most recent fiscal years were as follows. All of these services were approved by the Audit Committee of each fund pursuant to Regulation S-X.

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|   | For the fiscal year<br>ended 3/31/2005 | For the fiscal<br>ended 3/31/2004 |
|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Pioneer High Income Trust .....                     | \$6,000                                | \$3,600                           |
| Pioneer Municipal High Income Advantage Trust ..... | \$6,000                                | \$3,600                           |

|   | For the fiscal year<br>ended 4/30/2005 | For the fiscal<br>ended 4/30/2004 |
|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Pioneer Municipal High Income Trust ..... | \$6,000                                | \$3,600                           |

|   | For the fiscal year<br>ended 11/30/2004 | For the fiscal<br>ended 11/30/2003 |
|---|---|------------------------------------|
| Pioneer Tax Advantaged Balanced Trust ..... | \$6,000                                 | n/a                                |

All other fees

There were no fees billed for other services rendered by Ernst & Young LLP to the funds.

Affiliates' Fees for Non-Audit Services Required to be Pre-Approved

Beginning with non-audit service contracts entered into on or after May 6, 2003, the effective date of the new SEC pre-approval rules, each fund's audit committee is required to pre-approve services to affiliates as defined by SEC rules to the extent that the services are determined to have a direct impact on the operations or financial reporting of the fund. Affiliates include the fund's investment adviser and any entity controlling, controlled by, or under common control with the adviser that provides ongoing services to the fund (hereinafter referred to as "affiliates" of the fund). For the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003, for each of the funds, there were no services provided to an affiliate that required the fund's audit committee pre-approval.

General Audit Committee Approval Policy

- o For all projects, the officers of the funds and the funds' independent registered public accounting firm will each make an assessment to determine that any proposed projects will not impair independence.
- o Potential services will be classified into the four non-restricted service categories and the "Approval of Audit, Audit-Related, Tax and Other Services" Policy will be applied. Any services outside the specific pre-approved service subcategories set forth above must be specifically approved by the Audit Committee.
- o At least quarterly, the Audit Committee shall review a report summarizing the services by service category, including fees, provided by the independent registered public accounting firm as set forth in the above policy.

Aggregate Non-Audit Fees

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The aggregate non-audit fees for each fund and its affiliates as previously defined, were as follows. These fees include services provided prior to May 6, 2003, the effective date of the pre-approval process.

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|   | For the fiscal year<br>ended 3/31/2005 | For the fiscal<br>ended 3/31/2004 |
|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Pioneer High Income Trust .....                     | \$15,100                               | \$25,100                          |
| Pioneer Municipal High Income Advantage Trust ..... | \$15,100                               | \$20,100                          |

|   | For the fiscal year<br>ended 4/30/2005 | For the fiscal<br>ended 4/30/2004 |
|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Pioneer Municipal High Income Trust ..... | \$15,100                               | \$26,100                          |

|   | For the fiscal year<br>ended 11/30/2004 | For the fiscal<br>ended 11/30/2003 |
|---|---|------------------------------------|
| Pioneer Tax Advantaged Balanced Trust ..... | \$19,000                                | n/a                                |

The Audit Committee of the Board of each fund has considered whether the provision of services, other than audit services, by Ernst & Young LLP to each fund and its affiliates is compatible with maintaining Ernst & Young LLP's independence in performing audit services.

Representatives of Ernst & Young LLP will be available at the shareholder meeting (either in person or via telephone), will have the opportunity to make a statement should they desire to do so, and will be available to answer questions.

INFORMATION CONCERNING THE MEETING

Outstanding shares and quorum

As of the record date, the following common and preferred shares of beneficial interest were outstanding for each fund:

|                                 | Common shares  | Preferred shares                                   |
|---------------------------------|----------------|--|
| Pioneer High Income Trust ..... | 26,823,948.000 | 2,020 Series A<br>2,020 Series B<br>2,000 Series C |

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|   |                |              |
|---|----------------|--------------|
| Pioneer Municipal High Income Advantage Trust ..... | 22,698,047.000 | 3,000 Series |
|   |                | 3,000 Series |
| Pioneer Municipal High Income Trust .....           | 22,120,893.000 | 2,000 Series |
|   |                | 2,040 Series |
| Pioneer Tax Advantaged Balanced Trust .....         | 28,706,981.000 | 2,350 Series |
|   |                | 2,350 Series |
|   |                | 2,350 Series |

Only shareholders of record as of the record date are entitled to notice of and to vote at the meeting. The holders of one-third of the outstanding shares of each series or class of each fund or one third of the outstanding shares of each fund, entitled to vote in person or by proxy, shall be a quorum for the transaction of business with respect to such class or classes for each fund, respectively.

### Ownership of shares of the funds

To the knowledge of each fund, as of the record date, the following persons owned of record or beneficially 5% or more of a class of the outstanding shares of each fund:

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### Pioneer High Income Trust:

| Record Holder  | Share Class | Number of Shares | % of Class |
|--|-------------|------------------|------------|
| -----  |             |                  |            |
| Cede & Co.<br>Box 20<br>Bowling Green Station<br>New York, NY 10004  | Common      | 26,745,172       | 99.71      |
| -----  |             |                  |            |
| UBS Financial Services, Inc.<br>Newport Center 3<br>499 Washington Blvd., 15th Floor<br>Jersey City, NJ 07310-1995                 | Series M    | 379              | 18.76      |
| -----  |             |                  |            |
|  | Series TH   | 196              | 9.80       |
| -----  |             |                  |            |
|  | Series W    | 241              | 11.93      |
| -----  |             |                  |            |
| CSFB Direct<br>Harborside Financial Center<br>501 Plaza II<br>Jersey City, NJ 07311-0000   | Series M    | 355              | 17.57      |
| -----  |             |                  |            |
| Morgan Stanley Dean Witter Inc.<br>Harborside Financial Center<br>34 Exchange Place Plaza 2,<br>2nd Floor<br>Jersey City, NJ 07311 | Series M    | 326              | 16.14      |
| -----  |             |                  |            |
|  | Series TH   | 269              | 13.45      |
| -----  |             |                  |            |
| Deutsche Bank Securities<br>60 Wall Street   | Series M    | 273              | 13.51      |



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|  |           |     |       |
|--|-----------|-----|-------|
|  | Series TH | 105 | 5.25  |
|  | Series W  | 404 | 20.00 |
| Merrill Lynch<br>4804 Deer Lake Drive East<br>4th Floor<br>Jacksonville, FL 32232-5286                             | Series M  | 270 | 13.37 |
|  | Series TH | 574 | 28.70 |
|  | Series W  | 194 | 9.60  |
| Citigroup Global Markets, Inc.<br>333 West 34th Street 3rd Floor<br>New York, NY 10001-2402                        | Series M  | 177 | 8.76  |
| CIBC World Markets<br>Oppenheimer Tower<br>World Financial Center<br>200 Liberty Street<br>New York, NY 10281-0000 | Series TH | 460 | 23.00 |
|  | Series W  | 912 | 45.15 |

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| Record Holder  | Share Class | Number of Shares | % of Class |
|--|-------------|------------------|------------|
| Oppenheimer/Fahnestock<br>125 Broad Street<br>16th Floor<br>New York, NY 10004-2464                          | Series TH   | 144              | 7.20       |
| Jeffries & Company Inc.<br>Harborside Financial Center<br>Plaza III, Suite 705<br>Jersey City, NJ 07311-0000 | Series TH   | 180              | 9.00       |

Pioneer Municipal High Income Trust:

| Record Holder   | Share Class | Number of Shares | % of Class |
|---|-------------|------------------|------------|
| Cede & Co.<br>Box 20<br>Bowling Green Station<br>New York, NY 10004 | Common      | 22,000,837       | 99.46      |
| UBS Financial Services, Inc.  | Series A    | 1,123            | 56.15      |

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Newport Center 3  
499 Washington Blvd., 15th Floor  
Jersey City, NJ 07310-1995

|  |          |     |       |
|--|----------|-----|-------|
|  | Series B | 966 | 47.35 |
| Merrill Lynch<br>4804 Deer Lake Drive East, 4th Floor<br>Jacksonville, FL 32232-5286 | Series A | 554 | 27.70 |
|  | Series B | 162 | 7.94  |
| Wachovia Securities<br>Loretta Pemberton<br>901 East Yird St<br>Richmond, VA 23219   | Series A | 168 | 8.40  |
|  | Series B | 185 | 9.07  |
| Oppenheimer/Fahnestock<br>125 Broad Street 16th Floor<br>New York, NY 10004-2464     | Series B | 542 | 26.57 |

Pioneer Municipal High Income Advantage Trust:

| Record Holder  | Share Class | Number of Shares | % of Class |
|--|-------------|------------------|------------|
| Cede & Co.<br>Box 20<br>Bowling Green Station<br>New York, NY 10004  | Common      | 22,571,261       | 99.44      |
| UBS Financial Services, Inc.<br>Newport Center 3<br>499 Washington Blvd., 15th Floor<br>Jersey City, NJ 07310-1995 | Series A    | 1,578            | 52.60      |
|  | Series B    | 1,238            | 41.27      |

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| Record Holder   | Share Class | Number of Shares | % of Class |
|---|-------------|------------------|------------|
| Oppenheimer/Fahnestock<br>125 Broad Street, 16th Floor<br>New York, NY 10004-2464 | Series A    | 518              | 17.27      |
|   | Series B    | 523              | 17.43      |
| Merrill Lynch   | Series A    | 366              | 12.20      |

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Jacksonville, FL 32232-5286

|   |          |     |       |
|---|----------|-----|-------|
|   | Series B | 617 | 20.57 |
| Morgan Keegan<br>50 North Front Street<br>Memphis, TN 38103-2126  | Series A | 219 | 7.30  |
| Wachovia Securities<br>Loretta Pemberton<br>901 East Yird St<br>Richmond, VA 23219  | Series A | 185 | 6.17  |
|   | Series B | 282 | 9.40  |
| Morgan Stanley Dean Witter Inc.<br>Harborside Financial Center<br>34 Exchange Place Plaza 2, 2nd Floor<br>Jersey City, NJ 07311 | Series B | 167 | 5.57  |
| Jeffries & Company Inc.<br>Harborside Financial Center<br>Plaza III, Suite 705<br>Jersey City, NJ 07311-0000                    | Series B | 173 | 5.77  |

Pioneer Tax Advantaged Balanced Trust:

| Record Holder  | Share Class | Number of Shares | % of Class |
|--|-------------|------------------|------------|
| Cede & Co.<br>Box 20<br>Bowling Green Station<br>New York, NY 10004                          | Common      | 28,688,345       | 99.94      |
| Merrill Lynch<br>4804 Deer Lake Drive East, 4th Floor<br>Jacksonville, FL 32232-5286         | Series F    | 1,930            | 82.13      |
|  | Series H    | 1,746            | 74.30      |
|  | Series T    | 1,294            | 55.06      |
| Citigroup Global Markets, Inc.<br>333 West 34th Street, 3rd Floor<br>New York, NY 10001-2402 | Series F    | 355              | 15.11      |
|  | Series H    | 166              | 7.06       |
|  | Series T    | 504              | 21.45      |

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| Record Holder   | Share Class | Number of Shares | % of Class |
|---|-------------|------------------|------------|
| Oppenheimer/Fahnestock<br>125 Broad Street, 16th Floor<br>New York, NY 10004-2464 | Series T    | 172              | 7.32       |
| Deutsche Bank Securities<br>60 Wall Street<br>New York, NY 10005                  | Series H    | 434              | 18.47      |
|   | Series T    | 380              | 16.17      |

Shareholder proposals

If you wish to include a proposal in your fund's proxy statement for the 2006 annual meeting, your proposal must be received by the Secretary of the fund at the fund's principal offices at 60 State Street, Boston Massachusetts 02109 on or before April 11, 2006. A proposal that is not to be included in the fund's proxy statement may only be made at the 2006 annual meeting if it is received by the Secretary of the fund at the fund's principal offices at 60 State Street, Boston Massachusetts 02109 not more than 120 days and at least 90 days before the anniversary date of the mailing of the fund's proxy materials for this year's annual meeting provided, however, that in the event that the date of the mailing of the notice for the 2006 annual meeting is advanced or delayed by more than thirty (30) days from the anniversary date of the mailing of the notice for this year's annual meeting, notice by a shareholder to be timely must be so delivered not earlier than the close of business on the 120th day prior to the date of mailing of the notice for the 2006 annual meeting and not later than the close of business on the later of the 90th day prior to the date of mailing of the notice for the 2006 annual meeting or the 10th day following the day on which public announcement of the date of mailing of the notice for the 2006 meeting is first made by the fund.

The submission by a shareholder of a proposal for inclusion in a proxy statement does not guarantee that it will be included. Each fund currently expects to hold the next annual shareholders' meeting on or about August 15, 2006, which date is subject to change. Shareholder proposals are subject to certain regulations under the federal securities laws.

Proxies, quorum and voting at the meeting

Any shareholder who has given his or her proxy to someone has the power to revoke that proxy at any time prior to its exercise by executing a superseding proxy or by submitting a notice of revocation to the secretary of the fund. In addition, although mere attendance at the meeting will not revoke a proxy, a shareholder present at the meeting may withdraw his or her proxy and vote in person. All properly executed and unrevoked proxies received in time for the meeting will be voted in accordance with the instructions contained in the proxies. If no instruction is given, the persons named as proxies will vote the shares represented thereby in favor of the nominees in Proposal No. 1, as described above, and will use their best judgment in connection with the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

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For each fund, one-third of the outstanding shares of each series or class, or one-third of the outstanding shares of the Trust, entitled to vote, present in person or represented by proxy, constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business at the meeting with respect to such series or class, or with respect to the entire fund, respectively. In the event that at the time any session of the meeting is called to order a quorum is not present in person or by proxy, the persons named as proxies may vote those proxies that have been received to adjourn the shareholder meeting to a later date. In the event that a quorum is present but sufficient votes in favor of the proposal have not been received, the persons named as proxies may propose one or more adjournments of the shareholder meeting to permit further solicitation of proxies with respect to such proposal. Any such adjournment will require the affirmative vote of more than one half of the shares of the fund present in person or by proxy at the session of the meeting to be adjourned. The persons named as proxies will vote those proxies which they are entitled to vote in favor of any such proposal in favor of such an adjournment and will vote those proxies required to be voted against any such proposal against any such adjournment. A shareholder vote may be taken on one or more of the proposals in the proxy statement prior to such adjournment if sufficient votes for its approval have been received and it is otherwise appropriate. Such vote will be considered final regardless of whether the meeting is adjourned to permit additional solicitation with respect to any other proposal.

Shares of the fund represented in person or by proxy, including shares that abstain or do not vote with respect to a proposal, will be counted for purposes of determining whether there is a quorum at the meeting. However, an abstention from voting has the same effect as a vote against a proposal. Similarly, if a broker or nominee holding shares in "street name" indicates on the proxy card that it does not have discretionary authority to vote on a proposal and has not received instructions from the beneficial owner, those shares will not be considered present and entitled to vote on that proposal. Thus, a "broker non-vote" has no effect on the voting.

### Other business

While the meeting has been called to transact any business that may properly come before it, the only matters that the Trustees intend to present are those matters stated in the attached notice of annual meeting of shareholders. However, if any additional matters properly come before the meeting, and on all matters incidental to the conduct of the meeting, it is the intention of the persons named in the enclosed proxy to vote the proxy in accordance with their judgment on such matters unless instructed to the contrary.

### Method of solicitation and expenses

The cost of preparing, assembling and mailing this proxy statement and the attached notice of annual meeting of shareholders and the accompanying proxy card for each fund will be borne by that fund. In addition to soliciting proxies by mail, Pioneer may, at the fund's expense, have one or more of the fund's officers, representatives or compensated third-party agents, including Pioneer, PIMSS and PFD, aid in the solicitation of proxies by personal interview or telephone and telegraph and may request brokerage houses and other custodians, nominees and fiduciaries to forward proxy soliciting material to the beneficial owners of the shares held of record by such persons.

Each fund may also arrange to have votes recorded by telephone, the

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internet or other electronic means. The voting procedures used in connection with such voting methods are designed to authenticate shareholders' identities, to allow shareholders to authorize the voting of their shares in accordance with their instructions and to confirm that their instructions have been properly recorded. If these procedures were subject to a successful legal challenge, such votes would not be counted at the shareholder meeting. Each fund is unaware of any such challenge at this time. In the case of telephone voting, shareholders would be called at the phone number the sub-transfer agent, Mellon Investor Services LLC, has in its records for their accounts, and would be asked for their Social Security number or other identifying information. The shareholders would then be given an opportunity to authorize proxies to vote their shares at the meeting in accordance with their instructions. In the case of automated telephone and internet voting, shareholders would be required to provide their Social Security number or other identifying information and would receive a confirmation of their instructions.

Persons holding shares as nominees will be reimbursed by Pioneer, upon request, for the reasonable expenses of mailing soliciting materials to the principals of the accounts.

(July 11, 2005)

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### Appendix A -- Audit Committee Charter

#### EXCHANGE LISTED PIONEER FUNDS

##### Audit Committee Charter

This Audit Committee Charter is applicable to each of the Pioneer Funds that are listed on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE").

Italicized terms used in this Charter are defined in Annex A.

**Membership.** The Audit Committee shall be composed exclusively of Trustees ("Independent Trustees") who are not "interested persons" as defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, of Pioneer Investment Management, Inc ("Pioneer"). The Audit Committee shall include at least three Independent Trustees who are designated for membership from time to time by the Board of Trustees. In selecting Independent Trustees to serve on the Audit Committee, the Board of Trustees shall select members who are free of any relationship that, in the opinion of the Board of Trustees, may interfere, or give the appearance of interfering, with such member's individual exercise of independent judgment. Unless otherwise determined by the Board, no member of the Audit Committee may serve on the audit committee of more than two other public companies (other than another Pioneer Fund). Except as otherwise permitted by the applicable rules of the New York Stock Exchange, each member of the Audit Committee shall be independent. Each member of the Audit Committee must be financially literate, as such qualification is interpreted by the Board of Trustees in its business judgment. At least one member of the Audit Committee shall be an Audit Committee Financial Expert.

**Function.** The Audit Committee's purpose is to:

- o assist the Board of Trustees' oversight of (1) the integrity of the Pioneer Funds' financial statements, (2) the Pioneer Funds' compliance with legal and regulatory requirements that relates to the Funds' accounting and financial reporting, internal financial controls and independent audit (except to the extent such responsibility is

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delegated to another committee of the Board of Trustees), (3) the independent auditor's qualifications and independence, and (4) the performance of the Pioneer Funds' internal audit function and independent accountants; and

- o prepare an Audit Committee Report to the extent required by the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") to be included in a Pioneer Funds' annual proxy statement or other filing.

The Audit Committee shall discharge its responsibilities, and shall access the information provided by the Pioneer Funds' officers, Pioneer and independent auditors, in accordance with its business judgment.

Oversight Role. Oversight is the primary role of the Audit Committee. Pioneer (or in the case of certain Pioneer Funds, Princeton Administrators LLC) is responsible for maintaining appropriate systems for accounting and internal controls and preparing the Pioneer Funds' financial statements. The independent auditors are responsible for auditing

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the Pioneer Funds' financial statements and, to the extent directed by the Audit Committee, for reviewing the Pioneer Funds' unaudited interim financial statements. The Audit Committee and the Board of Trustees recognize that the Funds' officers, Pioneer and the independent auditors have more experience, expertise, resources and time, and more detailed knowledge and information regarding the Pioneer Funds' accounting, auditing, internal control and financial reporting practices than the Audit Committee does. Accordingly, the Audit Committee's oversight role is not intended to provide any expert or special assurance as to the financial statements and other financial information provided by a Pioneer Fund to its shareholders and others. The authority and responsibilities set forth in this Charter do not reflect or create any duty or obligation of the Audit Committee to plan or conduct any audit, to determine or certify that any Pioneer Fund's financial statements are complete, accurate, fairly presented, or in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles or applicable law, or to guarantee any independent auditor's report.

The independent auditors shall report directly to the Audit Committee, and the Audit Committee shall be directly responsible for oversight of the work of the independent auditors, including resolution of disagreements between any Pioneer Fund's officer, Pioneer and the independent auditors regarding financial reporting.

Specific Responsibilities. The specific responsibilities of the Audit Committee are:

1. To act as a liaison between the Pioneer Funds' independent auditors and the Board of Trustees of the Pioneer Funds.
2. To approve, and in addition recommend to the Board of Trustees for its ratification and approval in accord with applicable law, the selection, appointment, retention and compensation of an independent auditor for each Pioneer Fund prior to the engagement of such independent auditor. The Audit Committee should meet with the independent auditor prior to the audit to discuss the planning and staffing of the audit.
3. To meet with independent auditors, including private meetings, and, as necessary, Pioneer's internal auditors and the Funds' officers (i) to

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review the arrangements for and scope of the annual audit and any special audits; (ii) to discuss the form and substance of the Pioneer Funds' financial statements and reports, and any matters of concern relating to the Pioneer Funds' financial statements, including any adjustments to such statements recommended by the independent accountants, or other results of an audit; (iii) to consider the independent accountants' comments with respect to the Pioneer Funds' financial policies, procedures and internal accounting controls and management's responses thereto; (iv) to discuss the Funds' policies with respect to risk assessment and risk management; (v) to review the resolution of any disagreements between the independent auditors and Pioneer regarding the Pioneer Funds' financial reporting; and (vi) to review the form of opinion the independent accountants propose to render to the Board of Trustees and shareholders.

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4. Together with the Independent Trustees Committee, to review and assess the renewal materials of all related party contracts and agreements, including management advisory agreements, underwriting contracts, administration agreements, distribution contracts, and transfer agency contracts.
5. To monitor the independent auditor of each Pioneer Fund to attempt to identify: conflicts of interest between the Pioneer Funds and the independent auditor as a result of employment relationships; the provision of prohibited non-audit services to a Pioneer Fund by its independent auditor; violations of audit partner rotation requirements; and prohibited independent auditor compensation arrangements whereby individuals employed by the auditor are compensated based on selling non-audit services to the fund. The independent auditors should promptly contact the Audit Committee or its Chair about any significant issue or disagreement concerning a fund's accounting practices or financial statements that is not resolved to their satisfaction or if Section 10A(b) of the Exchange Act has been implicated.
6. To ensure that the independent auditors inform the Audit Committee on a periodic basis of all relationships between the auditors and Pioneer; to engage in a dialogue with the independent auditors with respect to any disclosed relationships or services that may impact the objectivity and independence of the independent auditors; and to recommend that the Board of Trustees take appropriate action in response to the independent auditors' report to satisfy itself of the independent auditors' independence.
7. To pre-approve all audit and non-audit services provided to each Pioneer Fund by its independent auditor, directly or pursuant to the pre-approval policies attached hereto as Annex B. To pre-approve, directly or pursuant to the pre-approval policies attached hereto as Annex B, all non-audit services provided by the Pioneer Fund's independent auditor to Pioneer and any entity controlling, controlled by, or under common control with Pioneer that provides ongoing services to a Pioneer Fund, if the engagement relates directly to the operations and financial reporting of the Pioneer Fund. The Audit Committee is authorized to further delegate, to the extent permitted by law, pre-approval responsibilities to one or more members of the Audit Committee who shall report to the Audit Committee regarding approved services at the Audit Committee's next regularly scheduled meeting.



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8. With respect to any Pioneer Fund listed on the NYSE, to consider whether the Audit Committee will recommend to the Board of Trustees that the audited financial statements be included in the Fund's annual report. The Board of Trustees delegates to the Audit Committee the authority to release the Funds' financial statements for publication in the annual report, subject to the Board of Trustees' right to review and ratify such financial statements following publication. The Audit Committee shall prepare an annual committee report for inclusion where necessary in the proxy statement of a Fund relating to its annual meeting of security holders or in any other filing required by the SEC's rules.

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9. To obtain and review, at least annually, a report by the independent auditor describing: the independent accounting firm's internal quality-control procedures; any material issues raised by the most recent internal quality-control review, or peer review, of the firm, or by any inquiry or investigation by governmental or professional authorities, within the preceding five years, respecting one or more independent audits carried out by the firm, and any steps taken to deal with any such issues; and, to assess the auditor's independence, all relationships between the independent auditor and each Fund, including the disclosures required by any applicable Independence Standards Board Standard No. 1.
10. To review and discuss the annual audited financial statements and semi-annual financial statements of any Pioneer Fund listed on the NYSE with management and the independent auditor, including reviewing any such Fund's specific disclosures under "Portfolio Manager's Discussion."
11. To review with the independent auditor any problems that may be reported to the Audit Committee arising out of a Fund's accounting, auditing or financial reporting functions and management's response, and to receive and consider reports on critical accounting policies and practices and alternative treatments discussed with management.
12. To investigate improprieties or suspected improprieties in the operations of a Pioneer Fund. To establish and monitor, or cause to be established and monitored, procedures for the receipt, retention, and treatment of complaints received by a Pioneer Fund regarding accounting, internal accounting controls, or auditing matters, and the confidential, anonymous submission by employees of Pioneer, Princeton Administrators LLC or any other provider of accounting related services for a listed fund, as well as employees of the fund regarding questionable accounting or auditing matters, as and when required by applicable rules or listing requirements. The procedures currently in effect are attached as Annex C.
13. To review with the Pioneer Funds' principal executive officer and/or principal financial officer required certifications on Form N-CSR and certifications required by Section 303A.12 of the NYSE Listed Company Manual.
14. To report regularly to the Board of Trustees, including the Audit Committee's conclusions with respect to the independent auditor and the funds' financial statements and accounting controls.

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Governance. Members of the Audit Committee shall elect from among themselves a Chair, who shall preside over meetings of the Audit Committee. Replacements for vacancies, occurring from time to time, shall be nominated and elected by the Board of Trustees. The Audit Committee shall meet on a regular basis and is empowered to hold special meetings, as circumstances require. Meetings of the Audit Committee shall be open to all members of the Board who are Independent Trustees of the Funds; however, no member of the Board of Trustees other than a member of the Audit Committee shall

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have the right to vote on any matter brought before the Audit Committee. The Chair shall determine whether Trustees who are affiliated with Pioneer, or members of the Funds' management may be present at any meeting. The Audit Committee shall meet regularly with the Treasurer of the Funds. The Audit Committee shall have the resources and authority appropriate to discharge its responsibilities, including the authority to retain special counsel and other experts or consultants at the expense of the appropriate Funds.

The designation of a person as an Audit Committee Financial Expert within the meaning of the rules under Section 407 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 shall not impose any greater responsibility or liability on that person than the responsibility and liability imposed on such person as a member of the Audit Committee, nor shall it decrease the duties and obligations of other Audit Committee members or the Board of Trustees. The compensation of Audit Committee members shall be as determined by the Independent Trustees. No member of the Audit Committee may receive, directly or indirectly, any consulting, advisory or other compensatory fee from a Pioneer Fund, other than fees paid in his or her capacity as a member of the Board of Trustees or a committee of the Board.

Review. The Committee shall review this charter at least annually and shall recommend such changes to the Board of Trustees, as it deems desirable. This Charter may only be amended by the Board of Trustees. At least annually, the Audit Committee shall evaluate its own performance, including whether the Audit Committee is meeting frequently enough to discharge its responsibilities appropriately.

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### Annex A--Certain Defined Terms

Audit Committee Financial Expert means a person who has the following attributes:

- (i) An understanding of generally accepted accounting principles and financial statements;
- (ii) The ability to assess the general application of such principles in connection with the accounting for estimates, accruals and reserves;
- (iii) Experience preparing, auditing, analyzing or evaluating financial statements that present a breadth and level of complexity of accounting issues that are generally comparable to the breadth and complexity of issues that can reasonably be expected to be raised by the small business issuer's financial statements, or experience actively

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supervising one or more persons engaged in such activities;

- (iv) An understanding of internal controls and procedures for financial reporting; and
- (v) An understanding of audit committee functions.

An Audit Committee Financial Expert must have acquired such attributes through:

- (i) Education and experience as a principal financial officer, principal accounting officer, controller, public accountant or auditor or experience in one or more positions that involve the performance of similar functions;
- (ii) Experience actively supervising a principal financial officer, principal accounting officer, controller, public accountant, auditor or person performing similar functions;
- (iii) Experience overseeing or assessing the performance of companies or public accountants with respect to the preparation, auditing or evaluation of financial statements; or
- (iv) Other relevant experience.

Independent as used in this Charter means a person who is Independent as defined in both Section 303A of the NYSE Listed Company Manual and Rule 10A-3(b)(1).

### Section 303A

- 2. In order to tighten the definition of "independent director" for purposes of these standards:
  - (a) No director qualifies as "independent" unless the board of directors affirmatively determines that the director has no material relationship with the listed company (either directly or as a partner, shareholder or officer of an organization that has a relationship with the company). Companies must identify which directors are independent and disclose the basis for that determination.
  - (b) In addition, a director is not independent if:

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- (i) The director is, or has been within the last three years, an employee of the listed company, or an immediate family member is, or has been within the last three years, an executive officer, (1) of the listed company.
- (ii) The director has received, or has an immediate family member who has received, during any twelve-month period within the last three years, more than \$100,000 in direct compensation from the listed company, other than director and committee fees and pension or other forms of deferred

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compensation for prior service (provided such compensation is not contingent in any way on continued service).

- (iii) (A) The director or an immediate family member is a current partner of a firm that is the company's internal or external auditor; (B) the director is a current employee of such a firm; (C) the director has an immediate family member who is a current employee of such a firm and who participates in the firm's audit, assurance or tax compliance (but not tax planning) practice; or (D) the director or an immediate family member was within the last three years (but is no longer) a partner or employee of such a firm and personally worked on the listed company's audit within that time.
- (iv) The director or an immediate family member is, or has been within the last three years, employed as an executive officer of another company where any of the listed company's present executive officers at the same time serves or served on that company's compensation committee.

Rule 10A-3(b)(1).

(1) Independence.

- (i) Each member of the audit committee must be a member of the board of directors of the listed issuer, and must otherwise be independent; provided that, where a listed issuer is one of two dual holding companies, those companies may designate one audit committee for both companies so long as each member of the audit committee is a member of the board of directors of at least one of such dual holding companies.
- (ii) Independence requirements for non-investment company issuers. In order to be considered to be independent for purposes of this

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(1) For purposes of Section 303A, the term "executive officer" has the same meaning specified for the term "officer" in Rule 16a-1(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

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paragraph (b)(1), a member of an audit committee of a listed issuer that is not an investment company may not, other than in his or her capacity as a member of the audit committee, the board of directors, or any other board committee:

- (A) Accept directly or indirectly any consulting, advisory, or other compensatory fee from the

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issuer or any subsidiary thereof, provided that, unless the rules of the national securities exchange or national securities association provide otherwise, compensatory fees do not include the receipt of fixed amounts of compensation under a retirement plan (including deferred compensation) for prior service with the listed issuer (provided that such compensation is not contingent in any way on continued service); or

(B) Be an affiliated person of the issuer or any subsidiary thereof.

(iii) Independence requirements for investment company issuers. In order to be considered to be independent for purposes of this paragraph (b)(1), a member of an audit committee of a listed issuer that is an investment company may not, other than in his or her capacity as a member of the audit committee, the board of directors, or any other board committee:

(A) Accept directly or indirectly any consulting, advisory, or other compensatory fee from the issuer or any subsidiary thereof, provided that, unless the rules of the national securities exchange or national securities association provide otherwise, compensatory fees do not include the receipt of fixed amounts of compensation under a retirement plan (including deferred compensation) for prior service with the listed issuer (provided that such compensation is not contingent in any way on continued service); or

(B) Be an "interested person" of the issuer as defined in section 2(a)(19) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-2(a)(19)).

(iv) Exemptions from the independence requirements.

(A) For an issuer listing securities pursuant to a registration statement under section 12 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 781), or for an issuer that has a registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933 (15 U.S.C. 77a et seq.) covering an initial public offering of securities to be listed by the issuer, where in each case the listed issuer was not, immediately prior to the effective date of such registration statement, required to file reports with the

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Commission pursuant to section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78m(a) or 78o(d)):

- (1) All but one of the members of the listed issuer's audit committee may be exempt from the independence requirements of paragraph (b)(1)(ii) of this section for 90 days from the date of effectiveness of such registration statement; and
  - (2) A minority of the members of the listed issuer's audit committee may be exempt from the independence requirements of paragraph (b)(1)(ii) of this section for one year from the date of effectiveness of such registration statement.
- (B) An audit committee member that sits on the board of directors of a listed issuer and an affiliate of the listed issuer is exempt from the requirements of paragraph (b)(1)(ii)(B) of this section if the member, except for being a director on each such board of directors, otherwise meets the independence requirements of paragraph (b)(1)(ii) of this section for each such entity, including the receipt of only ordinary-course compensation for serving as a member of the board of directors, audit committee or any other board committee of each such entity.
- (C) An employee of a foreign private issuer who is not an executive officer of the foreign private issuer is exempt from the requirements of paragraph (b)(1)(ii) of this section if the employee is elected or named to the board of directors or audit committee of the foreign private issuer pursuant to the issuer's governing law or documents, an employee collective bargaining or similar agreement or other home country legal or listing requirements.
- (D) An audit committee member of a foreign private issuer may be exempt from the requirements of paragraph (b)(1)(ii)(B) of this section if that member meets the following requirements:
- (1) The member is an affiliate of the foreign private issuer or a representative of such an affiliate;
  - (2) The member has only observer status on, and is not a voting member or the chair of, the audit committee; and
  - (3) Neither the member nor the affiliate is an executive officer of the foreign private issuer.

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- (E) An audit committee member of a foreign private issuer may be exempt from the requirements of paragraph (b)(1)(ii)(B) of this section if that member meets the following requirements:
  - (1) The member is a representative or designee of a foreign government or foreign governmental entity that is an affiliate of the foreign private issuer; and
  - (2) The member is not an executive officer of the foreign private issuer.
  
- (F) In addition to paragraphs (b)(1)(iv)(A) through (E) of this section, the Commission may exempt from the requirements of paragraphs (b)(1)(ii) or (b)(1)(iii) of this section a particular relationship with respect to audit committee members, as the Commission determines appropriate in light of the circumstances.

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#### Pioneer Funds

##### Annex B -- Approval of Audit, Audit-Related, Tax and Other Services Provided by the Independent Auditor

##### Section I -- Policy Purpose and Applicability

The Pioneer Funds recognizes the importance of maintaining the independence of their outside auditors. Maintaining independence is a shared responsibility involving Pioneer Investment Management, Inc ("PIM"), the audit committee and the independent auditors.

The Funds recognizes that a Fund's independent auditors: 1) possess knowledge of the Funds, 2) are able to incorporate certain services into the scope of the audit, thereby avoiding redundant work, cost and disruption of Fund personnel and processes, and 3) have expertise that has value to the Funds. As a result, there are situations where it is desirable to use the Fund's independent auditors for services in addition to the annual audit and where the potential for conflicts of interests are minimal. Consequently, this policy, which is intended to comply with Rule 210.2-01(C)(7), sets forth guidelines and procedures to be followed by the Funds when retaining the independent audit firm to perform audit, audit-related tax and other services under those circumstances, while also maintaining independence.

Approval of a service in accordance with these policy for a Fund shall also constitute approval for any other Fund whose pre-approval is required pursuant to Rule 210.2-01(c)(7)(ii).

In addition to the procedures set forth in this policy, any non-audit services that may be provided consistently with Rule 210.2-01 may be approved by the Audit Committee itself and any pre-approval that may be waived in

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accordance with Rule 210.2-01(c) (7) (i) (C) is hereby waived.

Selection of a Fund's independent auditors and their compensation shall be determined by the Audit Committee and shall not be subject to this policy.

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### Section II -- Policy

| A. Service Category | Service Category Description  | (b) Specific Pre-Approved Service Subcategories   | Audit Committee Approval Policy  |
|---------------------|---|---|--|
| I. Audit Services   | Services that are directly related to performing the independent audit of the Funds | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Accounting research assistance</li> <li>o SEC consultation, registration statements, and reporting</li> <li>o Tax accrual related matters</li> <li>o Implementation of new accounting standards</li> <li>o Compliance letters (e.g. rating agency letters)</li> <li>o Regulatory reviews and interpretive assistance regarding financial matters</li> <li>o Semi-annual reviews (if requested)</li> <li>o Comfort letters for closed end offerings</li> <li>o AICPA attest and agreed-upon procedures</li> <li>o Technology control assessments</li> <li>o Financial reporting control assessments</li> <li>o Enterprise security architecture assessment</li> </ul> | <p>"One-time" pre-approval for the audit of all pre-approved service subcategories. Approval of the independent auditors for these services constitute pre-approval.</p> |

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### Section III -- Policy, continued



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| B. Service Category        | Service Category Description  | (c) Specific Pre-Approved Service Subcategories | Audit Committee Approval Policy   |
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| II. Audit-Related Services | Services which are not prohibited under Rule 210.2-01(C)(4) (the "Rule") and are related extensions of the audit services support the audit, or use the knowledge/expertise gained from the audit procedures as a foundation to complete the project. In most cases, if the Audit-Related Services are not performed by the Audit firm, the scope of the Audit Services would likely increase. The Services are typically well-defined and governed by accounting professional standards (AICPA, SEC, etc.) |   | Specific approval needed to exceed pre-approved d for these serv general Audit approval polic for details on specific appro<br><br>Specific appro needed to use auditors for A Services not d "pre-approved" or to add a sp service subcat "pre-approved" |

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Section III -- Policy Detail, continued

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| III. Tax Services   | Services which are not prohibited by the Rule, if an officer of the Fund determines that using the Fund's auditor to provide these services creates significant synergy in the form of efficiency, minimized disruption, or the ability to maintain a desired level of confidentiality. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Tax planning and support</li> <li>o Tax controversy assistance</li> <li>o Tax compliance, tax returns, excise tax returns and support</li> <li>o Tax opinions</li> </ul> | Specific a needed to pre-approv limits for (see gener Committee policy bel on obtaini approvals)<br><br>Specific a needed to auditors f not denote approved t or to add service su as "pre-ap |

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Section III -- Policy Detail, continued

| A. Service Category   | Service Category Description   | (d) Specific Pre-Approved Service Subcategories  | Audit Committee Approval Policy   |
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| IV. Other Services<br>a. Synergistic, unique qualifications | Services which are not prohibited by the Rule, if an officer of the Fund determines that using the Fund's auditor to provide these services creates significant synergy in the form of efficiency, minimized disruption, the ability to maintain a desired level of confidentiality, or where the Fund's auditors possess unique or superior qualifications to provide these services, resulting in superior value and results for the Fund. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Business Risk Management support</li> <li>o Other control and regulatory compliance projects</li> </ul> | <p>Specific approval needed to exceed pre-approved dollar limits for the (see general Audit Committee approval policy below for on obtaining such approvals)</p> <p>Specific approval needed to use auditors for " or "Unique Qual Other Services denoted as pre to the left, or a specific service subcategory as "pre-approved"</p> |

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Section III -- Policy Detail, continued

| B. Service Category | Service Category Description   | (c) Specific Pre-Approved Service Subcategories  | Audit Committee Approval Policy   |
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| Prohibited Services | Services which result in the auditors losing independence status under the Rule. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Bookkeeping or other services related to the accounting records or financial statements of the audit client*</li> <li>2. Financial information systems design and implementation*</li> <li>3. Appraisal or valuation services, fairness* opinions, or contribution-in-kind reports</li> <li>4. Actuarial services</li> </ol> | These services are not to be performed with the exception of the (*) services (see subcategories 1 through on the left), that may be permitted if they would not be subject to audit procedures at the audit client (as defined in Rule 2-01(f)(4)) level by the firm providing the service |

(i.e., setting  
actuarial reserves  
versus actuarial audit  
work)\*

5. Internal audit  
outsourcing services\*
  6. Management functions  
or human resources
  7. Broker or dealer,  
investment advisor, or  
investment banking  
services
  8. Legal services and  
expert services  
unrelated to the audit
  9. Any other service that  
the Public Company  
Accounting Oversight  
Board determines, by  
regulation, is  
impermissible
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General Audit Committee Approval Policy:

- o Annual de minimus approval for audit related, tax and other services with an aggregate value up to 20% of the audit and tax fees for the Pioneer Funds for such year.
- o For all projects, the officers of the Funds and the Fund's auditors will each make an assessment to determine that any proposed projects will not impair independence.
- o Potential services will be classified into the four non-restricted service categories and the "Approval of Audit, Audit-Related, Tax and Other Services" Policy above will be applied. Any services outside the specific pre-approved service subcategories set forth above must be specifically approved by the Audit Committee.
- o At least quarterly, the Audit Committee shall review a report summarizing the services by service category, including fees, provided by the Audit firm as set forth in the above policy.

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Annex C

Policy for Raising and Investigating Complaints or Concerns  
About Accounting or Auditing Matters

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As contemplated by the Audit Committee Charter, the Audit Committee of the Pioneer Funds' Board of Trustees has established the following procedures for:

the confidential, anonymous submission by employees of the Pioneer Investment Management, Inc., its parent and affiliates ("collectively, Pioneer"), as well as employees of the Funds' various service providers, of concerns regarding improprieties or questionable practices in Fund accounting or auditing matters, and

the receipt, retention and treatment of such concerns and complaints.

Some specific examples of practices that should be reported, if not adequately addressed by an officer of the Funds, include: uncorrected, material portfolio pricing errors; failure to follow valuation policies that results in a material impact on a Fund's net value; failure to correctly impose a sales charge; material deficiencies in record keeping, processing or reporting of a Fund's assets and liabilities; fraud involving a Fund's or a service provider's employees; deficiencies in the design or operation of internal controls what could adversely affect the Fund's or a service provider's ability to accurately process and report financial data concerning the Fund; a false or misleading statement or omission in connection with an audit of a Fund or preparation of any document in connection with a filing to the SEC or a failure to make a required disclosure to the Audit Committee; or, any situation that, if uncorrected, would prevent a Fund from qualifying as a regulated investment company under the Internal Revenue Code.

### Policy Objective

The objective of this policy is to provide a mechanism by which complaints and concerns regarding accounting, internal accounting controls or auditing matters may be raised and addressed without the fear or threat of retaliation. The Pioneer Funds desire and expect that the employees and officers of Pioneer, as well as other service providers to the Funds, will report any complaints or concerns they may have regarding accounting, internal accounting controls or auditing matters.

### Procedures for Raising Complaints and Concerns

Employees of Pioneer or of service providers to the Funds, as well as any other person with concerns or complaints regarding accounting, internal accounting controls or auditing matters, may submit them, in name or anonymously, in writing to the attention of Pioneer's Director of Internal Audit, at Pioneer's principal executive offices in Boston. Alternatively, such concerns or complaints may be communicated, in name or anonymously, directly to any member of the Funds' Audit Committee.

### Procedures for Investigating and Resolving Complaints and Concerns

All complaints and concerns received by the Director of Internal Audit shall be promptly forwarded to the Audit Committee of the Fund's Board or to the Chair of the Audit Committee. If sent only to the Chair, the Chair may determine whether to refer the issues

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to the entire Audit Committee. The Director will retain and forward to the Audit Committee a record of all complaints and concerns received (whether or not determined to have merit) in each fiscal quarter.

The Audit Committee will evaluate all complaints or concerns received. If

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the Audit Committee requires additional information to evaluate a complaint or concern, it may conduct an investigation, including interviews of persons believed to have relevant information, or may, in its discretion, authorize another person or entity to investigate on its behalf.

After its evaluation of the complaint or concern, the Audit Committee will recommend to the Funds such action, if any, as it deems necessary and appropriate to address the substance of the complaint or concern. The Funds reserve the right to take whatever action the Audit Committee has deemed appropriate, up to and including a request that Pioneer discharge any employee deemed to have engaged in improper conduct.

Whether a complaint or concern is submitted anonymously, the Audit Committee will strive to keep all complaints and concerns, as well as the identity of those who submit them or who participate in any investigation, confidential, and to limit disclosure to those with a business need to know.

### Retaliation Is Prohibited

Pioneer shall not penalize or retaliate against any person or entity for reporting a complaint or concern, unless it is determined by the Director of Internal Audit or the Audit Committee that the complaint or concern was raised with knowledge that it was false. Retaliation against any person or entity for submitting, or for cooperating in the investigation of, a complaint or concern will not be tolerated by Pioneer or the Funds, and will warrant disciplinary action against the offending party, up to and including termination of employment. In addition, retaliation is unlawful, and may result in criminal action.

Pioneer will distribute this policy to all employees, and will arrange for its distribution to all Fund service providers.

The Pioneer Funds shall retain records of all complaints and concerns received by them, and a record of their disposition, for a minimum of five years from the date of the report.

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### PROXY FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS OF PIONEER HIGH INCOME TRUST To be held August 16, 2005

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Signature of joint owner, if any

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01. Margaret B.W. Graham    02. Osbert M. Hood    03. John Winthrop

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PROXY FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS OF  
PIONEER TAX ADVANTAGED BALANCED TRUST  
To be held August 16, 2005

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I (we), the undersigned holders(s) of preferred shares of beneficial interest, having received notice of the meeting and management's proxy statement therefor, and revoking all prior proxies, hereby appoint John F. Cogan, Jr., Dorothy E. Bourassa, Christopher J. Kelley and David C. Phelan, and each of them, my (our) attorneys (with full power of substitution in them and each of them) for and in my (our) name(s) to attend the Annual Meeting of Shareholders of my (our) fund to be held on August 16, 2005, at 2:00 p.m. (Boston time) at the offices of Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP, counsel to the fund, 60 State Street, 26th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02109, and any adjourned session or sessions thereof, and there to vote and act upon the following matters (as more fully described in the accompanying proxy statement) in respect of all preferred shares of beneficial interest of the fund which I (we) will be entitled to vote or act upon, with all the powers I (we) would possess if personally present.

IN THEIR DISCRETION, THE PROXIES ARE AUTHORIZED TO VOTE UPON SUCH OTHER BUSINESS AS MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE MEETING. THE SHARES REPRESENTED BY THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED AS DIRECTED BY THE UNDERSIGNED.

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NOTE: In signing, please write name(s) exactly as appearing hereon. When signing as attorney, executor, administrator or other fiduciary, please give your full title as such. Joint owners should each sign personally.

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Signature

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Signature of joint owner, if any

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