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**Organizations' NAME: NEW YORK STATE  
INSURANCE FUND**

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**TITLE: "Cover Letter"**

**TERM: SPRING 2024**

To: **Mr./ Ms. Hireling**

From: **Daanial Ahmad**

Date: 06/14/2024

Subject: For the position of **Assistant Corporate Bond Portfolio Manager**

**Dear Hiring Manager,**

I am writing in response to your description on StateJobsNY website of a possible Assistant Corporate Bond Portfolio Manager opportunity in New York STATE INSURANCE FUND (NYSIF). I am a recent Financial Engineering graduate from Cornell University, where the courses that I have taken such as Bond Math and Mortgage-Backed Securities, , Quantitative Trading Strategies, Operation Research Tools for Financial Engineering just to name a few has positioned me to work as a Bond Portfolio Manager successfully by assisting Corporate Portfolio Manager in developing strategies for NYSIF's corporate bond portfolio, recommend corporate credit strategies at both the sector and individual company level and performance of credit risk analyses, execute the purchase and sale of corporate bonds and related responsibilities including but not limited to sourcing securities, processing trades and assisting in settlement or operational issues, maintain a thorough knowledge of the corporate credit markets and develop ideas not limited to relative value and fundamental analysis, establishing and maintaining connections with trading and syndicate partners , securities lending providers and financial institutions, assist routine reporting and results of NYSIF's corporate bond portfolio, ensure compliance with investment policy guidelines, support the execution of government and security agencies along with many other responsibilities that will be trusted to me from time to time. I am a very responsible hardworking student who has a track record of successfully completing 18 to 20 credit hours each semester of my Graduate School journey to strengthen my Quantitative skills so that these efforts that I had made could make me a desirable job candidate for the job that I am applying for. This workload has made me very attentive, detail oriented along with producing quality output under a deadline driven

environment. I always focus on combining creativity, rigor and paying attention to details (because as a Quant I will be handling other people's money), and I look forward with these attributes to work as a Quantitative Research Analyst at NYSIF. I am thankful for your consideration, and I look forward to hearing from you.

All the best,

Daanial Ahmad