

# Prospectus

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## GOLDMAN SACHS VARIABLE INSURANCE TRUST

- Goldman Sachs Growth and Income Fund
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- Goldman Sachs International Equity Fund

Shares of the Trust are offered to separate accounts of participating life insurance companies for the purpose of funding variable annuity contracts and variable life insurance policies. Shares of the Trust are not offered directly to the general public. A particular Fund may not be available under the variable annuity contract or variable life insurance policy which you have chosen. The prospectus of your specific insurance product will indicate which Funds are available and should be read in conjunction with this prospectus. Inclusion in this prospectus of a Fund which is not available under your contract or policy is not to be considered a solicitation.

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**No Bank Guarantee**

# General Investment Management Approach

Goldman Sachs Asset Management (“GSAM”), a business unit of the Investment Management Division (“IMD”) of Goldman, Sachs & Co. (“Goldman Sachs”), serves as investment adviser to the Growth and Income, CORE U.S. Equity, CORE Small Cap Equity, Capital Growth and Mid Cap Value Funds. Goldman Sachs Asset Management International (“GSAMI”) serves as investment adviser to the International Equity Fund. GSAM and GSAMI are each referred to in this Prospectus as the “Investment Adviser.”

Goldman Sachs Variable Insurance Trust (the “Trust”) offers shares of the Funds to separate accounts of participating insurance companies for the purpose of funding variable annuity contracts and variable life insurance policies. Shares of the Trust are not offered directly to the public. The participating insurance companies, not the owners of the variable annuity contracts or variable life insurance policies or participants therein, are shareholders of a Fund. Each Fund pools the monies of these separate accounts and invests these monies in a portfolio of securities pursuant to the Fund’s stated investment objectives.

The investment objectives and policies of the Funds are similar to the investment objectives and policies of other mutual funds that the Investment Adviser manages. Although the objectives and policies may be similar, the investment results of the Funds may be higher or lower than the results of such other mutual funds. The Investment Adviser cannot guarantee, and makes no representation, that the investment results of similar funds will be comparable even though the funds have the same Investment Adviser.

Goldman Sachs’ Investment Philosophies for the Growth and Income, CORE U.S. Equity, CORE Small Cap Equity, Capital Growth, Mid Cap Value and International Equity Funds (the “Equity Funds”):

## EQUITY FUNDS

### VALUE STYLE FUNDS

Goldman Sachs’ Value Investment Philosophy:  
*Through intensive, hands-on research our portfolio team seeks to identify:*

- 1. Well-positioned businesses that have:**
  - Attractive returns on capital.
  - Sustainable earnings and cash flow.
  - Strong company management focused on long-term returns to shareholders.
- 2. Attractive valuation opportunities where:**
  - The intrinsic value of the business is not reflected in the stock price.

Business quality, conservative valuation, and thoughtful portfolio construction are the key elements of our value approach.

### GROWTH STYLE FUNDS

Goldman Sachs’ Growth Investment Philosophy:

- 1. Invest as if buying the company/business, not simply trading its stock:**
  - Understand the business, management, products and competition.
  - Perform intensive, hands-on fundamental research.
  - Seek businesses with strategic competitive advantages.
  - Over the long-term, expect each company’s stock price ultimately to track the growth in the value of the business.
- 2. Buy high-quality growth businesses that possess strong business franchises, favorable long-term prospects and excellent management.**
- 3. Purchase superior long-term growth companies at a favorable price—seek to purchase at a fair valuation, giving the investor the potential to fully capture returns from above-average growth rates.**

Growth companies have earnings expectations that exceed those of the stock market as a whole.

### QUANTITATIVE (“CORE”) STYLE FUNDS

Goldman Sachs’ CORE Investment Philosophy:

Goldman Sachs’ quantitative style of funds—CORE (Computer Optimized Research Enhanced)—emphasizes the two building blocks of active management: **stock selection** and **portfolio construction**.

#### I. CORE Stock Selection

The CORE U.S. Equity and CORE Small Cap Equity Funds (the “CORE Funds”) use the Goldman Sachs’ proprietary multifactor model (“Multifactor Model”), a rigorous computerized rating system, to forecast the returns of securities held in each Fund’s portfolio. The Multifactor Model incorporates common variables covering measures of:

- **Research** (What do fundamental analysts think about the company and its prospects?)

- **Value** (How is the company priced relative to fundamental accounting measures?)
- **Momentum** (What are medium-term price trends? How has the price responded to new information?)
- **Profitability** (What is the company's margin on sales? How efficient are its operations?)
- **Earnings Quality** (Were earnings derived from sustainable (cash-based) sources?)

*All of the above factors are carefully evaluated within the Multifactor Model since each has demonstrated a significant impact on the performance of the securities and markets they were designed to forecast. Stock selection in this process combines both our quantitative and qualitative analysis.*

## II. CORE Portfolio Construction

A proprietary risk model, which is intended to identify and measure risk as accurately as possible, includes all the above factors used in the return model to select stocks, as well as several other factors associated with risk but not return. In this process, the Investment Adviser manages risk by attempting to limit deviations from the benchmark, and by attempting to run a size and sector neutral portfolio. A **computer optimizer** evaluates many different security combinations (considering many possible weightings) in an effort **to construct the most efficient risk/return portfolio** given each CORE Fund's benchmark.

Goldman Sachs CORE Funds are fully invested, broadly diversified and offer consistent overall portfolio characteristics. They may serve as good foundations on which to build a portfolio.

## ACTIVE INTERNATIONAL STYLE FUND

### Goldman Sachs' Active International Investment Philosophy:

Belief	How the Investment Adviser Acts on Belief
■ Equity markets are inefficient	Seeks excess return through team driven, research intensive and bottom-up stock selection.
■ Returns are variable	Seeks to capitalize on variability of market and regional returns through asset allocation decisions.
■ Corporate fundamentals ultimately drive share price	Seeks to conduct rigorous, first-hand research of business and company management.
■ A business' intrinsic value will be achieved over time	Seeks to realize value through a long-term investment horizon.
■ Portfolio risk must be carefully analyzed and monitored	Seeks to systematically monitor and manage risk through diversification, multifactor risk models and currency management.

The Investment Adviser attempts to manage risk in the Fund through disciplined portfolio construction and continual portfolio review and analysis. As a result, bottom-up stock selection, driven by fundamental research, should be a main driver of returns.

References in this Prospectus to a Fund's benchmark or benchmarks are for informational purposes only, and unless otherwise noted are not an indication of how a particular Fund is managed.

# Fund Investment Objectives and Strategies

## Goldman Sachs Growth and Income Fund

FUND FACTS	
Objective:	Long-term growth of capital and growth of income
Benchmark:	S&P 500® Index
Investment Focus:	Large-cap U.S. equity investments with an emphasis on undervalued stocks
Investment Style:	Value

### INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The Fund seeks long-term growth of capital and growth of income.

### PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGIES

**Equity Investments.** The Fund invests, under normal circumstances, at least 65% of its total assets (not including securities lending collateral and any investment of that collateral) measured at time of purchase (“Total Assets”) in equity investments that the Investment Adviser considers to have favorable prospects for capital appreciation and/or dividend-paying ability. Although the Fund will invest primarily in publicly traded U.S. securities, it may invest up to 25% of its Total Assets in foreign securities, including securities of issuers in countries with emerging markets or economies (“emerging countries”) and securities quoted in foreign currencies.

**Other.** The Fund may also invest up to 35% of its Total Assets in fixed-income securities, such as government, corporate and bank debt obligations, that offer the potential to further the Fund’s investment objective.

## Goldman Sachs CORE U.S. Equity Fund

FUND FACTS	
Objective:	Long-term growth of capital and dividend income
Benchmark:	S&P 500® Index
Investment Focus:	Large-cap U.S. equity investments
Investment Style:	Quantitative, applied to large-cap growth and value (blend) stocks

### INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The Fund seeks long-term growth of capital and dividend income. The Fund seeks this objective through a broadly diversified portfolio of large-cap and blue chip equity investments representing all major sectors of the U.S. economy.

### PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGIES

**Equity Investments.** The Fund invests, under normal circumstances, at least 90% of its total assets (not including securities lending collateral and any investment of that collateral) measured at time of purchase in a diversified portfolio of equity investments in U.S. issuers, including foreign companies that are traded in the United States.

The Fund’s investments are selected using both a variety of quantitative techniques and fundamental research in seeking to maximize the Fund’s expected return, while maintaining risk, style, capitalization and industry characteristics similar to the S&P 500® Index. The Fund seeks a broad representation in most major sectors of the U.S. economy and a portfolio consisting of companies with average long-term earnings growth expectations and dividend yields.

**Other.** The Fund’s investments in fixed-income securities are limited to securities that are considered cash equivalents.

## Goldman Sachs CORE Small Cap Equity Fund

### FUND FACTS

Objective:	Long-term growth of capital
Benchmark:	Russell 2000® Index
Investment Focus:	Equity investments in small-cap U.S. companies
Investment Style:	Quantitative, applied to small-cap growth and value (blend) stocks

### INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The Fund seeks long-term growth of capital. The Fund seeks this objective through a broadly diversified portfolio of equity investments in U.S. issuers which are included in the Russell 2000® Index at the time of investment.

### PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGIES

**Equity Investments.** The Fund invests, under normal circumstances, at least 80% of its net assets plus any borrowings for investment purposes (measured at time of purchase) in a broadly diversified portfolio of equity investments in small-cap U.S. issuers, including foreign issuers that are traded in the United States. These issuers will have public stock market capitalizations (based upon shares available for trading on an unrestricted basis) within the range of the market capitalization of companies constituting the Russell 2000® Index at the time of investment. If the market capitalization of a company held by the Fund moves outside this range, the Fund may, but is not required to, sell the securities. The capitalization range of the Russell 2000® Index is currently between \$1.9 million and \$3.3 billion.

The Fund's investments are selected using both a variety of quantitative techniques and fundamental research in seeking to maximize the Fund's expected return, while maintaining risk, style, capitalization and industry characteristics similar to the Russell 2000® Index. The Fund seeks a portfolio consisting of companies with small market capitalizations, strong expected earnings growth and momentum, and better valuation and risk characteristics than the Russell 2000® Index.

**Other.** The Fund's investments in fixed-income securities are limited to securities that are considered cash equivalents.

## Goldman Sachs Capital Growth Fund

### FUND FACTS

Objective:	Long-term growth of capital
Benchmark:	S&P 500® Index
Investment Focus:	Large-cap U.S. equity investments that offer long-term capital appreciation potential
Investment Style:	Growth

### INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The Fund seeks long-term growth of capital.

### PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGIES

**Equity Investments.** The Fund invests, under normal circumstances, at least 90% of its total assets (not including securities lending collateral and any investment of that collateral) measured at time of purchase ("Total Assets") in equity investments. The Fund seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing in a diversified portfolio of equity investments that are considered by the Investment Adviser to have long-term capital appreciation potential. Although the Fund invests primarily in publicly traded U.S. securities, it may invest up to 10% of its Total Assets in foreign securities, including securities of issuers in emerging countries and securities quoted in foreign currencies.

## Goldman Sachs Mid Cap Value Fund

### FUND FACTS

Objective:	Long-term capital appreciation
Benchmark:	Russell Midcap® Value Index
Investment Focus:	Mid-cap U.S. equity investments that are believed to be undervalued or undiscovered by the marketplace
Investment Style:	Value

### INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The Fund seeks long-term capital appreciation.

### PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGIES

**Equity Investments.** The Fund invests, under normal circumstances, at least 80% of its net assets plus any borrowings for investment purposes (measured at time of purchase) (“Net Assets”) in a diversified portfolio of equity investments in mid-cap issuers with public stock market capitalizations (based upon shares available for trading on an unrestricted basis) within the range of the market capitalization of companies constituting the Russell Midcap® Value Index at the time of investment. If the market capitalization of a company held by the Fund moves outside this range, the Fund may, but is not required to, sell the securities. The capitalization range of the Russell Midcap® Value Index is currently between \$60 million and \$16 billion. Although the Fund will invest primarily in publicly traded U.S. securities, it may invest up to 25% of its Net Assets in foreign securities, including securities of issuers in emerging countries and securities quoted in foreign currencies.

**Other.** The Fund may invest in the aggregate up to 20% of its Net Assets in companies with public stock market capitalizations outside the range of companies constituting the Russell Midcap Value® Index at the time of investment and in fixed-income securities, such as government, corporate and bank debt obligations.

## Goldman Sachs International Equity Fund

### FUND FACTS

Objective:	Long-term capital appreciation
Benchmark:	MSCI® Europe, Australasia, Far East (“EAFE®”) Index (unhedged)
Investment Focus:	Equity investments in companies organized outside the United States or whose securities are principally traded outside the United States
Investment Style:	Active International

### INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The Fund seeks long-term capital appreciation.

### PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGIES

**Equity Investments.** The Fund invests, under normal circumstances, substantially all, and at least 80% of its net assets plus any borrowings for investment purposes (measured at time of purchase) (“Net Assets”) in a diversified portfolio of equity investments in companies that are organized outside the United States or whose securities are principally traded outside the United States. The Fund intends to invest in companies with public stock market capitalizations that are larger than \$1 billion at the time of investment.

The Fund may allocate its assets among countries as determined by the Investment Adviser from time to time, provided the Fund’s assets are invested in at least three foreign countries.

The Fund expects to invest a substantial portion of its assets in the securities of issuers located in the developed countries of Western Europe and in Japan. However, the Fund may also invest in the securities of issuers located in Australia, Canada, New Zealand and in emerging countries. Currently, emerging countries include, among others, most Latin and South American, African, Asian and Eastern European nations.

**Other.** The Fund may also invest up to 20% of its Net Assets in fixed-income securities, such as government, corporate and bank debt obligations.

# Other Investment Practices and Securities (Equity Funds)

The table below identifies some of the investment techniques that may (but are not required to) be used by the Equity Funds in seeking to achieve their investment objectives. The table also highlights the differences among the Funds in their use of these techniques and other investment practices and investment securities. Numbers in this table show allowable usage only; for actual usage, consult the Funds' annual/semi-annual reports. For more information see Appendix A.

	Growth and Income Fund	CORE U.S. Equity Fund	CORE Small Cap Equity Fund	Capital Growth Fund	Mid Cap Value Fund	International Equity Fund
<i>10</i> Percent of total assets (including securities lending collateral) ( <i>italic type</i> )						
10 Percent of net assets (excluding borrowings for investment purposes) (roman type)						
• No specific percentage limitation on usage; limited only by the objectives and strategies of the Fund						
— Not permitted						
<b>Investment Practices</b>						
Borrowings	33 <sup>1/3</sup>	33 <sup>1/3</sup>	33 <sup>1/3</sup>	33 <sup>1/3</sup>	33 <sup>1/3</sup>	33 <sup>1/3</sup>
Cross Hedging of Currencies	•	•	•	•	•	•
Currency Swaps*	—	—	—	—	—	15
Custodial Receipts and Trust Certificates	•	•	•	•	•	•
Equity Swaps*	15	15	15	15	15	15
Foreign Currency Transactions**	•	•	•	•	•	•
Futures Contracts and Options on Futures Contracts	•	• <sup>1</sup>	• <sup>2</sup>	•	•	•
Investment Company Securities (including iShares <sup>SM</sup> and Standard & Poor's Depository Receipts <sup>TM</sup> )	10	10	10	10	10	10
Options on Foreign Currencies <sup>3</sup>	•	•	•	•	•	•
Options on Securities and Securities Indices <sup>4</sup>	•	•	•	•	•	•
Repurchase Agreements	•	•	•	•	•	•
Securities Lending	33 <sup>1/3</sup>	33 <sup>1/3</sup>	33 <sup>1/3</sup>	33 <sup>1/3</sup>	33 <sup>1/3</sup>	33 <sup>1/3</sup>
Short Sales Against the Box	25	—	—	25	25	25
Unseasoned Companies	•	•	•	•	•	•
Warrants and Stock Purchase Rights	•	•	•	•	•	•
When-Issued and Forward Commitments	•	•	•	•	•	•
<i>10</i> Percent of total assets (excluding securities lending collateral) ( <i>italic type</i> )						
10 Percent of net assets (including borrowings for investment purposes) (roman type)						
• No specific percentage limitation on usage; limited only by the objectives and strategies of the Fund						
— Not permitted						
<b>Investment Securities</b>						
American, European and Global Depository Receipts	•	• <sup>5</sup>	• <sup>5</sup>	•	•	•
Asset-Backed and Mortgage-Backed Securities <sup>6</sup>	•	—	—	•	•	•
Bank Obligations <sup>6,7</sup>	•	•	•	•	•	•
Convertible Securities <sup>8</sup>	•	•	•	•	•	•
Corporate Debt Obligations <sup>6</sup>	•	• <sup>9</sup>	• <sup>9</sup>	•	•	•
Equity Investments	65+	90+	80+	90+	80+	80+
Emerging Country Securities	25 <sup>10</sup>	—	—	10 <sup>10</sup>	25 <sup>10</sup>	•
Fixed Income Securities <sup>11</sup>	35	10 <sup>9</sup>	20 <sup>9</sup>	•	20 <sup>12</sup>	20
Foreign Securities	25 <sup>10</sup>	• <sup>13</sup>	• <sup>13</sup>	10 <sup>10</sup>	25 <sup>10</sup>	•
Foreign Government Securities <sup>6</sup>	—	—	—	—	—	•
Non-Investment Grade Fixed Income Securities <sup>6</sup>	10 <sup>14</sup>	—	—	10 <sup>14</sup>	10 <sup>15</sup>	20 <sup>14</sup>
Real Estate Investment Trusts ("REITs")	•	•	•	•	•	•
Structured Securities*	•	•	•	•	•	•
Temporary Investments	100	35	35	100	100	100
U.S. Government Securities <sup>6</sup>	•	•	•	•	•	•

\* Limited to 15% of net assets (together with other illiquid securities) for all structured securities which are not deemed to be liquid and all swap transactions.

\*\* Limited by the amount the Fund invests in foreign securities.

<sup>1</sup> The CORE U.S. Equity Fund may enter into futures transactions only with respect to the S&P 500® Index.

<sup>2</sup> The CORE Small Cap Equity Fund may enter into futures transactions only with respect to a representative index.

<sup>3</sup> The Funds may purchase and sell call and put options.

<sup>4</sup> The Funds may sell covered call and put options and purchase call and put options.

<sup>5</sup> The CORE Funds may not invest in European Depository Receipts.

<sup>6</sup> Limited by the amount the Fund invests in fixed-income securities.

<sup>7</sup> Bank obligations may be issued by U.S. banks, or foreign banks, to the extent that the Fund invests in foreign securities.

<sup>8</sup> The CORE Funds have no minimum rating criteria and all other Funds use the same rating criteria for convertible and non-convertible debt securities.

<sup>9</sup> Cash equivalents only.

<sup>10</sup> Growth and Income and Capital Growth Funds may invest in the aggregate up to 25% and 10%, respectively, of their Total Assets in foreign securities, including emerging country securities. The Mid Cap Value Fund may invest in the aggregate up to 25% of its Net Assets in foreign securities, including emerging market securities.

<sup>11</sup> Except as noted under "Non-Investment Grade Fixed Income Securities," fixed-income securities must be investment grade (i.e., BBB or higher by Standard & Poor's Rating Group ("Standard & Poor's") or Baa or higher by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("Moody's")) at the time of investment.

<sup>12</sup> The Mid Cap Value Fund may invest in the aggregate up to 20% of its Net Assets in (1) securities of companies with public stock market capitalizations outside the range of companies constituting the Russell Midcap Value Index at the time of investment and (2) fixed-income securities.

<sup>13</sup> Equity securities of foreign issuers must be traded in the United States.

<sup>14</sup> May be BB or lower by Standard & Poor's or Ba or lower by Moody's at the time of investment.

<sup>15</sup> Must be B or higher by Standard and Poor's or B or higher by Moody's at the time of investment.

## Principal Risks of the Funds

Loss of money is a risk of investing in each Fund. An investment in a Fund is not a deposit of any bank and is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other governmental agency. The following summarizes important risks that apply to the Funds and may result in a loss of your investment. None of the Funds should be relied upon as a complete investment program. There can be no assurance that a Fund will achieve its investment objective.

- Applicable
- Not Applicable

Fund	Interest Rate	Credit/Default	Foreign	Emerging Countries	Derivatives	Management	Liquidity	Market	Stock	NAV	Geographic	Small Cap	Initial Public Offering ("IPO")
Growth and Income	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	—	—	—
CORE U.S. Equity	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	—	—	—
CORE Small Cap Equity	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	—	•	—
Capital Growth	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	—	—	—
Mid Cap Value	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	—	•	•
International Equity	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	—	—

### RISKS THAT APPLY TO ALL FUNDS:

- **Interest Rate Risk**—The risk that when interest rates increase, securities held by a Fund will decline in value. Long-term fixed-income securities will normally have more price volatility because of this risk than short-term fixed-income securities.
- **Credit/Default Risk**—The risk that an issuer or guarantor of fixed-income securities held by a Fund may default on its obligation to pay interest and repay principal.
- **Foreign Risk**—The risk that when a Fund invests in foreign securities, it will be subject to risks of loss not typically associated with domestic issuers. Loss may result because of less foreign government regulation, less public information and less economic, political and social stability. Loss may also result from the imposition of exchange controls, confiscations and other government restrictions. A Fund will also be subject to the risk of negative foreign currency rate fluctuations. Foreign risks will normally be greatest when a Fund invests in issuers located in emerging countries.
- **Emerging Countries Risk**—The securities markets of Asian, Latin and South American, Eastern European, African and other emerging countries are less liquid, are especially subject to greater price volatility, have smaller market capitalizations, have less government regulation and are not subject to as extensive and frequent accounting, financial and other reporting requirements as the securities markets of more developed countries. Further, investment in

equity securities of issuers located in Russia and certain other emerging countries involves risk of loss resulting from problems in share registration and custody and substantial economic and political disruptions. These risks are not normally associated with investments in more developed countries.

- **Derivatives Risk**—The risk that loss may result from a Fund's investments in options, futures, swaps, structured securities and other derivative instruments. These instruments may be leveraged so that small changes may produce disproportionate losses to a Fund.
- **Management Risk**—The risk that a strategy used by the Investment Adviser may fail to produce the intended results.
- **Liquidity Risk**—The risk that a Fund will not be able to pay redemption proceeds within the time period stated in this Prospectus because of unusual market conditions, an unusually high volume of redemption requests, or other reasons. Funds that invest in non-investment grade fixed-income securities, small capitalization stocks, REITs or emerging country issuers will be especially subject to the risk that during certain periods the liquidity of particular issuers or industries, or all securities within particular investment categories, will shrink or disappear suddenly and without warning as a result of adverse economic market or political events, or adverse investor perceptions whether or not accurate.

- **Market Risk**—The risk that the value of the securities in which a Fund invests may go up or down in response to the prospects of individual companies, particular industry sectors and/or general economic conditions. Price changes may be temporary or last for extended periods. A Fund’s investments may be overweighted from time to time in one or more industry sectors, which will increase the Fund’s exposure to risk of loss from adverse developments affecting those sectors.
- **NAV Risk**—The risk that the net asset value (“NAV”) of the Fund and the value of your investment will fluctuate.
- **Stock Risk**—The risk that stock prices have historically risen and fallen in periodic cycles. Recently, U.S. and foreign stock markets have experienced substantial price volatility.

**RISKS THAT ARE PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT FOR SPECIFIC FUNDS:**

- **Geographic Risks**—Concentration of the investments of the International Equity Fund, in issuers located in a particular country or region will subject the Fund, to a greater extent than if investments were less concentrated, to risks of adverse securities markets, exchange rates and social, political, regulatory or economic events in that country or region.

- **Small Cap Risk**—The securities of small capitalization stocks involve greater risks than those associated with larger, more established companies and may be subject to more abrupt or erratic price movements. Securities of such issuers may lack sufficient market liquidity to enable a Fund to effect sales at an advantageous time or without a substantial drop in price.
- **IPO Risk**—The risk that the market value of IPO shares will fluctuate considerably due to factors such as the absence of a prior public market, unseasoned trading, the small number of shares available for trading and limited information about the issuer. The purchase of IPO shares may involve high transaction costs. IPO shares are subject to market risk and liquidity risk. When a Fund’s asset base is small, a significant portion of the Fund’s performance could be attributable to investments in IPOs, because such investments would have a magnified impact on the Fund. As the Fund’s assets grow, the effect of the Fund’s investments in IPOs on the Fund’s performance probably will decline, which could reduce the Fund’s performance.

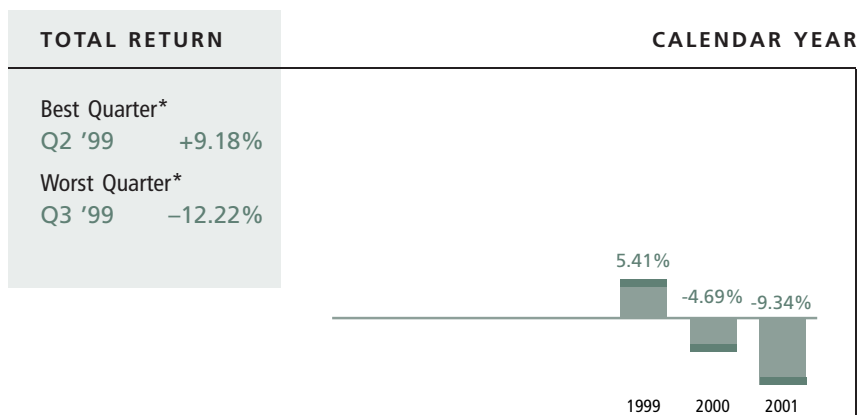
More information about the Funds’ portfolio securities and investment techniques, and their associated risks, is provided in Appendix A. You should consider the investment risks discussed in this section and in Appendix A. Both are important to your investment choice.

# Fund Performance

## HOW THE FUNDS HAVE PERFORMED

The bar chart and table provide an indication of the risks of investing in a Fund by showing: (a) changes in the performance of a Fund's shares from year to year; and (b) how the average annual total returns of a Fund's shares compares to those of broad-based securities market indices. The bar chart and table assume reinvestment of dividends and distributions. A Fund's past performance is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future. Performance reflects expense limitations in effect. If expense limitations were not in place, a Fund's performance would have been reduced.

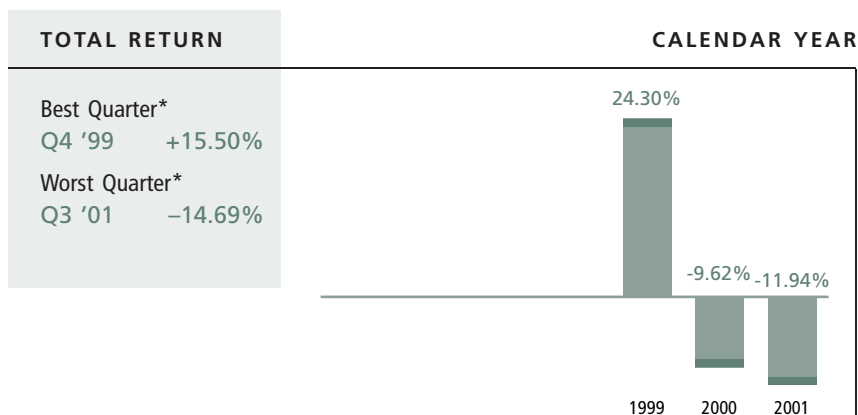
# Growth and Income Fund



AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURN		
For the period ended December 31, 2001	1 Year	Since Inception
<b>Fund</b> (Inception 1/12/98)	-9.34%	-1.00%
S&P 500 Index**	-11.88%	6.90%

\* Please note that "Best Quarter" and "Worst Quarter" figures are applicable only to the time period covered by the bar chart.  
 \*\* The S&P 500® Index is the Standard & Poor's 500 Composite Stock Price Index of 500 stocks, an unmanaged index of common stock prices. The Index figures do not reflect any deduction for fees or expenses.

# CORE U.S. Equity Fund

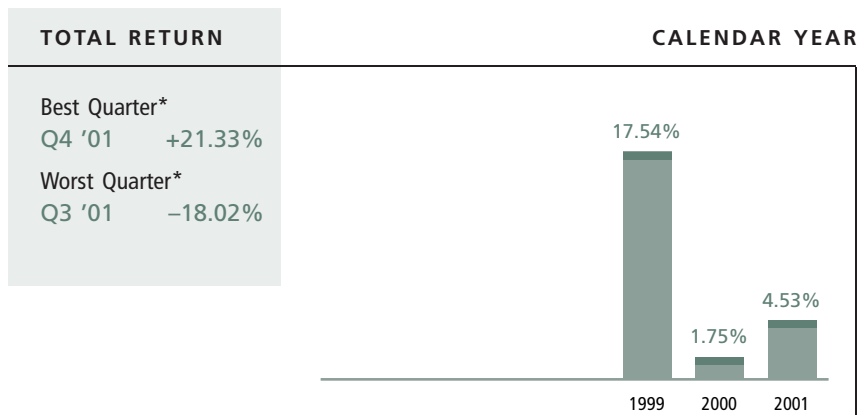


## AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURN

For the period ended December 31, 2001	1 Year	Since Inception
Fund (Inception 2/13/98)	-11.94%	3.31%
S&P 500® Index**	-11.88%	4.33%

\* Please note that "Best Quarter" and "Worst Quarter" figures are applicable only to the time period covered by the bar chart.  
 \*\* The S&P 500® Index is the Standard & Poor's 500 Composite Stock Price Index of 500 stocks, an unmanaged index of common stock prices. The Index figures do not reflect any deduction for fees or expenses.

# CORE Small Cap Equity Fund



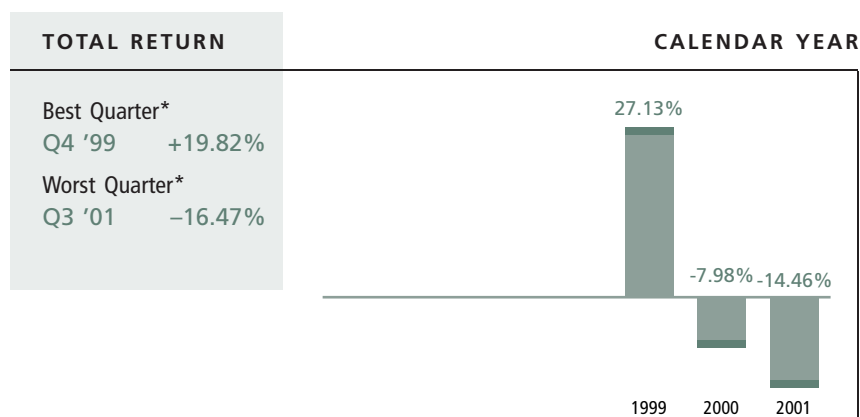
## AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURN

For the period ended December 31, 2001	1 Year	Since Inception
<b>Fund</b> (Inception 2/13/98)	4.53%	3.29%
Russell 2000® Index**	2.49%	3.33%

\* Please note that "Best Quarter" and "Worst Quarter" figures are applicable only to the time period covered by the bar chart.

\*\* The Russell 2000® Index is an unmanaged index of common stock prices that measures the performance of the 2000 smallest companies in the Russell 3000® Index. The Index figures do not reflect any deduction for fees or expenses.

# Capital Growth Fund



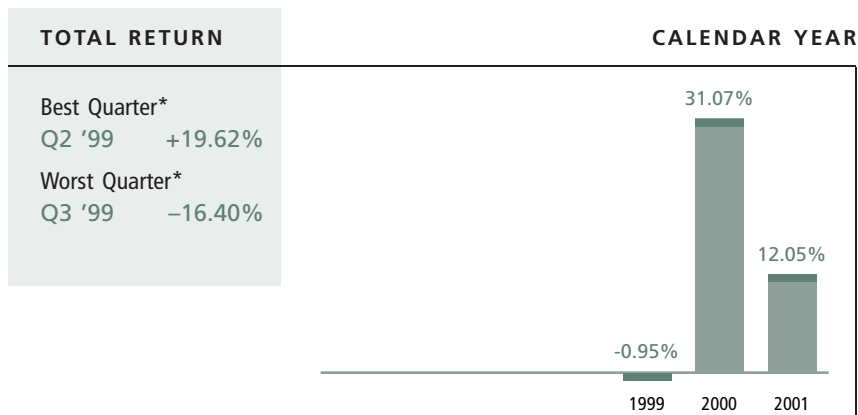
## AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURN

For the period ended December 31, 2001	1 Year	Since Inception
Fund (Inception 4/30/98)	-14.46%	3.50%
S&P 500® Index**	-11.88%	2.19%

\* Please note that "Best Quarter" and "Worst Quarter" figures are applicable only to the time period covered by the bar chart.

\*\* The S&P 500® Index is the Standard & Poor's 500 Composite Stock Price Index of 500 stocks, an unmanaged index of common stock prices. The Index figures do not reflect any deduction for fees or expenses.

# Mid Cap Value Fund



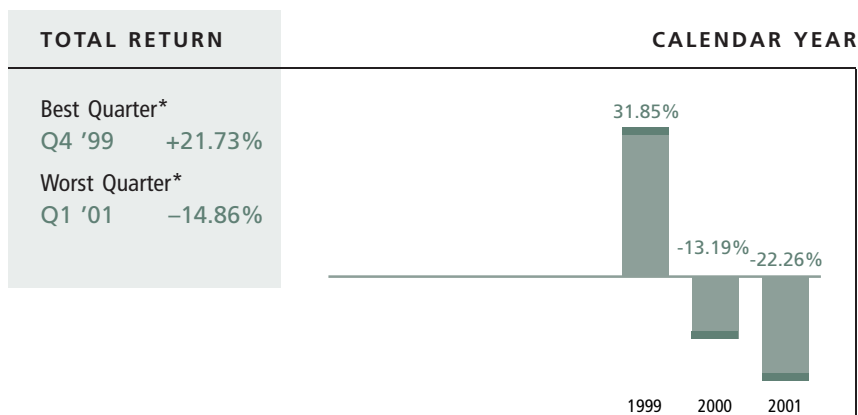
## AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURN

For the period ended December 31, 2001	1 Year	Since Inception
<b>Fund</b> (Inception 5/1/98)	12.05%	6.43%
Russell Midcap Value Index**	2.32%	4.38%

\* Please note that "Best Quarter" and "Worst Quarter" figures are applicable only to the time period covered by the bar chart.

\*\* The Russell Midcap® Value Index is a unmanaged index of common stock prices that measures the performance of those Russell Midcap companies with lower price-to-book ratios and lower forecasted growth values. The Index figures do not reflect any deduction for fees or expenses.

# International Equity Fund



## AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURN

For the period ended December 31, 2001	1 Year	Since Inception
Fund (Inception 1/12/98)	-22.26%	1.68%
MSCI® EAFE® (unhedged)**	-21.21%	1.65%

\* Please note that "Best Quarter" and "Worst Quarter" figures are applicable only to the time period covered by the bar chart.

\*\* The unmanaged MSCI® EAFE® Index (unhedged) is a market capitalization-weighted composite of securities in 21 developed markets. The Index figures do not reflect any deduction for fees or expenses.

# Service Providers

## INVESTMENT ADVISERS

Investment Advisers	Fund
Goldman Sachs Asset Management ("GSAM") 32 Old Slip New York, New York 10005	Growth and Income CORE U.S. Equity CORE Small Cap Equity Capital Growth Mid Cap Value
Goldman Sachs Asset Management International ("GSAMI") Procession House 55 Ludgate Hill London, England EC4M 7JW	International Equity

GSAM is a business unit of the IMD of Goldman Sachs. Goldman Sachs registered as an investment adviser in 1981. GSAMI, a member of the Investment Management Regulatory Organization Limited since 1990 and a registered investment adviser since 1991, is an affiliate of Goldman Sachs. As of December 31, 2001, GSAM and GSAMI, along with other units of IMD, had assets under management of \$329.6 billion.

The Investment Adviser provides day-to-day advice regarding the Funds' portfolio transactions. The Investment Adviser makes the investment decisions for the Funds and places purchase and sale orders for the Funds' portfolio transactions in U.S. and foreign markets. As permitted by applicable law, these orders may be directed to any brokers, including Goldman Sachs and its affiliates. While the Investment Adviser is ultimately responsible for the management of the Funds, it is able to draw upon the research and expertise of its asset management affiliates for portfolio decisions and management with respect to certain portfolio securities. In addition, the Investment Adviser has access to the research and certain proprietary technical models developed by Goldman Sachs, and may apply quantitative and qualitative analysis in determining the appropriate allocations among categories of issuers and types of securities.

The Investment Adviser also performs the following additional services for the Funds:

- Supervises all non-advisory operations of the Funds
- Provides personnel to perform necessary executive, administrative and clerical services to the Funds
- Arranges for the preparation of all required tax returns, reports to shareholders, prospectuses and statements of additional information ("Additional Statements") and other reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and other regulatory authorities
- Maintains the records of each Fund

- Provides office space and all necessary office equipment and services

The Investment Adviser, Distributor, and/or their affiliates may, from time to time, pay compensation from their own assets (and not as an additional charge to the Funds) to participating insurance companies for administrative services that such companies provide to their variable annuity and variable life insurance contract owners who are invested in the Funds. In addition, the Investment Advisers Distributor, and/or their affiliates may, from time to time, pay compensation from their own assets (and not as an additional charge to the Funds) to various securities dealers (including affiliates of participating insurance companies) that distribute variable annuity contracts and/or variable life insurance contracts of such companies in connection with the sale, distribution and/or servicing of such contracts and, subject to applicable National Association of Securities Dealers rules, contribute to various cash and non-cash incentive arrangements to promote the sale of such contracts.

## MANAGEMENT FEES

As compensation for its services and its assumption of certain expenses, the Investment Adviser is entitled to the following fees, computed daily and payable monthly, at the annual rates listed below (as a percentage of each respective Fund's average daily net assets):

GSAM:	Contractual Rate	Other Expenses (after applicable limitation)*
<b>Growth and Income</b>	0.75%	0.25%
<b>CORE U.S. Equity**</b>	0.70%	0.20%
<b>CORE Small Cap Equity</b>	0.75%	0.25%
<b>Capital Growth</b>	0.75%	0.25%
<b>Mid Cap Value**</b>	0.80%	0.25%
<b>GSAMI:</b>		
<b>International Equity</b>	1.00%	0.35%

\* The Investment Adviser has voluntarily agreed to reduce or limit certain other expenses (excluding management fees, taxes, interest, brokerage fees, litigation, indemnification and other extraordinary expenses) to the extent such expenses exceed the percentage stated in the table above (as calculated per annum) of each Fund's respective average daily net assets. Such reductions or limits, if any, are calculated monthly on a cumulative basis. The Investment Adviser may discontinue or modify any limitations in the future at its discretion.

\*\* As of 12/31/01, the CORE U.S. Equity Fund and the Mid Cap Value Fund had other expenses of 0.11% and 0.13% respectively.

## VALUE TEAM

M. Roch Hillenbrand, a Managing Director of Goldman Sachs since 1997, is the Head of Global Equities for GSAM, overseeing the United States, Europe, Japan, and non-Japan Asia. In this capacity, he is responsible for managing the group as it defines and implements global portfolio management processes that are consistent, reliable and predictable. Mr. Hillenbrand joined Goldman Sachs in 1997 upon its acquisition of Commodities Corporation, LLC (now Goldman Sachs Princeton LLC) where he was and continues as President. Over the course of his 19-year career at Commodities Corporation (now Goldman Sachs Princeton LLC), Mr. Hillenbrand has had extensive experience in dealing with internal and external investment managers who have managed a range of futures and equities strategies across multiple markets, using a variety of styles.

- Twelve portfolio managers/analysts with over 100 years of combined financial experience comprise the Investment Adviser’s value investment team
- Multi-sector focus provides a balanced perspective and in-depth industry knowledge
- Across all value products, the Investment Adviser leverages the industry research expertise of its small-, mid- and large-cap investment teams

## Value Team

Name and Title	Fund Responsibility	Years Primarily Responsible	Five Year Employment History
Andrew Braun Vice President	Portfolio Manager— Growth and Income Mid Cap Value	Since 2001 2001	Mr. Braun joined the Investment Adviser as a mutual fund product development analyst in July 1993. From January 1997 to April 2001, he was a research analyst on the Value team and became a portfolio manager in May 2001.
Sally Pope Davis Vice President	Portfolio Manager— Growth and Income Mid Cap Value	Since 2001 2001	Ms. Davis joined the Investment Adviser as a portfolio manager in August 2001. From December 1999 to July 2001, she was a relationship manager in Private Wealth Management. From August 1989 to November 1999, she was a bank analyst in the Goldman Sachs Investment Research Department.
Sean Gallagher Vice President	Portfolio Manager— Growth and Income Mid Cap Value	Since 2001 2001	Mr. Gallagher joined the Investment Adviser as a research analyst in May 2000. From October 1993 to May 2000, he was a research analyst at Merrill Lynch Asset Management.
Stephen L. Korn Associate	Portfolio Manager— Mid Cap Value	Since 2001	Mr. Korn joined the Investment Adviser as a research analyst in June 1999. From January 1999 to June 1999, he was an equity research analyst at Gabelli & Company, Inc. From July 1995 to July 1998, he was a consultant at Andersen Consulting LLP in the Telecommunications Group.
Chip Otness Vice President	Senior Portfolio Manager— Mid Cap Value	Since 2000	Mr. Otness joined the Investment Adviser as a senior portfolio manager in 2000. From 1998 to 2000, he headed Dolphin Asset Management. From 1970 to 1998, he worked at J.P. Morgan, most recently as a managing director and senior portfolio manager responsible for small-cap institutional equity investments.
Lisa Parisi Vice President	Portfolio Manager— Mid Cap Value	Since 2001	Ms. Parisi joined the Investment Adviser as a portfolio manager in August 2001. From December 2000 to August 2001, she was a portfolio manager at John A. Levin & Co. From March 1995 to December 2000, she was a portfolio manager and managing director at Valenzuela Capital.
Eileen Rominger Managing Director	Senior Portfolio Manager— Growth and Income Mid Cap Value	Since 1999 1999	Ms. Rominger joined the Investment Adviser as a senior portfolio manager and Chief Investment Officer of the Value Equity team in 1999. From 1981 to 1999, she worked at Oppenheimer Capital, most recently as a senior portfolio manager.

## QUANTITATIVE EQUITY TEAM

- A stable and growing team supported by an extensive internal staff
- Access to the research ideas of Goldman Sachs' renowned Global Investment Research Department
- More than \$24 billion in equities currently under management

### Quantitative Equity Team

Name and Title	Fund Responsibility	Years Primarily Responsible	Five Year Employment History
Melissa Brown Managing Director	Senior Portfolio Manager— CORE U.S. Equity CORE Small Cap Equity	Since 1998 1998	Ms. Brown joined the Investment Adviser as a portfolio manager in 1998. From 1984 to 1998, she was the director of Quantitative Equity Research and served on the Investment Policy Committee at Prudential Securities.
Robert C. Jones Managing Director	Senior Portfolio Manager— CORE U.S. Equity CORE Small Cap Equity	Since 1998 1998	Mr. Jones joined the Investment Adviser as a portfolio manager in 1989.
Victor H. Pinter Vice President	Senior Portfolio Manager— CORE U.S. Equity CORE Small Cap Equity	Since 1998 1998	Mr. Pinter joined the Investment Adviser as a research analyst in 1989. He became a portfolio manager in 1992.

## GROWTH INVESTMENT TEAM

- 21-year consistent investment style applied through diverse and complete market cycles
- \$16 billion in equities currently under management
- A portfolio management team with more than 250 years combined experience

## Growth Investment Team

Name and Title	Fund Responsibility	Years Primarily Responsible	Five Year Employment History
Steven M. Barry Managing Director Co-Chief Investment Officer	Senior Portfolio Manager— Capital Growth	Since 2000	Mr. Barry joined the Investment Adviser as a portfolio manager in 1999. From 1988 to 1999, he was a portfolio manager at Alliance Capital Management.
Kenneth T. Berents Managing Director Co-Chairman of Investment Committee	Senior Portfolio Manager— Capital Growth	Since 2000	Mr. Berents joined the Investment Adviser as a portfolio manager in 2000. From 1992 to 1999, he was Director of Research and head of the Investment Committee at Wheat First Union.
Herbert E. Ehlers Managing Director	Senior Portfolio Manager— Capital Growth	Since 1998	Mr. Ehlers joined the Investment Adviser as a senior portfolio manager and Chief Investment Officer of the Growth Equity Team in 1997. From 1981 to 1997, he was the Chief Investment Officer and Chairman of Liberty Investment Management, Inc. ("Liberty") and its predecessor firm, Eagle Asset Management ("Eagle").
Gregory H. Ekizian Managing Director Co-Chief Investment Officer	Senior Portfolio Manager— Capital Growth	Since 1998	Mr. Ekizian joined the Investment Adviser as portfolio manager and Co-Chair of the Growth Equity Investment Committee in 1997. From 1990 to 1997, he was a portfolio manager at Liberty and its predecessor firm, Eagle.
Scott Kolar Vice President	Senior Portfolio Manager— Capital Growth	Since 1999	Mr. Kolar joined the Investment Adviser as an equity analyst in 1997 and became a portfolio manager in 1999. From 1994 to 1997, he was an equity analyst and information systems specialist at Liberty.
Andrew F. Pyne Vice President	Senior Portfolio Manager— Capital Growth	Since 2001	Mr. Pyne joined the Investment Adviser as a product manager in 1997. He became a portfolio manager in August 2001. From 1992 to 1997, he was a product manager at Van Kampen Investments.
Ernest C. Segundo, Jr. Vice President Co-Chairman of Investment Committee	Senior Portfolio Manager— Capital Growth	Since 1998	Mr. Segundo joined the Investment Adviser as a portfolio manager in 1997. From 1992 to 1997, he was a portfolio manager at Liberty and its predecessor firm, Eagle.
David G. Shell Managing Director Co-Chief Investment Officer	Senior Portfolio Manager— Capital Growth	Since 1998	Mr. Shell joined the Investment Adviser as a portfolio manager in 1997. From 1987 to 1997, he was a portfolio manager at Liberty and its predecessor firm, Eagle.

## INTERNATIONAL EQUITY MANAGEMENT TEAM

- Global portfolio teams based in London, Singapore, Tokyo and New York. Local presence is a key to the Investment Adviser's fundamental research capabilities
- Team manages over \$33.1 billion in international equities for retail, institutional and high net worth clients
- Focus on bottom-up stock selection as main driver of returns, though the team leverages the asset allocation, currency and risk management capabilities of the Investment Adviser

### London-Based Management Team

Name and Title	Fund Responsibility	Years Primarily Responsible	Five Year Employment History
Robert G. Collins Managing Director Co-Head of International Equity Management Team	Senior Portfolio Manager— International Equity	Since 2001	Mr. Collins joined the International Equity Management Team as co-head in 2001. From 1997 to 2001, Mr. Collins was a portfolio manager and co-chair of the Growth Equity Investment Committee. From 1991 to 1997, he was a portfolio manager at Liberty.
Susan Noble Managing Director Co-Head of International Equity Management Team	Senior Portfolio Manager— International Equity	Since 1998	Ms. Noble joined the Investment Adviser as a senior portfolio manager and head of the European Equity team in October 1997. From 1986 to 1997, she worked at Fleming Investment Management in London, where she most recently was Portfolio Management Director for the European equity investment strategy and process.
Robert Stewart Executive Director	Senior Portfolio Manager— International Equity	Since 1999	Mr. Stewart joined the Investment Adviser as a portfolio manager in 1996. He is a member of the European Equity Team. From 1996 to 1998, he was a portfolio manager in Japan where he managed Japanese Equity Institutional Portfolios. From 1989 to 1996, Mr. Stewart was a portfolio manager at CIN Management where he managed international equities.

### Singapore-Based Management Team

Name and Title	Fund Responsibility	Years Primarily Responsible	Five Year Employment History
Siew-Hua Thio Vice President	Portfolio Manager— International Equity	Since 1998	Ms. Thio joined the Investment Adviser as a portfolio manager in 1998. From 1997 to 1998, she was Head of Research for Indosuez WI Carr in Singapore. From 1993 to 1997, she was a research analyst at the same firm.

### Tokyo-Based Management Team

Name and Title	Fund Responsibility	Years Primarily Responsible	Five Year Employment History
Shogo Maeda Managing Director	Senior Portfolio Manager— International Equity	Since 1998	Mr. Maeda joined the Investment Adviser as a portfolio manager in 1994. He became Chief Investment Officer for Pan-Asian Equities in 2001.

## Dividends

### DISTRIBUTOR AND TRANSFER AGENT

Goldman Sachs, 85 Broad Street, New York, New York 10004, serves as the exclusive distributor (the “Distributor”) of each Fund’s shares. Goldman Sachs, 4900 Sears Tower, Chicago, Illinois 60606-6372, also serves as the Funds’ transfer agent (the “Transfer Agent”) and, as such, performs various shareholder servicing functions.

### ACTIVITIES OF GOLDMAN SACHS AND ITS AFFILIATES AND OTHER ACCOUNTS MANAGED BY GOLDMAN SACHS

The involvement of the Investment Adviser, Goldman Sachs and their affiliates in the management of, or their interest in, other accounts and other activities of Goldman Sachs may present conflicts of interest with respect to a Fund or limit a Fund’s investment activities. Goldman Sachs and its affiliates engage in proprietary trading and advise accounts and funds which have investment objectives similar to those of the Funds and/or which engage in and compete for transactions in the same type of securities, currencies and instruments as the Funds. Goldman Sachs and its affiliates will not have any obligation to make available any information regarding their proprietary activities or strategies, or the activities or strategies used for other accounts managed by them, for the benefit of the management of the Funds. The results of a Fund’s investment activities, therefore, may differ from those of Goldman Sachs and its affiliates, and it is possible that a Fund could sustain losses during periods in which Goldman Sachs and its affiliates and other accounts achieve significant profits on their trading for proprietary or other accounts. In addition, the Funds may, from time to time, enter into transactions in which Goldman Sachs or its other clients have an adverse interest. A Fund’s activities may be limited because of regulatory restrictions applicable to Goldman Sachs and its affiliates, and/or their internal policies designed to comply with such restrictions.

Dividends from investment company taxable income and distributions from net realized capital gains (if any) are declared and paid by each Fund at least annually. Over the course of the year, accrued and paid dividends and distributions will equal all or substantially all of each Fund’s investment company taxable income and net realized capital gains. All dividends will be automatically reinvested in additional shares of a Fund at the net asset value (“NAV”) of such shares on the payment date, unless an insurance company’s separate account is permitted to hold cash and elects to receive payment in cash. From time to time, a portion of a Fund’s dividends may constitute a return of capital.

# Shareholder Guide

The following section will provide you with answers to some of the most often asked questions regarding buying and selling the Funds' shares.

## How Can I Purchase Or Sell Shares Of The Funds?

Shares of the Funds are not sold directly to the public. Instead, Fund shares are sold to unaffiliated separate accounts that fund variable annuity and variable life insurance contracts issued by participating insurance companies. You may purchase or sell (redeem) shares of the Funds through variable annuity contracts and variable life insurance policies offered through the separate accounts. The variable annuity contracts and variable life insurance policies are described in the separate prospectuses issued by the participating insurance companies. You should refer to those prospectuses for information on how to purchase a variable annuity contract or variable life insurance policy, how to select specific Funds as investment options for your contract or policy and how to redeem monies from the Funds.

The separate accounts of the participating insurance companies place orders to purchase and redeem shares of the Funds based on, among other things, the amount of premium payments to be invested and the amount of surrender and transfer requests (as defined in the prospectus describing the variable annuity contracts and variable life insurance policies issued by the participating insurance companies) to be effected on that day pursuant to variable annuity contracts and variable life insurance policies.

The separate accounts of unaffiliated participating insurance companies may purchase shares of the Funds. The sale of Fund shares to these unaffiliated separate accounts may present certain conflicts of interests among variable annuity owners, variable life insurance policy owners and plan investors. The Trust's Board of Trustees will monitor the Trust for the existence of any material irreconcilable conflict of interest. The Trust currently does not foresee any disadvantages to the holders of variable annuity contracts and variable life insurance policies arising from the fact that interests of the holders of variable annuity contracts and variable life insurance policies may differ due to differences of tax treatment or other considerations or due to conflicts among the unaffiliated participating insurance companies. If, however, a material unreconcilable conflict arises between the holders of variable annuity contracts and variable life insurance policies of unaffiliated participating insurance companies, a participating insurance company may be required to withdraw the assets allocable to some or all of the separate accounts from the Funds. Any such withdrawal could disrupt orderly portfolio management to the potential detriment of such holders.

Shares of the Funds (and other existing and new Funds that might be added to the Trust) may also be offered to:

- Unregistered separate accounts of various participating insurance companies through which variable annuity contracts and variable life insurance policies are sold in non-public offerings.
- Unregistered separate accounts of various participating insurance companies through which variable annuity contracts and variable life insurance policies are offered exclusively to qualified pension and profit-sharing plans and/or certain governmental plans.
- Qualified pension and profit-sharing plans. The Trust does not currently anticipate offering shares directly to such plans.

## How Are Shares Priced?

Shares of a Fund are purchased and sold at the Fund's next determined NAV. The Funds calculate NAV as follows:

$$\text{NAV} = \frac{\text{(Value of Assets of the Fund)} - \text{(Liabilities of the Fund)}}{\text{Number of the Fund's Outstanding Shares}}$$

The Funds' investments are valued based on market quotations or, if accurate quotations are not readily available, the fair value of the Funds' investments may be determined in good faith under procedures established by the Trustees.

- NAV per share of each Fund is generally calculated by the accounting agent on each business day as of the close of regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange (normally 4:00 p.m. New York time) or such later time as the New York Stock Exchange or NASDAQ market may officially close. Fund shares will generally not be priced on any day the New York Stock Exchange is closed.
- Shares are purchased and redeemed at the NAV next calculated *after* an order is received in proper form by the Trust.
- The Trust reserves the right to reprocess purchase, redemption and exchange transactions that were initially processed at an NAV that is subsequently adjusted, and to recover amounts from (or distribute amounts to) shareholders accordingly based on the official closing NAV.
- The Trust reserves the right to advance the time by which purchase and redemption orders must be received for same business day credit as otherwise permitted by the SEC.

**Note: The time at which transactions and shares are priced and the time by which orders must be received may be changed in case of an emergency or if regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange is stopped at a time other than 4:00 p.m. New York time. In the event the New York Stock Exchange does not open for business because of an emergency, the Trust may, but is not required to, open one or more Funds for purchase, redemption and exchange transactions if the Federal Reserve wire payment system is open. To learn whether a Fund is open for business during an emergency situation, please call 1-800-621-2550.**

Foreign securities may trade in their local markets on days a Fund is closed. As a result, if a Fund holds foreign securities, its NAV may be impacted on days when its shares may not be purchased or redeemed.

In addition, the impact of events that occur after the publication of market quotations used by a Fund to price its securities but before the close of regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange will not be reflected in a Fund's next determined NAV unless the Trust, in its discretion, determines to make an adjustment in light of the nature and significance of the event, consistent with applicable regulatory guidance.

#### Do I Have To Pay Any Fees When Purchasing Or Selling Shares Of The Funds?

The Funds themselves do not charge any fees when they sell or redeem their shares. Surrender charges, mortality and expense risk fees and other charges may be assessed by participating insurance companies under the variable annuity contracts or variable life insurance policies. These fees should be described in the participating insurance companies' prospectuses.

#### What Else Should I Know About Share Purchases And Redemptions?

The Trust reserves the right to:

- Suspend the right of redemption under certain extraordinary circumstances in accordance with the rules of the SEC.
- Suspend the offering of shares for a period of time.
- Reject any purchase order.
- Close a Fund to new investors from time to time and reopen any such Fund whenever it is deemed appropriate by a Fund's Investment Adviser.

Orders received by the Trust are effected on business days. The separate accounts purchase and redeem shares of each Fund at the Fund's NAV per share calculated as of the day an order is received by a Fund although such purchases and redemptions may be executed the next morning. Redemption proceeds paid by wire transfer will normally be wired in

federal funds on the next business day after the Trust receives actual notice of the redemption order, but may be paid up to three business days after receipt of actual notice of the order.

#### What Types Of Reports Will I Be Sent Regarding Investments In The Funds?

As a holder of a variable annuity contract or variable life insurance policy, you will receive annual reports containing audited financial statements and semiannual reports from your participating insurance company.

#### What Are The Funds' Voting Procedures?

Participating insurance companies, not the owners of the variable annuity contracts or variable life insurance policies or participants therein, are shareholders of a Fund. To the extent required by law:

- The participating insurance companies will vote Fund shares held in the separate accounts in a manner consistent with timely voting instructions received from the holders of variable annuity contracts and variable life insurance policies.
- The participating insurance companies will vote Fund shares held in the separate accounts for which no timely instructions are received from the holders of variable annuity contracts and variable life insurance policies, as well as shares they own, in the same proportion as those shares for which voting instructions are received.

It is anticipated that Fund shares held by unregistered separate accounts or qualified plans generally will be voted for or against any proposition in the same proportion as all other Fund shares are voted unless the unregistered separate account's participating insurance company or the plan makes other arrangements.

Additional information concerning voting rights of the participants in the separate accounts is more fully set forth in the prospectus relating to those accounts issued by the participating insurance companies.

# Taxation

Each Fund is treated as a separate corporate entity for federal tax purposes. Each Fund intends to elect to be treated as a regulated investment company and to qualify for such treatment for each taxable year under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”). In addition, each Fund intends to qualify under the Code with respect to the diversification requirements related to variable contracts. Provided that a Fund and a separate account investing in the Fund satisfy applicable tax requirements, the Fund will not be subject to federal tax and any distributions

from the Fund to the separate account will be exempt from current federal income taxation to the extent that such distributions accumulate in a variable annuity contract or a variable life insurance contract.

Persons investing in variable annuity or variable life insurance contracts should refer to the prospectuses with respect to such contracts for further information regarding the tax treatment of the contracts and the separate accounts in which the contracts are invested.

# Appendix A

## Additional Information on Portfolio Risks, Securities and Techniques

### A. GENERAL PORTFOLIO RISKS

The Funds will be subject to the risks associated with equity investments. “Equity investments” may include common stocks, preferred stocks, interests in real estate investment trusts, convertible debt obligations, convertible preferred stocks, equity interests in trusts, partnerships, joint ventures, limited liability companies and similar enterprises, warrants, stock purchase rights and synthetic and derivative instruments that have economic characteristics similar to equity securities. In general, the values of equity investments fluctuate in response to the activities of individual companies and in response to general market and economic conditions. Accordingly, the values of the equity investments that a Fund holds may decline over short or extended periods. The stock markets tend to be cyclical, with periods when stock prices generally rise and periods when prices generally decline. This volatility means that the value of your investment in the Funds may increase or decrease. Recently, certain stock markets have experienced substantial price volatility.

To the extent they invest in fixed-income securities, the Funds will be subject to the risks associated with fixed-income securities. These risks include interest rate risk, credit risk and call/extension risk. In general, interest rate risk involves the risk that when interest rates decline, the market value of fixed-income securities tends to increase (although many mortgage related securities will have less potential than other debt securities for capital appreciation during periods of declining rates). Conversely, when interest rates increase, the market value of fixed-income securities tends to decline. Credit risk involves the risk that an issuer or guarantor could default on its obligations, and a Fund will not recover its investment. Call risk and extension risk are normally present in mortgage-backed securities and asset-backed securities. For example, homeowners have the option to prepay their mortgages. Therefore, the duration of a security backed by home mortgages can either shorten (call risk) or lengthen (extension risk). In general, if interest rates on new mortgage loans fall sufficiently below the interest rates on existing outstanding mortgage loans, the rate of prepayment would be expected to increase. Conversely, if mortgage loan interest rates rise above the interest rates on existing outstanding mortgage loans, the rate of prepayment would be expected to decrease. In either case, a change in the prepayment rate can result in losses to investors. The same would be true of asset-backed securities, such as securities backed by car loans.

Investment Adviser will not consider the portfolio turnover rate a limiting factor in making investment decisions for a Fund. A high rate of portfolio turnover (100% or more)

involves correspondingly greater expenses which must be borne by a Fund and its shareholders, and is also likely to result in higher short-term capital gains taxable to shareholders. The portfolio turnover rate is calculated by dividing the lesser of the dollar amount of sales or purchases of portfolio securities by the average monthly value of a Fund’s portfolio securities, excluding securities having a maturity at the date of purchase of one year or less. See “Financial Highlights” in Appendix B for a statement of the Funds’ historical portfolio turnover rates.

The following sections provide further information on certain types of securities and investment techniques that may be used by the Funds, including their associated risks. Additional information is provided in the Additional Statement, which is available upon request. Among other things, the Additional Statement describes certain fundamental investment restrictions that cannot be changed without shareholder approval. You should note, however, that all investment objectives, and all investment policies not specifically designated as fundamental are non-fundamental and may be changed without shareholder approval. If there is a change in a Fund’s investment objective, you should consider whether that Fund remains an appropriate investment in light of your then current financial position and needs.

### B. OTHER PORTFOLIO RISKS

#### *Risks of Investing in Small Capitalization Companies.*

Investments in small capitalization companies involve greater risk and portfolio price volatility than investments in larger capitalization stocks. Among the reasons for the greater price volatility of these investments are the less certain growth prospects of smaller firms and the lower degree of liquidity in the markets for such securities. Small capitalization companies may be thinly traded and may have to be sold at a discount from current market prices or in small lots over an extended period of time. In addition, these securities are subject to the risk that during certain periods the liquidity of particular issuers or industries, or all securities in these particular investment categories, will shrink or disappear suddenly and without warning as a result of adverse economic or market conditions, or adverse investor perceptions whether or not accurate. Because of the lack of sufficient market liquidity, a Fund may incur losses because it will be required to effect sales at a disadvantageous time and only then at a substantial drop in price. Small capitalization companies include “unseasoned” issuers that do not have an established financial history; often have limited product lines, markets or financial resources; may depend on or use a few key personnel for

management; and may be susceptible to losses and risks of bankruptcy. Small capitalization companies may be operating at a loss or have significant variations in operating results; may be engaged in a rapidly changing business with products subject to a substantial risk of obsolescence; may require substantial additional capital to support their operations, to finance expansion or to maintain their competitive position; and may have substantial borrowings or may otherwise have a weak financial condition. In addition, these companies may face intense competition, including competition from companies with greater financial resources, more extensive development, manufacturing, marketing, and other capabilities, and a larger number of qualified managerial and technical personnel. Transaction costs for these investments are often higher than those of larger capitalization companies. Investments in small capitalization companies may be more difficult to price precisely than other types of securities because of their characteristics and lower trading volumes.

**Risks of Derivative Investments.** A Fund's transactions, if any, in options, futures, options on futures, swaps, structured securities and currency transactions involve additional risk of loss. Loss can result from a lack of correlation between changes in the value of derivative instruments and the portfolio assets (if any) being hedged, the potential illiquidity of the markets for derivative instruments, or the risks arising from margin requirements and related leverage factors associated with such transactions. The use of these management techniques also involves the risk of loss if the Investment Adviser is incorrect in its expectation of fluctuations in securities prices, interest rates or currency prices. Each Fund may also invest in derivative investments for non-hedging purposes (that is, to seek to increase total return). Investing for non-hedging purposes is considered as a speculative practice and presents even greater risk of loss.

**Risks of Foreign Investments.** The Funds may make foreign investments. Foreign investments involve special risks that are not typically associated with U.S. dollar denominated or quoted securities of U.S. issuers. Foreign investments may be affected by changes in currency rates, changes in foreign or U.S. laws or restrictions applicable to such investments and changes in exchange control regulations (e.g., currency blockage). A decline in the exchange rate of the currency (i.e., weakening of the currency against the U.S. dollar) in which a portfolio security is quoted or denominated relative to the U.S. dollar would reduce the value of the portfolio security. In addition, if the currency in which a Fund receives dividends, interest or other payments declines in value against the U.S. dollar before such income is distributed as dividends to shareholders or converted to U.S. dollars, the Fund may have

to sell portfolio securities to obtain sufficient cash to pay such dividends.

Brokerage commissions, custodial services and other costs relating to investment in international securities markets generally are more expensive than in the United States. In addition, clearance and settlement procedures may be different in foreign countries and, in certain markets, such procedures have been unable to keep pace with the volume of securities transactions, thus making it difficult to conduct such transactions.

Foreign issuers are not generally subject to uniform accounting, auditing and financial reporting standards comparable to those applicable to U.S. issuers. There may be less publicly available information about a foreign issuer than a U.S. issuer. In addition, there is generally less government regulation of foreign markets, companies and securities dealers than in the United States, and the legal remedies for investors may be more limited than the remedies available in the United States. Foreign securities markets may have substantially less volume than U.S. securities markets and securities of many foreign issuers are less liquid and more volatile than securities of comparable domestic issuers. Furthermore, with respect to certain foreign countries, there is a possibility of nationalization, expropriation or confiscatory taxation, imposition of withholding or other taxes on dividend or interest payments (or, in some cases, capital gains distributions), limitations on the removal of funds or other assets from such countries, and risks of political or social instability or diplomatic developments which could adversely affect investments in those countries.

Concentration of a Fund's assets in one or a few countries and currencies will subject a Fund to greater risks than if a Fund's assets were not geographically concentrated.

Investment in sovereign debt obligations by a Fund involves risks not present in debt obligations of corporate issuers. The issuer of the debt or the governmental authorities that control the repayment of the debt may be unable or unwilling to repay principal or pay interest when due in accordance with the terms of such debt, and a Fund may have limited recourse to compel payment in the event of a default. Periods of economic uncertainty may result in the volatility of market prices of sovereign debt, and in turn a Fund's NAV, to a greater extent than the volatility inherent in debt obligations of U.S. issuers.

A sovereign debtor's willingness or ability to repay principal and pay interest in a timely manner may be affected by, among other factors, its cash flow situation, the extent of its foreign currency reserves, the availability of sufficient foreign exchange on the date a payment is due, the relative size of the

debt service burden to the economy as a whole, the sovereign debtor's policy toward international lenders, and the political constraints to which a sovereign debtor may be subject.

Investments in foreign securities may take the form of sponsored and unsponsored American Depositary Receipts ("ADRs") and Global Depositary Receipts ("GDRs"). Certain Funds may also invest in European Depositary Receipts ("EDRs") or other similar instruments representing securities of foreign issuers. ADRs represent the right to receive securities of foreign issuers deposited in a domestic bank or a correspondent bank. Prices of ADRs are quoted in U.S. dollars, and ADRs are traded in the United States. EDRs and GDRs are receipts evidencing an arrangement with a non-U.S. bank. EDRs and GDRs are not necessarily quoted in the same currency as the underlying security.

**Risks of Euro.** On January 1, 1999, the European Economic and Monetary Union (EMU) introduced a new single currency called the euro. By July 1, 2002, the euro will have replaced the national currencies of the following member countries: Austria, Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Portugal and Spain. Currently, the exchange rate of the currencies of each of these countries is fixed to the euro. The euro trades on currency exchanges and is available for non-cash transactions. The member countries currently issue sovereign debt exclusively in euro. By July 1, 2002, euro-denominated bills and coins will replace the bills and coins of the member countries.

The new European Central Bank has control over each country's monetary policies. Therefore, the member countries no longer control their own monetary policies by directing independent interest rates for their currencies. The national governments of the participating countries, however, have retained the authority to set tax and spending policies and public debt level.

The change to the euro as a single currency is new and untested. The elimination of currency risk among EMU countries may change the economic environment and behavior of investors, particularly in European markets, but the impact of those changes cannot be fully assessed at this time. It is not possible to predict the impact of the euro on currency values or on the business or financial condition of European countries and issuers, and issuers in other regions, whose securities a Fund may hold, or the impact, if any, on Fund performance. During the first two years of the euro's existence, the exchange rate of the euro versus many of the world's major currencies has declined. In this environment, U.S. and other foreign investors experienced erosion of their investment returns on their euro-denominated securities. In addition, the introduction of the euro presents other unique uncertainties,

including the fluctuation of the euro relative to non-euro currencies; whether the interest rate, tax and labor regimes of European countries participating in the euro will converge over time; and whether the conversion of the currencies of other countries that now are or may in the future become members of the European Union ("EU") will have an impact on the euro. Also it is possible that the euro could be abandoned in the future by countries that have already adopted its use. These or other events, including political and economic developments, could cause market disruptions, and could adversely affect the value of securities held by the Funds. Because of the number of countries using this single currency, a significant portion of the assets held by certain Funds may be denominated in the euro.

**Risks of Emerging Countries.** Certain Funds may invest in securities of issuers located in emerging countries. The risks of foreign investment are heightened when the issuer is located in an emerging country. Emerging countries are generally located in the Asia and Pacific regions, Eastern Europe, Latin and South America and Africa. A Fund's purchase and sale of portfolio securities in certain emerging countries may be constrained by limitations relating to daily changes in the prices of listed securities, periodic trading or settlement volume and/or limitations on aggregate holdings of foreign investors. Such limitations may be computed based on the aggregate trading volume by or holdings of a Fund, the Investment Adviser, its affiliates and their respective clients and other service providers. A Fund may not be able to sell securities in circumstances where price, trading or settlement volume limitations have been reached.

Foreign investment in the securities markets of certain emerging countries is restricted or controlled to varying degrees which may limit investment in such countries or increase the administrative costs of such investments. For example, certain Asian countries require governmental approval prior to investments by foreign persons or limit investment by foreign persons to only a specified percentage of an issuer's outstanding securities or a specific class of securities which may have less advantageous terms (including price) than securities of the issuer available for purchase by nationals. In addition, certain countries may restrict or prohibit investment opportunities in issuers or industries deemed important to national interests. Such restrictions may affect the market price, liquidity and rights of securities that may be purchased by a Fund. The repatriation of both investment income and capital from certain emerging countries is subject to restrictions such as the need for governmental consents. Due to restrictions on direct investment in securities in certain Asian and other countries, it is anticipated that a Fund may

invest in such countries through other investment funds in such countries.

Many emerging countries have recently experienced currency devaluations and substantial (and, in some cases, extremely high) rates of inflation. Other emerging countries have experienced economic recessions. These circumstances have had a negative effect on the economies and securities markets of those emerging countries. Economies in emerging countries generally are dependent heavily upon commodity prices and international trade and, accordingly, have been and may continue to be affected adversely by the economies of their trading partners, trade barriers, exchange controls, managed adjustments in relative currency values and other protectionist measures imposed or negotiated by the countries with which they trade.

Many emerging countries are subject to a substantial degree of economic, political and social instability. Governments of some emerging countries are authoritarian in nature or have been installed or removed as a result of military coups, while governments in other emerging countries have periodically used force to suppress civil dissent. Disparities of wealth, the pace and success of democratization, and ethnic, religious and racial disaffection, among other factors, have also led to social unrest, violence and/or labor unrest in some emerging countries. Unanticipated political or social developments may result in sudden and significant investment losses. Investing in emerging countries involves greater risk of loss due to expropriation, nationalization, confiscation of assets and property or the imposition of restrictions on foreign investments and on repatriation of capital invested. As an example, in the past some Eastern European governments have expropriated substantial amounts of private property, and many claims of the property owners have never been fully settled. There is no assurance that similar expropriations will not recur in Eastern Europe or other countries.

A Fund's investment in emerging countries may also be subject to withholding or other taxes, which may be significant and may reduce the return from an investment in such countries to the Fund.

Settlement procedures in emerging countries are frequently less developed and reliable than those in the United States and often may involve a Fund's delivery of securities before receipt of payment for their sale. In addition, significant delays are common in certain markets in registering the transfer of securities. Settlement or registration problems may make it more difficult for a Fund to value its portfolio securities and could cause the Fund to miss attractive investment opportunities, to have a portion of its assets uninvested or to incur

losses due to the failure of a counterparty to pay for securities the Fund has delivered or the Fund's inability to complete its contractual obligations because of theft or other reasons.

The creditworthiness of the local securities firms used by a Fund in emerging countries may not be as sound as the creditworthiness of firms used in more developed countries. As a result, the Fund may be subject to a greater risk of loss if a securities firm defaults in the performance of its responsibilities.

The small size and inexperience of the securities markets in certain emerging countries and the limited volume of trading in securities in those countries may make a Fund's investments in such countries less liquid and more volatile than investments in countries with more developed securities markets (such as the United States, Japan and most Western European countries). A Fund's investments in emerging countries are subject to the risk that the liquidity of a particular investment, or investments generally, in such countries will shrink or disappear suddenly and without warning as a result of adverse economic, market or political conditions, or adverse investor perceptions, whether or not accurate. Because of the lack of sufficient market liquidity, a Fund may incur losses because it will be required to effect sales at a disadvantageous time and then only at a substantial drop in price. Investments in emerging countries may be more difficult to price precisely because of the characteristics discussed above and lower trading volumes.

A Fund's use of foreign currency management techniques in emerging countries may be limited. Due to the limited market for these instruments in emerging countries, the Investment Adviser does not currently anticipate that a significant portion of the Funds' currency exposure in emerging countries, if any, will be covered by such instruments.

***Risks of Illiquid Securities.*** Each Fund may invest up to 15% of its net assets in illiquid securities which cannot be disposed of in seven days in the ordinary course of business at fair value. Illiquid securities include:

- Both domestic and foreign securities that are not readily marketable
- Repurchase agreements and time deposits with a notice or demand period of more than seven days
- Certain over-the-counter options
- Certain structured securities and all swap transactions
- Certain restricted securities, unless it is determined, based upon a review of the trading markets for a specific restricted security, that such restricted security is eligible for resale pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933 ("144A Securities") and, therefore, is liquid.

Investing in 144A Securities may decrease the liquidity of a Fund's portfolio to the extent that qualified institutional buyers become for a time uninterested in purchasing these restricted securities. The purchase price and subsequent valuation of restricted and illiquid securities normally reflect a discount, which may be significant, from the market price of comparable securities for which a liquid market exists.

**Credit/Default Risks.** Debt securities purchased by the Funds may include securities (including zero coupon bonds) issued by the U.S. government (and its agencies, instrumentalities and sponsored enterprises), foreign governments, domestic and foreign corporations, banks and other issuers. Some of these fixed-income securities are described in the next section below. Further information is provided in the Additional Statement.

Debt securities rated BBB or higher by Standard & Poor's or Baa or higher by Moody's are considered "investment grade." Securities rated BBB or Baa are considered medium-grade obligations with speculative characteristics, and adverse economic conditions or changing circumstances may weaken the issuers' capacity to pay interest and repay principal. A security will be deemed to have met a rating requirement if it receives the minimum required rating from at least one such rating organization even though it has been rated below the minimum rating by one or more other rating organizations, or if unrated by such rating organizations, determined by the Investment Adviser to be of comparable credit quality.

Certain Funds may invest in fixed-income securities rated BB or Ba or below (or comparable unrated securities) which are commonly referred to as "junk bonds." Junk bonds are considered predominately speculative and may be questionable as to principal and interest payments.

In some cases, junk bonds may be highly speculative, have poor prospects for reaching investment grade standing and be in default. As a result, investment in such bonds will present greater speculative risks than those associated with investment in investment grade bonds. Also, to the extent that the rating assigned to a security in a Fund's portfolio is downgraded by a rating organization, the market price and liquidity of such security may be adversely affected.

**Risks of Initial Public Offerings.** The Funds may invest in IPOs. An IPO is a company's first offering of stock to the public. IPO risk is the risk that the market value of IPO shares will fluctuate considerably due to factors such as the absence of a prior public market, unseasoned trading, the small number of shares available for trading and limited information

about the issuer. The purchase of IPO shares may involve high transaction costs. IPO shares are subject to market risk and liquidity risk. When a Fund's asset base is small, a significant portion of the Fund's performance could be attributable to investments in IPOs, because such investments would have a magnified impact on the Fund. As the Fund's assets grow, the effect of the Fund's investments in IPOs on the Fund's performance probably will decline, which could reduce the Fund's performance. Because of the price volatility of IPO shares, a Fund may choose to hold IPO shares for a very short period of time. This may increase the turnover of the Fund's portfolio and may lead to increased expenses to the Fund, such as commissions and transaction costs. By selling IPO shares, the Fund may realize taxable gains it will subsequently distribute to shareholders. In addition, the market for IPO shares can be speculative and/or inactive for extended periods of time. There is no assurance that a Fund will be able to obtain allocable portions of IPO shares. The limited number of shares available for trading in some IPOs may make it more difficult for a Fund to buy or sell significant amounts of shares without an unfavorable impact on prevailing prices. Investors in IPO shares can be affected by substantial dilution in the value of their shares, by sales of additional shares and by concentration of control in existing management and principal shareholders.

**Geographic Risks.** The International Equity Fund may invest more than 25% of its total assets in the securities of corporate and governmental issuers located in a particular foreign country or region. Concentration of the Fund's investments in such issuers will subject the Fund, to a greater extent than if investment was more limited, to the risks of adverse securities markets, exchange rates and social, political or economic events which may occur in that country or region.

**Temporary Investment Risks.** Each Fund may, for temporary defensive purposes, invest a certain percentage of its total assets in:

- U.S. government securities
- Commercial paper rated at least A-2 by Standard & Poor's or P-2 by Moody's
- Certificates of deposit
- Bankers' acceptances
- Repurchase agreements
- Non-convertible preferred stocks and non-convertible corporate bonds with a remaining maturity of less than one year

When a Fund's assets are invested in such instruments, the Fund may not be achieving its investment objective.

## C. PORTFOLIO SECURITIES AND TECHNIQUES

This section provides further information on certain types of securities and investment techniques that may be used by the Funds, including their associated risks. Further information is provided in the Additional Statement, which is available upon request. A Fund may purchase other types of securities or instruments similar to those described in this section if otherwise consistent with the Fund's investment objective and policies.

**U.S. Government Securities.** Each Fund may invest in U.S. Government Securities. U.S. Government Securities include U.S. Treasury obligations and obligations issued or guaranteed by U.S. government agencies, instrumentalities or sponsored enterprises. U.S. Government Securities may be supported by (a) the full faith and credit of the U.S. Treasury (such as the Government National Mortgage Association ("Ginnie Mae")); (b) the right of the issuer to borrow from the U.S. Treasury (such as securities of the Student Loan Marketing Association); (c) the discretionary authority of the U.S. government to purchase certain obligations of the issuer; or (d) only the credit of the issuer. U.S. Government Securities also include Treasury receipts, zero coupon bonds and other stripped U.S. Government Securities, where the interest and principal components of stripped U.S. Government Securities are traded independently.

**Custodial Receipts and Trust Certificates.** Each Fund may invest in custodial receipts and trust certificates representing interests in securities held by a custodian or trustee. The securities so held may include U.S. Government Securities or other types of securities in which a Fund may invest. The custodial receipts or trust certificates may evidence ownership of future interest payments, principal payments or both on the underlying securities, or, in some cases, the payment obligation of a third party that has entered into an interest rate swap or other arrangement with the custodian or trustee. For certain securities laws purposes, custodial receipts and trust certificates may not be considered obligations of the U.S. government or other issuer of the securities held by the custodian or trustee. In addition, if for tax purposes a Fund is not considered to be the owner of the underlying securities held in the custodial or trust account, the Fund may suffer adverse tax consequences. As a holder of custodial receipts and trust certificates, a Fund will bear its proportionate share of the fees and expenses charged to the custodial account or trust. Each Fund may also invest in separately issued interests in custodial receipts and trust certificates.

**Mortgage-Backed Securities.** Certain Funds may invest in mortgage-backed securities. Mortgage-backed securities represent direct or indirect participations in, or are collateralized by

and payable from, mortgage loans secured by real property. Mortgage-backed securities can be backed by either fixed rate mortgage loans or adjustable rate mortgage loans, and may be issued by either a governmental or non-governmental entity. Privately issued mortgage-backed securities are normally structured with one or more types of "credit enhancement." However, these mortgage-backed securities typically do not have the same credit standing as U.S. government guaranteed mortgage-backed securities.

Mortgage-backed securities may include multiple class securities, including collateralized mortgage obligations ("CMOs") and Real Estate Mortgage Investment Conduit ("REMIC") pass-through or participation certificates. CMOs provide an investor with a specified interest in the cash flow from a pool of underlying mortgages or of other mortgage-backed securities. CMOs are issued in multiple classes. In many cases, payments of principal are applied to the CMO classes in the order of their respective stated maturities, so that no principal payments will be made on a CMO class until all other classes having an earlier stated maturity date are paid in full. A REMIC is a CMO that qualifies for special tax treatment under the Code and invests in certain mortgages principally secured by interests in real property and other permitted investments.

**Asset-Backed Securities.** Certain Funds may invest in asset-backed securities. Asset-backed securities are securities whose principal and interest payments are collateralized by pools of assets such as auto loans, credit card receivables, leases, installment contracts and personal property. Asset-backed securities are often subject to more rapid repayment than their stated maturity date would indicate as a result of the pass-through of prepayments of principal on the underlying loans. During periods of declining interest rates, prepayment of loans underlying asset-backed securities can be expected to accelerate. Accordingly, a Fund's ability to maintain positions in such securities will be affected by reductions in the principal amount of such securities resulting from prepayments, and its ability to reinvest the returns of principal at comparable yields is subject to generally prevailing interest rates at that time. Asset-backed securities present credit risks that are not presented by mortgage-backed securities. This is because asset-backed securities generally do not have the benefit of a security interest in collateral that is comparable to mortgage assets. If the issuer of an asset-backed security defaults on its payment obligations, there is the possibility that, in some cases, the Fund will be unable to possess and sell the underlying collateral and that a Fund's recoveries on repossessed collateral may not be available to support payments on the securities. In the event of a default, a Fund may suffer a

loss if it cannot sell collateral quickly and receive the amount it is owed.

**Bank Obligations.** Each Fund may invest in obligations issued or guaranteed by U.S. or foreign banks. Bank obligations include time deposits, bankers' acceptances and certificates of deposit, may be general obligations of the parent bank or may be limited to the issuing branch by the terms of the specific obligations or by government regulations. Banks are subject to extensive but different governmental regulations which may limit both the amount and types of loans which may be made and interest rates which may be charged. In addition, the profitability of the banking industry is largely dependent upon the availability and cost of funds for the purpose of financing lending operations under prevailing money market conditions. General economic conditions as well as exposure to credit losses arising from possible financial difficulties of borrowers play an important part in the operation of this industry.

**Corporate Debt Obligations and Convertible Securities.** Each Fund may invest in corporate debt obligations and convertible securities. Corporate debt obligations include bonds, notes, debentures, commercial paper and other obligations of corporations to pay interest and repay principal, and include securities issued by banks and other financial institutions. Certain Funds may invest in corporate debt obligations issued by U.S. and certain non-U.S. issuers which issue securities denominated in the U.S. dollar (including Yankee and Euro obligations). In addition to obligations of corporations, corporate debt obligations include securities issued by banks and other financial institutions and supranational entities (*i.e.*, the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund, etc.).

Each Fund may invest in convertible securities. Convertible securities are preferred stock or debt obligations that are convertible into common stock. Convertible securities generally offer lower interest or dividend yields than non-convertible securities of similar quality. Convertible securities in which a Fund invests are subject to the same rating criteria as its other investments in fixed-income securities. Convertible securities have both equity and fixed-income risk characteristics. Like all fixed-income securities, the value of convertible securities is susceptible to the risk of market losses attributable to changes in interest rates. Generally, the market value of convertible securities tends to decline as interest rates increase and, conversely, to increase as interest rates decline. However, when the market price of the common stock underlying a convertible security exceeds the conversion price of the convertible security, the convertible security tends to reflect the market price of the underlying common stock. As the market price of the underlying common stock declines, the

convertible security, like a fixed-income security, tends to trade increasingly on a yield basis, and thus may not decline in price to the same extent as the underlying common stock.

**Rating Criteria.** Except as noted below, the Equity Funds (other than the CORE Funds, which may only invest in debt instruments that are cash equivalents) may invest in debt securities rated at least investment grade at the time of investment. Investment grade debt securities are securities rated BBB or higher by Standard & Poor's or Baa or higher by Moody's. The Growth and Income and Capital Growth Funds may invest up to 10% of their Total Assets and the International Equity Fund up to 20% of its Net Assets in debt securities which are rated in the lowest rating categories by Standard & Poor's or Moody's (*i.e.*, BB or lower by Standard & Poor's or Ba or lower by Moody's), including securities rated D by Moody's or Standard & Poor's. The Mid Cap Value Fund may invest up to 10% of its Total Assets in below investment grade debt securities rated B or higher by Standard & Poor's or Moody's. Fixed-income securities rated BB or Ba or below (or comparable unrated securities) are commonly referred to as "junk bonds," are considered predominately speculative and may be questionable as to principal and interest payments as described above.

**Structured Securities.** Each Fund may invest in structured securities. Structured securities are securities whose value is determined by reference to changes in the value of specific currencies, interest rates, commodities, indices or other financial indicators (the "Reference") or the relative change in two or more References. The interest rate or the principal amount payable upon maturity or redemption may be increased or decreased depending upon changes in the applicable Reference. Structured securities may be positively or negatively indexed, so that appreciation of the Reference may produce an increase or decrease in the interest rate or value of the security at maturity. In addition, changes in the interest rates or the value of the security at maturity may be a multiple of changes in the value of the Reference. Consequently, structured securities may present a greater degree of market risk than other types of fixed-income securities, and may be more volatile, less liquid and more difficult to price accurately than less complex securities.

**Foreign Currency Transactions.** Each Fund may, to the extent consistent with its investment policies, purchase or sell foreign currencies on a cash basis or through forward contracts. A forward contract involves an obligation to purchase or sell a specific currency at a future date at a price set at the time of the contract. A Fund may engage in foreign currency transactions for hedging purposes and to seek to protect against anticipated changes in future foreign currency

exchange rates. In addition, certain Funds may also enter into such transactions to seek to increase total return, which is considered a speculative practice.

Some Funds may also engage in cross-hedging by using forward contracts in a currency different from that in which the hedged security is denominated or quoted. A Fund may hold foreign currency received in connection with investments in foreign securities when, in the judgment of the Investment Adviser, it would be beneficial to convert such currency into U.S. dollars at a later date (e.g., the Investment Adviser may anticipate that the foreign currency will appreciate against the U.S. dollar).

Currency exchange rates may fluctuate significantly over short periods of time causing, along with other factors, a Fund's NAV to fluctuate (when the Fund's NAV fluctuates, the value of your shares may go up or down). Currency exchange rates also can be affected unpredictably by the intervention of U.S. or foreign governments or central banks, or the failure to intervene, or by currency controls or political developments in the United States or abroad. The market in forward foreign currency exchange contracts, currency swaps and other privately negotiated currency instruments offers less protection against defaults by the other party to such instruments than is available for currency instruments traded on an exchange. Such contracts are subject to the risk that the counterparty to the contract will default on its obligations. Since these contracts are not guaranteed by an exchange or clearinghouse, a default on a contract would deprive a Fund of unrealized profits, transaction costs or the benefits of a currency hedge or could force the Fund to cover its purchase or sale commitments, if any, at the current market price.

***Options on Securities, Securities Indices and Foreign Currencies.*** A put option gives the purchaser of the option the right to sell, and the writer (seller) of the option the obligation to buy, the underlying instrument during the option period. A call option gives the purchaser of the option the right to buy, and the writer (seller) of the option the obligation to sell, the underlying instrument during the option period. Each Fund may write (sell) covered call and put options and purchase put and call options on any securities in which it may invest or on any securities index consisting of securities in which it may invest. A Fund may also, to the extent that it invests in foreign securities, purchase and sell (write) put and call options on foreign currencies.

The writing and purchase of options is a highly specialized activity which involves special investment risks. Options may be used for either hedging or cross-hedging purposes, or to

seek to increase total return (which is considered a speculative activity). The successful use of options depends in part on the ability of the Investment Adviser to manage future price fluctuations and the degree of correlation between the options and securities (or currency) markets. If the Investment Adviser is incorrect in its expectation of changes in market prices or determination of the correlation between the instruments or indices on which options are written and purchased and the instruments in a Fund's investment portfolio, the Fund may incur losses that it would not otherwise incur. The use of options can also increase a Fund's transaction costs. Options written or purchased by the Funds may be traded on either U.S. or foreign exchanges or over-the-counter. Foreign and over-the-counter options will present greater possibility of loss because of their greater illiquidity and credit risks.

***Futures Contracts and Options on Futures Contracts.***

Futures contracts are standardized, exchange-traded contracts that provide for the sale or purchase of a specified financial instrument or currency at a future time at a specified price. An option on a futures contract gives the purchaser the right (and the writer of the option the obligation) to assume a position in a futures contract at a specified exercise price within a specified period of time. A futures contract may be based on particular securities, foreign currencies, securities indices and other financial instruments and indices. The Funds may engage in futures transactions on both U.S. and foreign exchanges.

Each Fund may purchase and sell futures contracts, and purchase and write call and put options on futures contracts, in order to seek to increase total return or to hedge against changes in interest rates, securities prices or, to the extent a Fund invests in foreign securities, currency exchange rates, or to otherwise manage its term structure, sector selections and duration in accordance with its investment objective and policies. The Funds may also enter into closing purchase and sale transactions with respect to such contracts and options. A Fund will engage in futures and related options transactions for bona fide hedging purposes as defined in regulations of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission or to seek to increase total return to the extent permitted by such regulations. A Fund may not purchase or sell futures contracts or purchase or sell related options to seek to increase total return, except for closing purchase or sale transactions, if immediately thereafter the sum of the amount of initial margin deposits and premiums paid on the Fund's outstanding positions in futures and related options entered into for the purpose of seeking to increase total return would exceed 5% of the market value of the Fund's net assets.

Futures contracts and related options present the following risks:

- While a Fund may benefit from the use of futures and options on futures, unanticipated changes in interest rates, securities prices or currency exchange rates may result in a poorer overall performance than if the Fund had not entered into any futures contracts or options transactions.
- Because perfect correlation between a futures position and a portfolio position that is intended to be protected is impossible to achieve, the desired protection may not be obtained and a Fund may be exposed to additional risk of loss.
- The loss incurred by a Fund in entering into futures contracts and in writing call options on futures is potentially unlimited and may exceed the amount of the premium received.
- Futures markets are highly volatile and the use of futures may increase the volatility of a Fund's NAV.
- As a result of the low margin deposits normally required in futures trading, a relatively small price movement in a futures contract may result in substantial losses to a Fund.
- Futures contracts and options on futures may be illiquid, and exchanges may limit fluctuations in futures contract prices during a single day.
- Foreign exchanges may not provide the same protection as U.S. exchanges.

**Preferred Stock, Warrants and Rights.** Each Fund may invest in preferred stock, warrants and rights. Preferred stocks are securities that represent an ownership interest providing the holder with claims on the issuer's earnings and assets before common stock owners but after bond owners. Unlike debt securities, the obligations of an issuer of preferred stock, including dividend and other payment obligations, may not typically be accelerated by the holders of such preferred stock on the occurrence of an event of default or other non-compliance by the issuer of the preferred stock.

Warrants and other rights are options to buy a stated number of shares of common stock at a specified price at any time during the life of the warrant or right. The holders of warrants and rights have no voting rights, receive no dividends and have no rights with respect to the assets of the issuer.

**Other Investment Companies.** Each Fund may invest in other investment companies (including exchange-traded funds such as SPDRs and iShares<sup>SM</sup>, as defined below) subject to statutory limitations prescribed by the Act. These limitations include a prohibition on any Fund acquiring more than 3% of the voting shares of any other investment company, and a prohibition on investing more than 5% of a Fund's total assets in securities of any one investment company or more than

10% of its total assets in securities of all investment companies. A Fund will indirectly bear its proportionate share of any management fees and other expenses paid by such other investment companies. Although the Funds do not expect to do so in the foreseeable future, each Fund is authorized to invest substantially all of its assets in a single open-end investment company or series thereof that has substantially the same investment objective, policies and fundamental restrictions as the Fund. Pursuant to an exemptive order obtained from the SEC, other investment companies in which a Fund may invest include money market funds which the Investment Adviser or any of its affiliates serves as investment adviser, administrator or distributor.

Exchange-traded funds such as SPDRs and iShares<sup>SM</sup> are shares of unaffiliated investment companies which are traded like traditional equity securities on a national securities exchange or the NASDAQ<sup>®</sup> National Market System.

- **Standard & Poor's Depositary Receipts<sup>TM</sup>.** The Funds may, consistent with their investment policies, purchase Standard & Poor's Depositary Receipts<sup>TM</sup> ("SPDRs"). SPDRs are securities traded on the American Stock Exchange ("AMEX") that represent ownership in the SPDR Trust, a trust which has been established to accumulate and hold a portfolio of common stocks that is intended to track the price performance and dividend yield of the S&P 500<sup>®</sup>. The SPDR Trust is sponsored by a subsidiary of the AMEX. SPDRs may be used for several reasons, including, but not limited to, facilitating the handling of cash flows or trading, or reducing transaction costs. The price movement of SPDRs may not perfectly parallel the price action of the S&P 500<sup>®</sup>.
- **iShares<sup>SM</sup> (formerly called World Equity Benchmark Shares or WEBs).** iShares are shares of an investment company that invests substantially all of its assets in securities included in specified indices, including the MSCI indices for various countries and regions. iShares are listed on the AMEX and were initially offered to the public in 1996. The market prices of iShares are expected to fluctuate in accordance with both changes in the NAVs of their underlying indices and supply and demand of iShares on the AMEX. To date, iShares have traded at relatively modest discounts and premiums to their NAVs. However, iShares have a limited operating history and information is lacking regarding the actual performance and trading liquidity of iShares for extended periods or over complete market cycles. In addition, there is no assurance that the requirements of the AMEX necessary to maintain the listing of iShares will continue to be met or will remain unchanged. In the event substantial market or other

disruptions affecting iShares should occur in the future, the liquidity and value of a Fund's shares could also be substantially and adversely affected. If such disruptions were to occur, a Fund could be required to reconsider the use of iShares as part of its investment strategy.

***Unseasoned Companies.*** Each Fund may invest in companies (including predecessors) which have operated less than three years. The securities of such companies may have limited liquidity, which can result in their being priced higher or lower than might otherwise be the case. In addition, investments in unseasoned companies are more speculative and entail greater risk than do investments in companies with an established operating record.

***Equity Swaps.*** Each Fund may invest in equity swaps. Equity swaps allow the parties to a swap agreement to exchange the dividend income or other components of return on an equity investment (for example, a group of equity securities or an index) for a component of return on another non-equity or equity investment.

An equity swap may be used by a Fund to invest in a market without owning or taking physical custody of securities in circumstances in which direct investment may be restricted for legal reasons or is otherwise impractical. Equity swaps are derivatives and their value can be very volatile. To the extent that the Investment Adviser does not accurately analyze and predict the potential relative fluctuation of the components swapped with another party, a Fund may suffer a loss, which may be substantial. The value of some components of an equity swap (such as the dividends on a common stock) may also be sensitive to changes in interest rates. Furthermore, a Fund may suffer a loss if the counterparty defaults. Because equity swaps are normally illiquid, a Fund may be unable to terminate its obligations when desired.

***When-Issued Securities and Forward Commitments.*** Each Fund may purchase when-issued securities and make contracts to purchase or sell securities for a fixed price at a future date beyond customary settlement time. When-issued securities are securities that have been authorized, but not yet issued. When-issued securities are purchased in order to secure what is considered to be an advantageous price and yield to the Fund at the time of entering into the transaction. A forward commitment involves the entering into a contract to purchase or sell securities for a fixed price at a future date beyond the customary settlement period.

The purchase of securities on a when-issued or forward commitment basis involves a risk of loss if the value of the security to be purchased declines before the settlement date. Conversely, the sale of securities on a forward commitment

basis involves the risk that the value of the securities sold may increase before the settlement date. Although a Fund will generally purchase securities on a when-issued or forward commitment basis with the intention of acquiring securities for its portfolio, a Fund may dispose of when-issued securities or forward commitments prior to settlement if the Investment Adviser deems it appropriate.

***Repurchase Agreements.*** Repurchase agreements involve the purchase of securities subject to the seller's agreement to repurchase them at a mutually agreed upon date and price. Each Fund may enter into repurchase agreements with securities dealers and banks which furnish collateral at least equal in value or market price to the amount of their repurchase obligation. The International Equity Fund may also enter into repurchase agreements involving certain foreign government securities.

If the other party or "seller" defaults, a Fund might suffer a loss to the extent that the proceeds from the sale of the underlying securities and other collateral held by the Fund are less than the repurchase price and the Fund's costs associated with delay and enforcement of the repurchase agreement. In addition, in the event of bankruptcy of the seller, a Fund could suffer additional losses if a court determines that the Fund's interest in the collateral is not enforceable.

Certain Funds, together with other registered investment companies having advisory agreements with the Investment Adviser or any of its affiliates, may transfer uninvested cash balances into a single joint account, the daily aggregate balance of which will be invested in one or more repurchase agreements.

***Lending of Portfolio Securities.*** Each Fund may engage in securities lending. Securities lending involves the lending of securities owned by a Fund to financial institutions such as certain broker-dealers, including Goldman Sachs. The borrowers are required to secure their loans continuously with cash, cash equivalents, U.S. government securities or letters of credit in an amount at least equal to the market value of the securities loaned. Cash collateral may be invested by a Fund in short-term investments, including unregistered investment pools managed by the Investment Adviser or its affiliates. To the extent that cash collateral is so invested, such collateral will be subject to market depreciation or appreciation, and a Fund will be responsible for any loss that might result from its investment of the borrowers' collateral. If the Investment Adviser determines to make securities loans, the value of the securities loaned may not exceed 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ % of the value of the total assets of a Fund (including the loan collateral). Loan collateral (including any investment of that collateral) is not subject to the percentage limitations described elsewhere in

this Prospectus regarding investments in fixed-income instruments and cash equivalents.

A Fund may lend its securities to increase its income. A Fund may, however, experience delay in the recovery of its securities or incur a loss if the institution with which it has engaged in a portfolio loan transaction breaches its agreement with the Fund or becomes insolvent.

**Short Sales Against-the-Box.** Certain Funds may make short sales against-the-box. A short sale against-the-box means that at all times when a short position is open the Fund will own an equal amount of securities sold short, or securities convertible into or exchangeable for, without payment of any further consideration, an equal amount of the securities of the same issuer as the securities sold short.

**Borrowings.** Each Fund can borrow money from banks and other financial institutions in amounts not exceeding one-third of their total assets for temporary or emergency purposes. A Fund may not make additional investments if borrowings exceed 5% of its total assets.

**Currency Swaps.** Currency swaps involve the exchange of the parties' respective rights to make or receive payments in specified currencies.

The International Equity Fund may enter into currency swap transactions for hedging purposes or to seek to increase total

return. The use of currency swaps is a highly specialized activity which involves investment techniques and risks different from those associated with ordinary portfolio securities transactions. If the Investment Adviser is incorrect in its forecasts of currency exchange rates, the investment performance of a Fund would be less favorable than it would have been if these investment techniques were not used.

**REITs.** Each Fund may invest in REITs. REITs are pooled investment vehicles that invest primarily in either real estate or real estate related loans. The value of a REIT is affected by changes in the value of the properties owned by the REIT or securing mortgage loans held by the REIT. REITs are dependent upon the ability of the REITs' managers, and are subject to heavy cash flow dependency, default by borrowers and the qualification of the REITs under applicable regulatory requirements for favorable income tax treatment. REITs are also subject to risks generally associated with investments in real estate including possible declines in the value of real estate, general and local economic conditions, environmental problems and changes in interest rates. To the extent that assets underlying a REIT are concentrated geographically, by property type or in certain other respects, these risks may be heightened. A Fund will indirectly bear its proportionate share of any expenses, including management fees, paid by a REIT in which it invests.

## Appendix B

### Financial Highlights

The financial highlights tables are intended to help you understand a Fund's financial performance for the past five years (or less if the Fund has been in operation for less than five years). Certain information reflects financial results for a single Fund share. The total returns in the table represent the rate that an investor would have earned or lost on an investment in a Fund (assuming reinvestment of all dividends and distributions). The information for the periods ended December 31, 2000 and thereafter has been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, whose report, along with the Funds' financial statements, is included in the Funds' annual report (available upon request without charge). The information for all periods prior to the period ended December 31, 2000 has been audited by the Funds' previous independent auditors.

	Net asset value at beginning of period	Income (loss) from investment operations		Total from investment operations	Distributions to shareholders			
		Net investment income (loss)	Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)		From net investment income	In excess of net investment income	From tax return of capital	From net realized gain
<b>Growth and Income Fund</b>								
For the year ended December 31, 2001	\$10.34	\$0.05 <sup>(c)</sup>	\$(1.02)	\$(0.97)	\$(0.04)	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
For the year ended December 31, 2000	10.89	0.04 <sup>(c)</sup>	(0.55)	(0.51)	(0.04)	—	—	—
For the year ended December 31, 1999	10.45	0.12	0.44	0.56	(0.12)	—	—	—
For the period ended December 31, 1998 (commenced January 12)	10.00	0.09	0.45	0.54	(0.09)	—	—	—
<b>CORE U.S. Equity Fund</b>								
For the year ended December 31, 2001	12.48	0.05 <sup>(c)</sup>	(1.54)	(1.49)	(0.05)	—	—	—
For the year ended December 31, 2000	13.98	0.11 <sup>(c)</sup>	(1.46)	(1.35)	(0.08)	—	—	(0.07)
For the year ended December 31, 1999	11.42	0.05	2.72	2.77	(0.05)	—	—	(0.16)
For the period ended December 31, 1998 (commenced February 13)	10.00	0.05	1.42	1.47	(0.05)	—	—	—
<b>CORE Small Cap Equity Fund</b>								
For the year ended December 31, 2001	10.40	0.03 <sup>(c)</sup>	0.44	0.47	(0.02)	—	(0.01)	—
For the year ended December 31, 2000	10.60	0.06 <sup>(c)</sup>	0.09	0.15	(0.04)	—	—	(0.31)
For the year ended December 31, 1999	9.04	0.02	1.56	1.58	(0.02)	—	—	—
For the period ended December 31, 1998 (commenced February 13)	10.00	0.02	(0.95)	(0.93)	(0.02)	(0.01)	—	—
<b>Capital Growth Fund</b>								
For the year ended December 31, 2001	12.09	0.02 <sup>(c)</sup>	(1.78)	(1.76)	(0.02)	—	—	(0.03)
For the year ended December 31, 2000	14.01	0.01 <sup>(c)</sup>	(1.16)	(1.15)	(0.01)	—	—	(0.76)
For the year ended December 31, 1999	11.31	0.01	3.04	3.05	(0.01)	—	—	(0.34)
For the period ended December 31, 1998 (commenced April 30)	10.00	0.03	1.31	1.34	(0.03)	—	—	—
<b>Mid Cap Value Fund</b>								
For the year ended December 31, 2001	10.67	0.14 <sup>(c)</sup>	1.14	1.28	(0.11)	—	—	(0.55)
For the year ended December 31, 2000	8.42	0.15 <sup>(c)</sup>	2.45	2.60	(0.08)	—	—	(0.27)
For the year ended December 31, 1999	8.57	0.07	(0.15)	(0.08)	(0.07)	—	—	—
For the period ended December 31, 1998 (commenced May 1)	10.00	0.07	(1.43)	(1.36)	(0.07)	—	—	—
<b>International Equity Fund</b>								
For the year ended December 31, 2001	11.78	0.05 <sup>(c)</sup>	(2.68)	(2.63)	(0.09)	—	(0.04)	(0.03)
For the year ended December 31, 2000	14.47	0.05 <sup>(c)</sup>	(1.99)	(1.94)	—	—	—	(0.75)
For the year ended December 31, 1999	11.91	0.07	3.66	3.73	(0.07)	(0.13)	—	(0.97)
For the period ended December 31, 1998 (commenced January 12)	10.00	0.02	1.98	2.00	—	—	—	(0.09)

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Total distributions	Net asset value, end of period	Total return <sup>(a)</sup>	Net assets at end of period (in 000s)	Ratio of net expenses to average net assets	Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets	Ratios assuming no expense reductions		Portfolio turnover rate
						Ratio of expenses to average net assets	Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets	
\$(0.04)	\$9.33	(9.34)%	\$40,593	1.00%	0.49%	1.17%	0.32%	48%
(0.04)	10.34	(4.69)	37,116	0.99	0.40	1.22	0.17	68
(0.12)	10.89	5.41	25,989	0.90	1.44	1.65	0.69	121
(0.09)	10.45	5.47	13,814	0.90 <sup>(b)</sup>	1.85 <sup>(b)</sup>	2.69 <sup>(b)</sup>	0.06 <sup>(b)</sup>	88
(0.05)	10.94	(11.94)	163,904	0.81	0.48	0.82	0.47	72
(0.15)	12.48	(9.62)	139,303	0.85	0.87	0.87	0.85	32
(0.21)	13.98	24.30	52,058	0.80	0.70	1.52	(0.02)	70
(0.05)	11.42	14.73	9,809	0.80 <sup>(b)</sup>	0.70 <sup>(b)</sup>	2.83 <sup>(b)</sup>	(1.33) <sup>(b)</sup>	75
(0.03)	10.84	4.53	54,365	1.00	0.32	1.22	0.10	105
(0.35)	10.40	1.75	40,561	0.99	0.59	1.55	0.03	91
(0.02)	10.60	17.54	13,488	0.90	0.35	4.22	(2.97)	101
(0.03)	9.04	(9.30)	4,841	0.90 <sup>(b)</sup>	0.30 <sup>(b)</sup>	3.92 <sup>(b)</sup>	(2.72) <sup>(b)</sup>	74
(0.05)	10.28	(14.46)	16,266	1.00	0.15	1.69	(0.54)	39
(0.77)	12.09	(7.98)	16,775	0.99	0.13	1.84	(0.72)	37
(0.35)	14.01	27.13	10,450	0.90	0.04	3.13	(2.19)	34
(0.03)	11.31	13.40	4,463	0.90 <sup>(b)</sup>	0.42 <sup>(b)</sup>	4.92 <sup>(b)</sup>	(3.60) <sup>(b)</sup>	20
(0.66)	11.29	12.05	243,521	0.93	1.27	0.94	1.26	82
(0.35)	10.67	31.07	101,657	1.04	1.60	1.22	1.42	101
(0.07)	8.42	(0.95)	21,882	0.95	1.30	2.19	0.06	103
(0.07)	8.57	(13.56)	5,604	0.95 <sup>(b)</sup>	1.74 <sup>(b)</sup>	4.79 <sup>(b)</sup>	(2.10) <sup>(b)</sup>	38
(0.16)	8.99	(22.26)	17,773	1.35	0.47	2.05	(0.23)	76
(0.75)	11.78	(13.19)	29,261	1.34	0.37	1.99	(0.28)	70
(1.17)	14.47	31.85	20,159	1.25	0.41	2.57	(0.91)	87
(0.09)	11.91	20.07	11,206	1.25 <sup>(b)</sup>	0.23 <sup>(b)</sup>	2.97 <sup>(b)</sup>	(1.49) <sup>(b)</sup>	76

## Footnotes:

(a) Assumes investment at the net asset value at the beginning of the period, reinvestment of all distributions and a complete redemption of the investment at the net asset value at the end of the period. Total returns for periods less than one full year are not annualized.

(b) Annualized.

(c) Calculated based on the average shares outstanding methodology.

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### Annual/Semi-annual Report

Additional information about the Funds' investments is available in the Funds' annual and semi-annual reports to shareholders. In the Funds' annual reports, you will find a discussion of the market conditions and investment strategies that significantly affected the Funds' performance during their last fiscal year.

Your insurance company will provide you with annual and semi-annual reports if those Funds serve as the investment vehicle for your variable annuity contract or variable life insurance policy.

### Statement of Additional Information

Additional information about the Funds and their policies is also available in the Funds' Additional Statement. The Additional Statement is incorporated by reference into this Prospectus (is legally considered part of this Prospectus).

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