Pending reorganization of Tortoise North American Energy Independence Fund into Tortoise Select Opportunity Fund

Frequently Asked Questions

While this Q&A has been provided for your convenience, it is recommended that you read the complete information statement/prospectus.

Q: What is the proposed fund reorganization?

A: After careful consideration, the Board of Trustees has determined that merging Tortoise Energy Independence Fund (the Target Fund) into Tortoise Select Opportunity Fund (the Acquiring Fund) is likely to result in lower fees and expenses and increased economies of scale, and is, therefore, in the best interests of the shareholders of the Target Fund.

Q: Why was the reorganization approved by the Board of Trustees?

A: The Board of Trustees considered the following factors, among others, in reaching the conclusion to approve the reorganization:

- The Energy Independence Fund and Select Opportunity Fund have identical investment objectives of total return and fundamental investment restrictions and management fees; Note: As of 2/28/2017 there was also partial overlap of top 10 holdings
- The Tortoise personnel that manage the Acquiring Fund are the same personnel that manage the Target Fund;
- The Board of Trustees will continue to oversee the Acquiring Fund;
- Following the reorganization, the total operating expense ratio before expense reimbursement for the Acquiring Fund, including Target Fund fees and expenses, is expected to be substantially less than for the Target Fund. For more detail, please see the information statement/prospectus
- The reorganization is expected to be a tax-free reorganization;
- Tortoise has agreed to pay all of the costs associated with the reorganization;
- The interests of the current shareholders of the Target Fund and the Acquiring Fund will not be diluted as a result of the reorganization;
- The Board of Trustees also considered alternatives to the reorganization, such as the liquidation of the Target Fund. For more detail, please see the information statement/prospectus

Q: Why do the reorganization now?

A: After nearly four years of operations and continuing distribution efforts, Tortoise Energy Independence Fund has garnered nominal net assets making it uneconomical to sustain operations. At this time, Tortoise Select Opportunity Fund is heavily weighted toward the upstream space, creating partial overlap in the top 10 holdings as noted above.

Q: How will the reorganization benefit investors?

A: The biggest expected benefits of the reorganization are cost savings and economies of scale

Q: How will the reorganization work?

A: Below is a timeline of events:

- The Target Fund will transfer all of its assets and liabilities to the Acquiring Fund.
- The Acquiring Fund will issue that number of shares of its common stock to the Target Fund in an amount that will equal, in aggregate net asset value, the aggregate net asset value of the shares of the Target Fund on the last business day preceding the closing of the Reorganization.
- The Acquiring Fund will open accounts for the Target Fund shareholders, crediting the shareholders, in exchange for their shares of the Target Fund, with that number of full and fractional shares of the corresponding class of the Acquiring Fund that are equivalent in aggregate net asset value to the aggregate net asset value of the shareholders' shares in the Target Fund at the time of the Reorganization.
- The Trust will then dissolve the Target Fund.

Q: How will the number of shares of the Acquiring Fund a Target Fund shareholder receives in the reorganization be determined?

A: Upon completion of the reorganization, each shareholder of the Target Fund will own that number of full and fractional shares of the corresponding class of the Acquiring Fund having an aggregate net asset value equal to the aggregate net asset value of such shareholder's shares held in the Target Fund as of the Valuation Date (the last business day preceding the closing date of the reorganization). Please read the information statement/prospectus for a full description.

Q: Will I have to pay any sales load, commission or other similar fees in connection with the reorganization?

A: You will pay no sales loads, commissions, transaction fee or other similar fee in connection with the reorganization.

Q: Is the reorganization expected to be a taxable event for fund shareholders?

A: No. The reorganization is intended to qualify as tax-free for federal income tax purposes. This means it is expected that neither the funds nor their shareholders will recognize any gain or loss for federal income tax purposes as a result of the reorganization.

Q: Does the reorganization require a shareholder vote?

A: Shareholder approval is not required to effect the reorganization.

Q: When is the reorganization expected to close?

A: The reorganization is expected to close on or about June 19, 2017.

Q: Who do I contact for further information?

A: You may contact your Regional Vice President, your Regional Consultant or Pam Kearney (Investor Relations) toll-free at (866) 362-9331 for further information.

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