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<b>REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933</b>	þ
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Approximate date of proposed public offering: As soon as practicable after the effective date of this Registration Statement.

The Registrant hereby amends this registration statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the Registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this registration statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 or until this registration statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

### **Calculation of Registration Fee under the Securities Act of 1933:**

		Proposed	Proposed Maximum	
Title of Securities	Amount Being	Maximum Offering	Aggregate Offering	Amount of
Being Registered	Registered	Price per Unit	Price <sup>(1)</sup>	<b>Registration Fee</b>
Common Shares of			\$479,891,500	\$54,996
Beneficial Interest				

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(1) Estimated solely for purposes of calculating the registration fee. Based on average high and low reported price for Invesco Municipal Premium Income Trust Common Shares on April 2, 2012, average of high and low reported price for Invesco Van Kampen Select Sector Municipal Trust Common Shares on April 2, 2012, and average of high and low reported price for Invesco Van Kampen Trust for Value Municipals Common Shares on April 2, 2012, in accordance with Rule 457(f)(1) under the Securities Act of 1933.

# Invesco Municipal Premium Income Trust Invesco Van Kampen Select Sector Municipal Trust Invesco Van Kampen Trust for Value Municipals Invesco Van Kampen Municipal Opportunity Trust 1555 Peachtree Street, N.E. Atlanta, GA 30309 (800) 341-2929 NOTICE OF JOINT ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS To Be Held on July 17, 2012

Notice is hereby given to holders of common shares of beneficial interest ( Common Shares ) of Invesco Municipal Premium Income Trust ( PIA ), Invesco Van Kampen Select Sector Municipal Trust ( VKL ), Invesco Van Kampen Trust for Value Municipals ( VIM, and together with PIA and VKL, the Target Funds ), and Invesco Van Kampen Municipal Opportunity Trust (the Acquiring Fund or VMO ), that the Funds will hold a joint annual meeting of shareholders (the Meeting ) on July 17, 2012, at [2:00] p.m., Eastern time, at 1555 Peachtree Street, N.E. Atlanta, Georgia 30309. The Target Funds and the Acquiring Fund collectively are referred to as the Funds and each is referred to individually as a Fund. At the Meeting, holders of Common Shares ( Common Shareholders ) will be asked to vote on the following proposals:

- 1) For each Fund, approval of an Agreement and Plan of Redomestication that provides for the reorganization of such Fund as a Delaware statutory trust.
- 2) Approval of the merger of each Target Fund into the Acquiring Fund, which shall require the following shareholder actions:

(a) For each Target Fund, approval of an Agreement and Plan of Merger that provides for such Target Fund to merge with and into the Acquiring Fund.

(b) For the Acquiring Fund, approval of the following sub-proposals:

(i) Approval of an Agreement and Plan of Merger that provides for PIA to merge with and into the Acquiring Fund.

(ii) Approval of an Agreement and Plan of Merger that provides for VKL to merge with and into the Acquiring Fund.(iii) Approval of an Agreement and Plan of Merger that provides for VIM to merge with and into the Acquiring Fund.

- 3) For PIA, the election of a class of Trustees to its Board of Trustees.
- 4) For each of VKL, VIM and the Acquiring Fund, the election of a class of Trustees to its Board of Trustees, as follows:

(a) For VIM and the Acquiring Fund, the election of one Class II Trustee to its Board of Trustees.

(b) For VKL, the election of two Class III Trustees to its Board of Trustees.

Each Fund may also transact such other business as may properly come before the Meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof.

Common Shareholders of record as of the close of business on May 23, 2012, are entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the Meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof. Holders of the Funds preferred shares of beneficial interest, whose voting instructions are being separately solicited, will also vote on certain matters at the Meeting.

The Board of Trustees of each Fund requests that you vote your shares by either (i) completing the enclosed proxy card and returning it in the enclosed postage paid return envelope, or (ii) voting by telephone or via the internet using the instructions on the proxy card. Please vote your shares promptly regardless of the number of shares you own.

Each Target Fund does not believe that its shareholders are entitled to appraisal rights in connection with its merger. However, the availability of dissenters appraisal rights in connection with such a transaction involving a Massachusetts business trust has not been judicially determined, and, accordingly, depending on such determination, Target Fund shareholders may be entitled to appraisal rights under Massachusetts law. Any shareholder seeking to assert appraisal rights with respect to a merger will be required to give written notice, before the shareholders vote on whether to approve the merger, of the shareholder s intent to demand payment pursuant to appraisal rights, and to comply with the requirement to not vote to approve the merger.

Each Fund s Board recommends that you cast your vote for the above proposals and for all the Trustee nominees as described in the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus. For PIA:

Mr. Philip Taylor President and Principal Executive Officer

June [], 2012

For VKL, VIM and the Acquiring Fund (VMO), by order of the Board of Trustees:

Mr. John M. Zerr Senior Vice President, Secretary and Chief Legal Officer

June [ ], 2012 IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING THE AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIALS FOR THE JOINT ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS TO BE HELD JULY 17, 2012: The proxy statement and annual report to shareholders are available at www.invesco.com/us.

# Invesco Municipal Premium Income Trust Invesco Van Kampen Select Sector Municipal Trust Invesco Van Kampen Trust for Value Municipals Invesco Van Kampen Municipal Opportunity Trust 1555 Peachtree Street, N.E. Atlanta, GA 30309 (800) 341-2929 JOINT PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS June [], 2012 Introduction

This Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus (the Proxy Statement ) contains information that holders of common shares of beneficial interest ( Common Shares ) of Invesco Municipal Premium Income Trust ( PIA ), Invesco Van Kampen Select Sector Municipal Trust ( VKL ), Invesco Van Kampen Trust for Value Municipals ( VIM, and together with PIA and VKL, the Target Funds ), and Invesco Van Kampen Municipal Opportunity Trust (the Acquiring Fund or VMO ) should know before voting on the proposals that are described herein. The Target Funds and the Acquiring Fund collectively are referred to as the Funds and each is referred to individually as a Fund.

A joint annual meeting of the shareholders of the Funds (the Meeting ) will be held at 1555 Peachtree Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30309 on July 17, 2012, at [2:00] p.m., Eastern time. The following describes the proposals to be voted on by holders of Common Shares ( Common Shareholders ) at the Meeting:

- 1) For each Fund, approval of an Agreement and Plan of Redomestication that provides for the reorganization of such Fund as a Delaware statutory trust.
- 2) Approval of the merger of each Target Fund into the Acquiring Fund, which shall require the following shareholder actions:

(a) For each Target Fund, approval of an Agreement and Plan of Merger that provides for such Target Fund to merge with and into the Acquiring Fund.

(b) For the Acquiring Fund, approval of the following sub-proposals:

(i) Approval of an Agreement and Plan of Merger that provides for PIA to merge with and into the Acquiring Fund.

(ii) Approval of an Agreement and Plan of Merger that provides for VKL to merge with and into the Acquiring Fund.

- (iii) Approval of an Agreement and Plan of Merger that provides for VIM to merge with and into the Acquiring Fund.
  - 3) For PIA, the election of a class of Trustees to its Board of Trustees.
  - 4) For each of VKL, VIM and the Acquiring Fund, the election of a class of Trustees to its Board of Trustees, as follows:

(a) For VIM and the Acquiring Fund, the election of one Class II Trustee to its Board of Trustees.

(b) For VKL, the election of two Class III Trustees to its Board of Trustees.

Each Fund may also transact such other business as may properly come before the Meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof.

The redomestications contemplated by Proposal 1 are referred to herein each individually as a Redomestication and together as the Redomestications. The mergers contemplated by Proposal 2 are referred to herein each individually as a Merger and together as the Mergers.

The Boards of Trustees of the Funds (the Boards ) have fixed the close of business on May 23, 2012, as the record date ( Record Date ) for the determination of shareholders entitled to notice of and to vote at the Meeting and at any adjournment or postponement thereof. Shareholders will be entitled to one vote for each share held (and a proportionate fractional vote for each fractional share). Holders of the preferred shares of beneficial interest ( Preferred Shares ) of the Funds, whose voting instructions are being separately solicited, will also vote on certain matters at the Meeting.

This Proxy Statement, the enclosed Notice of Joint Annual Meeting of Shareholders, and the enclosed proxy card will be mailed on or about June 21, 2012, to all Common Shareholders eligible to vote at the Meeting. Each Fund is a closed-end management investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the

1940 Act ). The Common Shares of PIA, VIM and the Acquiring Fund are listed on the New York Stock Exchange (the NYSE ), the Common Shares of VKL, VIM and the Acquiring Fund are also listed on the Chicago Stock Exchange, and the Common Shares of VKL are also listed on the NYSE Amex (together with the NYSE and the Chicago Stock Exchange, the Exchanges ). This document is both a proxy statement for Common Shares of each Fund and also a prospectus for Common Shares of the Acquiring Fund.

The Meeting is scheduled as a joint meeting of the shareholders of the Funds and certain affiliated funds, whose votes on proposals applicable to such funds are being solicited separately, because the shareholders of the funds are expected to consider and vote on similar matters. In the event that a shareholder of a Fund present at the Meeting objects to the holding of a joint meeting and moves for an adjournment of the meeting of such Fund to a time immediately after the joint meeting so that such Fund s meeting may be held separately, the persons named as proxies will vote in favor of the adjournment.

A joint Proxy Statement is being used in order to reduce the preparation, printing, handling and postage expenses that would result from the use of separate proxy materials for each Fund. You should retain this Proxy Statement for future reference, as it sets forth concisely information about the Funds that you should know before voting on the proposals and because it will be the only prospectus you receive for your Acquiring Fund Common Shares. Additional information about each Fund is available in the annual and semi-annual reports to shareholders of such Fund. These documents are on file with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC ). The statement of additional information about the Funds that is incorporated herein by reference and is deemed to be part of this Proxy Statement. Each Fund s most recent annual report to shareholders, which contains audited financial statements for the Funds most recently completed fiscal year, and each Fund s most recent semi-annual report to shareholders have been previously mailed to shareholders and are available on the Funds website at www.invesco.com/us. Copies of all of these documents are available upon request without charge by writing to the Funds at 11 Greenway Plaza, Suite 2500, Houston, Texas 77046, or by calling (800) 341-2929.

You also may view or obtain these documents from the SEC s Public Reference Room, which is located at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549, or from the SEC s website at www.sec.gov. Information on the operation of the SEC s Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling the SEC at (202) 551-8090. You can also request copies of these materials, upon payment at the prescribed rates of the duplicating fee, by electronic request to the SEC s e-mail address (publicinfo@sec.gov) or by writing to the Public Reference Branch, Office of Consumer Affairs and Information Services, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, D.C. 20549-1520. You may also inspect reports, proxy material and other information concerning each of the Funds at the Exchanges. **These securities have not been approved or disapproved by the SEC nor has the SEC passed upon the accuracy or adequacy of this Proxy Statement. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense. An investment in the Funds is not a deposit with a bank and is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance**  **Corporation** (**FDIC**) or any other government agency. You may lose money by investing in the Funds.

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representations other than those contained in this Proxy Statement or related solicitation materials on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and you should not rely on such other information or representations.

### **PROPOSAL 1: APPROVAL OF REDOMESTICATION**

### On what am I being asked to vote?

Each Fund s shareholders are being asked to approve an Agreement and Plan of Redomestication (a Plan of Redomestication ) providing for the reorganization of the Fund as a Delaware statutory trust. Each Fund is currently a Massachusetts business trust. Each Fund s Plan of Redomestication provides for the Fund to transfer all of its assets and liabilities to a newly formed Delaware statutory trust whose capital structure will be substantially the same as the Fund s current structure, after which Fund shareholders will own shares of the Delaware statutory trust and the Massachusetts business trust will be liquidated and terminated. The Redomestication is only a change to your Fund s legal form of organization and there will be no change to the Fund s investments, management, fee levels, or federal income tax status as a result of the Redomestication.

Each Fund s Redomestication may proceed even if other Redomestications are not approved by shareholders or are for any other reason not completed. A form of the Plan of Redomestication is available in Exhibit A.

By voting for this Proposal 1, you will be voting to become a shareholder of a fund organized as a Delaware statutory trust with portfolio characteristics, investment objectives, strategies, risks, trustees, advisory agreements and subadvisory arrangements and other arrangements that are substantially the same as those currently in place for your Fund.

### Has my Fund s Board of Trustees approved the Redomestication?

Yes. Each Fund s Board has reviewed and unanimously approved the Plan of Redomestication and this Proposal 1. **The Board of each Fund recommends that shareholders vote for Proposal 1.** 

### What are the reasons for the proposed Redomestications?

The Redomestications will serve to standardize the governing documents and certain agreements of the Funds with each other and with other funds managed by Invesco Advisers, Inc. (the Adviser). This standardization is expected to streamline the administration of the Funds, which may result in cost savings and more effective administration by eliminating differences in governing documents or controlling law. In addition, the legal requirements governing business trusts under Massachusetts law are less certain and less developed than those under Delaware law, which sometimes necessitates the Funds bearing the cost to engage counsel to advise on the interpretation of such law.

The Redomestications are also a necessary step for the completion of the Mergers described in Proposal 2 because, as Delaware statutory trusts, the Funds may merge with no delay in transactions that are expected to qualify as tax-free reorganizations. However, the Redomestication may proceed even if the Mergers described in Proposal 2 are not approved.

## What effect will a Redomestication have on me as a shareholder?

A Redomestication will have no direct effect on Fund shareholders investments. Each redomesticated Fund will have investment advisory agreements, subadvisory arrangements, administration agreements, custodian agreements, transfer agency agreements, and other service provider arrangements that are identical in all material respects to those in place immediately before the Redomestication, with certain non-substantive revisions to standardize such agreements across the Funds. For example, after the Redomestication, the investment advisory agreements of the Funds will contain standardized language describing how investment advisory fees are calculated, but there will be no change to the actual calculation methodology. Each Fund will continue to be served by the same individuals as trustees and officers, and each Fund will continue to retain the same independent registered public accounting firm. The portfolio characteristics, investment objectives, strategies and risks of each Fund will not change as a result of the Redomestications.

Shareholder approval of a Redomestication will be deemed to constitute approval of the advisory and subadvisory agreements, as well as a vote for the election of the trustees, of the Delaware statutory trust. Accordingly, the Plan of Redomestication provides that the sole initial shareholder of each Delaware statutory trust will vote to approve the advisory and subadvisory agreements (which, as noted above, will be identical in all

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material respects to the Fund s current agreements) and to elect the trustees of the Delaware statutory trust (which, as noted above, will be the same as the Fund s current Trustees) after shareholder approval of the Redomestication but prior to the closing of each Redomestication.

After the Redomestications, each Fund will be a Delaware statutory trust whose capital structure is substantially the same as its current structure. The Common Shares of each Fund will continue to have equal rights to the payment of dividends and the distribution of assets upon liquidation, and each Fund may not declare distributions on Common Shares unless all accrued dividends on the Fund s Preferred Shares have been paid, and unless asset coverage with respect to the Fund s Preferred Shares would be at least 200% after giving effect to the distributions.

The governing documents of VKL, VIM and the Acquiring Fund before and after its Redomestication will be similar, but will contain certain material differences. Under the new governing documents, Trustees will be elected by a majority vote (i.e., nominees must receive the vote of a majority of the outstanding shares entitled to vote), while under the current governing documents, Trustees are generally elected by a plurality vote (i.e., the nominees receiving the greatest number of votes are elected). In addition, the new governing documents will not provide shareholders the ability to remove Trustees or to call special meetings of shareholders, which actions are permitted under the current governing documents. The new governing documents will also contain a different shareholder voting standard with respect to each Fund s merger, consolidation, or conversion to an open-end company that, in certain circumstances, may be a lower voting standard than under the current governing documents. The new governing documents permit termination of each Fund without shareholder approval, provided that at least 75% of the Trustees have approved such termination. The current governing documents require shareholder approval to terminate each Fund regardless of whether the Trustees have approved such termination. The new governing documents impose certain obligations on shareholders seeking to initiate a derivative action on behalf of each Fund that are not imposed under the current governing documents. For VKL, VIM and the Acquiring Fund, the new governing documents will provide for election of Trustees by all shareholders voting together as a single class, except for those Trustees specifically designated to be elected solely by the holders of Preferred Shares (Preferred Shareholders); Preferred Shareholders of VKL, VIM and the Acquiring Fund currently vote with respect only to those Trustees designated to be elected solely by the Preferred Shareholders.

The governing documents of PIA before and after its Redomestication will be similar, but will contain certain material differences. Unlike the current governing documents, the new governing documents will not provide shareholders the ability to remove Trustees or to call special meetings of shareholders. The new governing documents will also contain a different shareholder voting standard with respect to PIA s merger, consolidation, or conversion to an open-end company that, in certain circumstances, may be a lower voting standard than under the current governing documents. The new governing documents permit termination of PIA without shareholder approval, provided that at least 75% of the Trustees have approved such termination. The current governing documents require shareholder approval to terminate PIA regardless of whether the Trustees have approved such termination. The new governing documents impose certain obligations on shareholders seeking to initiate a derivative action on behalf of PIA that are not imposed under the current governing documents.

A comparison of the current and proposed governing documents of the Funds is available in Exhibit B.

The applicable Delaware statute, as applied to the Funds, will have a similar effect as the currently applicable Massachusetts statute, although the Delaware statute generally has significantly greater detail compared to the Massachusetts statute with respect to shareholder rights, voting, indemnification, and other provisions. Delaware law also limits the liability of shareholders of statutory trusts more clearly than the applicable statutes do with respect to Massachusetts business trusts. A brief comparison of the laws governing Massachusetts business trusts and Delaware statutory trusts is available in Exhibit C.

#### Will there be any tax consequences resulting from a Redomestication?

The following is a general summary of the material U.S. federal income tax considerations of the Redomestications and is based upon the current provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code ), the existing U.S. Treasury Regulations thereunder, current administrative rulings of the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and published judicial decisions, all of which are subject to change. These considerations are general in nature and individual shareholders should consult their own tax advisors as to the federal, state, local, and foreign tax

considerations applicable to them and their individual circumstances. These same considerations generally do not apply to shareholders who hold their shares in a tax-deferred account.

Each Redomestication is intended to be a tax-free reorganization pursuant to Section 368(a) of the Code. Each Fund is currently a Massachusetts business trust. Each Redomestication will be completed pursuant to a Plan of Redomestication that provides for the applicable Fund to transfer all of its assets and liabilities to a newly formed Delaware statutory trust (DE-Fund), after which Fund shareholders will own shares of the Delaware statutory trust and the Massachusetts business trust will be liquidated. Even though the Redomestication of a Fund is part of an overall plan to effect the Merger of each Target Fund with the Acquiring Fund, the Redomestications will be treated as separate transactions for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The principal federal income tax considerations that are expected to result from the Redomestication of an applicable Fund are as follows:

no gain or loss will be recognized by the Fund or the shareholders of the Fund as a result of the Redomestication;

no gain or loss will be recognized by the DE-Fund as a result of the Redomestication;

the aggregate tax basis of the shares of the DE-Fund to be received by a shareholder of the Fund will be the same as the shareholder s aggregate tax basis of the shares of the Fund; and

the holding period of the shares of the DE-Fund received by a shareholder of the Fund will include the period that a shareholder held the shares of the Fund (provided that such shares of the Fund are capital assets in the hands of such shareholder as of the Closing (as defined herein)).

Neither the Funds nor the DE-Funds have requested or will request an advance ruling from the IRS as to the federal tax consequences of the Redomestications. As a condition to Closing, Stradley Ronon Stevens & Young, LLP will render a favorable opinion to each Fund and DE-Fund as to the foregoing federal income tax consequences of each Redomestication, which opinion will be conditioned upon, among other things, the accuracy, as of the Closing Date (as defined herein), of certain representations of each Fund and DE-Fund upon which Stradley Ronon Stevens & Young, LLP will rely in rendering its opinion. A copy of the opinion will be filed with the SEC and will be available for public inspection. See Where to Find Additional Information. Opinions of counsel are not binding upon the IRS or the courts. If a Redomestication is consummated but the IRS or the courts determine that the Redomestication does not qualify as a tax-free reorganization under the Code, and thus is taxable, each Fund would recognize gain or loss on the transfer of its assets to its corresponding DE-Fund and each shareholder of the Fund would recognize a taxable gain or loss equal to the difference between its tax basis in its Fund shares and the fair market value of the shares of the DE-Fund it receives. The failure of one Redomestication to qualify as a tax-free reorganization.

# When are the Redomestications expected to occur?

If shareholders of a Fund approve Proposal 1, it is anticipated that such Fund s Redomestication will occur in the third quarter of 2012.

### What will happen if shareholders of a Fund do not approve Proposal 1?

If Proposal 1 is not approved by a Fund s shareholders or if a Redomestication is for other reasons not able to be completed, that Fund would not be redomesticated. In addition, that Fund would not participate in a Merger, even if that Fund s shareholders approve the Merger under Proposal 2. If Acquiring Fund Shareholders do not approve Proposal 1 or if the Acquiring Fund s Redomestication is for any other reason not completed, no Mergers would be completed. If Proposal 1 is not approved by shareholders, the applicable Fund s Board will consider other possible courses of action for that Fund.

### THE BOARDS RECOMMEND THAT YOU VOTE FOR THE APPROVAL OF PROPOSAL 1. PROPOSAL 2: APPROVAL OF MERGERS

### On what am I being asked to vote?

Shareholders of each Target Fund are being asked to consider and approve a Merger of their Target Fund with and into the Acquiring Fund, as summarized below. Shareholders of the Acquiring Fund are also being asked to consider and approve each such Merger, which involves the issuance of new Common and Preferred Shares by the Acquiring Fund. If a Merger is approved, Common Shares of the Target Fund will be exchanged for newly

issued Acquiring Fund Common Shares of equal aggregate net asset value. Preferred Shares of a Target Fund will be exchanged for newly issued Acquiring Fund Preferred Shares with substantially identical terms, including equal aggregate liquidation preferences.

Each Merger will be completed pursuant to an Agreement and Plan of Merger (Merger Agreement) that provides for the applicable Target Fund to merge with and into the Acquiring Fund pursuant to the Delaware Statutory Trust Act. A form of the Merger Agreement is included as Exhibit D. Each Merger Agreement is substantially the same. The merger of one Target Fund and the Acquiring Fund may proceed even if the merger of the other Target Fund is not approved by shareholders or is for any other reason not completed. A Merger can proceed only if both the Target Fund and the Acquiring Fund have also approved their respective Redomestications.

### SUMMARY OF KEY INFORMATION REGARDING THE MERGERS

The following is a summary of certain information contained elsewhere in this Proxy Statement and in the Merger Agreement. Shareholders should read the entire Proxy Statement carefully for more complete information. **Has my Fund s Board of Trustees approved the Merger(s)**?

Yes. Each Fund s Board has reviewed and unanimously approved the Merger Agreement and this Proposal 2. Each Fund s Board determined that the Mergers are in the best interest of each Fund and will not dilute the interests of the existing shareholders of any Fund. Each Fund s Board recommends that shareholders vote FOR Proposal 2. What are the reasons for the proposed Mergers?

The Mergers proposed in this Proxy Statement are part of a larger group of transactions across the Adviser s fund platform that began in early 2011. The Mergers are being proposed to reduce the number of closed-end funds with similar investment processes and investment philosophies managed by the Adviser.

Fund shareholders may benefit from the Mergers by becoming shareholders of a larger Fund that may have a more diversified portfolio [lower expense ratios, which could increase yields], greater market liquidity, more analyst coverage, and smaller spreads and trading discounts, although there is no guarantee that this will occur.

In considering the Mergers and the Merger Agreement, the Board of each Fund considered these and other factors in concluding that the Mergers would be in the best interest of the Funds and would not dilute the interests of the existing shareholders of any Fund. The Boards considerations are described in more detail below in the section entitled Additional Information About the Funds and the Mergers Board Considerations in Approving the Mergers . What effect will a Merger have on me as a shareholder?

If you own Target Fund Common Shares, you will, after the Merger, own Common Shares of the Acquiring Fund with an aggregate net asset value equal to the Target Fund Common Shares you held immediately before the Merger. It is likely, however, that the market value of such Common Shares will differ because market value reflects trading activity on the Exchanges and tends to vary from net asset value.

If you are a Common Shareholder of the Acquiring Fund, your Common Shares of the Acquiring Fund will not be changed by a Merger, but will represent a smaller percentage interest in a larger fund.

The principal differences between the Target Funds and the Acquiring Fund are described in the following sections.

### How do the Funds investment objectives and principal investment strategies compare?

The Funds have substantially the same investment objectives as shown below. However, VKL has a secondary investment objective to seek to enhance the total return provided to the Fund s Common Shareholders. Neither PIA, VIM nor the Acquiring Fund has a secondary investment objective. For each Fund, the investment objective is fundamental and may not be changed without approval of a majority of the Fund s outstanding voting securities, as defined in the 1940 Act.

### VIM

To provide Common Shareholders with a high level of current income exempt from federal income tax, consistent with preservation of capital.

# VKL

To seek to provide Common Shareholders with a high level of current income exempt from federal income tax, consistent with preservation of capital. VKL s secondary investment objective is to seek to enhance the total return provided to Common Shareholders.

## PIA

To provide a high level of current income which is exempt from federal income tax.

The principal investment strategies of the Acquiring Fund are substantially the same as the principal investment strategies of VKL and VIM. The main difference in the Funds principal investment strategies is that, as an additional strategy, VKL seeks to achieve its investment objective primarily by investing in a portfolio of municipal securities selected by the Adviser from certain sectors of the municipal securities market under normal market conditions.

The principal investment strategies of the Acquiring Fund are similar to the principal investment strategies of PIA. The differences in the Funds principal investment strategies include how they define investment grade municipal securities, and the types of temporary investments in which they can invest.

The section below entitled Additional Information About the Funds and the Mergers - Comparison of Principal Investment Strategies provides more information on the principal investment strategies of the Target Funds and the Acquiring Fund and highlights certain key differences.

# How do the Funds principal risks compare?

The principal risks that may affect each Fund s investment portfolio are substantially the same. The main difference in the risks of the Funds is that market segment/sector risk may be heightened for VKL due to its principal investment strategy. Also, PIA is not subject to swap risk. The risks each Fund have in common are municipal securities risk, insurance risk, market risk, interest rate risk, credit risk, income risk, call risk, market segment risk, tax risk, risks of using derivative instruments, risks of investing in lower-grade securities, liquidity risk, preferred shares risk, unrated securities risk, when-issued and delayed delivery risks and zero coupon/PIK bond risk.

Investment in any of the Funds involves risks, including the risk that shareholders may receive little or no return on their investment, and the risk that shareholders may lose part or all of the money they invest. There can be no guarantee against losses resulting from an investment in a Fund, nor can there be any assurance that a Fund will achieve its investment objectives. Whether a Fund achieves its investment objectives depends on market conditions generally and on the Adviser s analytical and portfolio management skills. As with any managed fund, the Adviser may not be successful in selecting the best-performing securities or investment techniques, and a Fund s performance may lag behind that of similar funds. The risks associated with an investment in a Fund can increase during times of significant market volatility. An investment in a Fund is not a deposit in a bank and is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency. Before investing in a Fund, potential shareholders should carefully evaluate the risks.

Additional information on the principal risks of each Fund is included below under Additional Information About the Funds and the Mergers Principal Risks of an Investment in the Funds and in the SAI. **How do the Funds expenses compare?** 

### Acquiring Fund (VMO)

To provide Common Shareholders with a high level of current income exempt from federal income tax, consistent with preservation of capital. The table below provides a summary comparison of the expenses of the Funds. The table also shows estimated expenses on a *pro forma* basis giving effect to the proposed Merger with [PIA] and giving effect to all of the Mergers. The *pro forma* expense ratios show projected estimated expenses, but actual expenses may be greater

or less than those shown. Note that pro forma total expenses of the Acquiring Fund are expected to be <u>higher</u> than the current total expenses of PIA.

It is anticipated that the lowest expense ratio will be achieved for the Acquiring Fund if all of the Mergers are completed and that the highest expense ratio will result if [PIA] is the only Target Fund that participates in a Merger with the Acquiring Fund. The range of impact to Fund expenses is reflected in the following expense table, which provides the highest and lowest projected expense ratios for the Acquiring Fund.

		•	Current*		Pro Forma* [PIA] + Acquiring Fund	Pro Forma* [PIA, VKL, VIM]	
<b>Shareholder Fees</b> (Fees paid	PIA	VKL	VIM	Acquiring Fund (VMO)	(assumes only Merger with [PIA] is completed)	+ Acquiring Fund (assumes [all] Mergers are completed)	
directly from your investment) Maximum Sales Charge (Load) Imposed on Purchases (as a percentage of offering price) Dividend Reinvestment Plan <b>Annual Fund</b> <b>Operating</b> <b>Expenses</b> (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the	None (a) None (b)	None (a) None (b)	None (a) None (b)	None (a) None (b)	None (a) None (b)	None (a) None (b)	
value of your investment) Management Fees (d) [Interest and Related Expenses]	[]%	[]%	[]%	[]%	[]% (d)	[ <u>]</u> % (d)	
(g) Other Expenses Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses [Delete this line item if it is 0.00%	[]%	[]%	[]%	[]%	[]%	[]%	
across all columns] Total Annual Fund Operating	[]% []%(c)	[ <u>]</u> % [_]% (c)	[ <u>]</u> % [_]% (c)	[]% (f) []% (c)	[]% (f) []	[]% (f) []	

Expenses Fee Waiver and/or Expense Reimbursement [Delete this line item if fee waiver is 0.00% across all						
columns]	[0.00]%	[0.00]%	[0.00]%	[0.00]%	[0.00]%(e)	[0.00]% (e)
Total Annual Fund						
Operating Expenses after Fee						
Waiver and/or						
Expense						
Reimbursement						
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item if fee waiver						
is 0.00% across all	Г 1 <i>0</i> 7-	Г 1 <i>0</i> /-	[ 1 <i>0</i> ]_	[ 1 <i>0</i> /-	[ ] <i>0</i> /_	۲ 1 <i>0</i> 2
columns]	[]%	[]%	[]%	[]%	[]%	[]%

- \* [Expense ratios reflect annual fund operating expenses for the most recent fiscal year of the Funds. Preferred Shares do not bear any transaction or operating expenses of the Funds. *Pro forma* numbers are estimated as if the Merger(s) had been completed as of March 1, 2011 and do not include the estimated costs of the Merger. The estimated Merger costs that each Target Fund will bear are [\$100,000]. The Adviser estimates that shareholders will recoup these costs through reduced expenses in [10] months or less.] For more information on the costs of the Mergers to be borne by the Funds, see Costs of the Mergers below.
- (a) Common Shares of each Fund purchased on the secondary market are not subject to sales charges, but may be subject to brokerage commissions or other charges.
- (b) Each participant in a Fund s dividend reinvestment plan pays a proportionate share of the brokerage commissions incurred with respect to open market purchases in connection with such plan. For each Fund s last fiscal year, participants in the plan incurred brokerage commissions representing \$[0.03] per Common Share.
- (c) Based on estimated amounts for the current fiscal year.
- (d) [Although the management fee rates will not change in connection with the merger, the *pro forma* combined fund would have proportionately more leverage through Preferred Shares than is currently the case for any Target Fund.]
- (e) [Effective upon the closing of the Merger, the Adviser has contractually agreed, through at least June 30, 2014, to waive advisory fees and/or reimburse expenses to the extent necessary to limit the Acquiring Fund s Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses After Fee Waiver and/or Expense Reimbursement (which excludes certain items discussed below) to [\_\_]% of average daily net assets. In determining the Adviser s obligation to waive advisory fees and/or reimburse expenses, the following expenses are not taken into account, and could cause Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses After Fee Waiver and/or Expense Reimbursement to exceed the limit reflected above: (i) interest; (ii) taxes; (iii) dividend expense on short sales; (iv) extraordinary or non-routine items, such as litigation,

reorganizations and mergers; and (v) expenses that the Fund has incurred but did not actually pay because of an expense offset arrangement. Unless the Board and the Adviser mutually agree to amend or continue the fee waiver agreement, it will terminate on June 30, 2014.]

- (f) Unless otherwise indicated, Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses are less than 0.01%.
- (g) [ Interest and Related Expenses arises because accounting rules require the Funds to treat interest paid by trusts issuing certain inverse floating rate investments held by the Funds as having been paid (indirectly) by the Funds. Because the Funds also recognize corresponding amounts of interest income (also indirectly), each Fund s Common Share net asset value, net investment income and total return are not affected by this accounting treatment. The actual Interest and Related Expenses incurred in the future may be higher or lower.] [Dividends paid on each Fund s currently outstanding Preferred Shares are recognized as interest expense for financial reporting purposes.] [The dividend payment rate vary based on \_\_\_\_.]

## **Expense Example**

This example compares the cost of investing in Acquiring Fund Common Shares with the cost of investing in Target Fund Common Shares based on the expense table set out above. The example also provides information on a *pro forma* basis giving effect to the proposed Merger with [PIA] and giving effect to all the Mergers. It also assumes an investment at net asset value ( NAV ) of \$1,000 for the periods shown; a 5% investment return each year; the Funds operating expenses remain the same each year; that any contractual fee limits or waivers are terminated after their current terms expire; and that all dividends and distributions are reinvested at NAV. Based on these assumptions the costs would be:

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
PIA	\$ []	\$ []	\$ []	\$ []
VKL	\$ []	\$ []	\$ []	\$ []
VIM	\$ []	\$ []	\$ []	\$ []
Acquiring Fund (VMO)	\$ []	\$ []	\$ []	\$ []
Pro Forma ([PIA] + Acquiring Fund, assuming only				
Merger with [PIA] is completed)	\$ []	\$ []	\$ []	\$ []
Pro Forma (PIA, VKL, VIM + Acquiring Fund, assuming				
all of the Mergers are completed)	\$ []	\$ []	\$ []	\$ []

The Example is not a representation of past or future expenses. Each Fund s actual expenses, and an investor s direct and indirect expenses, may be more or less than those shown. The table and the assumption in the Example of a 5% annual return are required by regulations of the SEC applicable to all registered funds. The 5% annual return is not a prediction of and does not represent the Funds projected or actual performance.

For further discussion regarding the Boards consideration of the fees and expenses of the Funds in approving the Mergers, see the section entitled Additional Information About the Funds and the Mergers Board Considerations in Approving the Mergers in this Proxy Statement.

### How do the after tax performance records of the Funds compare?

The total after-tax return figures at NAV for each Fund s Common Shares as of [], 2012 are shown below. The returns below are not indicative of a Fund s future performance. Additional performance information and a discussion of performance are included in each Fund s most recent report to shareholders.

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
PIA	[]%	[]%	[]%	[]%
VKL	[]%	[]%	[]%	[]%
VIM	[]%	[]%	[]%	[]%
Acquiring Fund (VMO)	[]%	[]%	[]%	[]%
[Benchmark]	[]%	[]%	[]%	[]%

As of [\_\_], 2012, PIA had a monthly distribution yield of [\_\_]% per share, VKL had a monthly distribution yield of [\_\_]% per share, VIM had a monthly distribution yield of [\_\_]% per share, and the Acquiring Fund had a monthly distribution yield of [\_\_]% per share.

After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on an investor s tax situation and may differ from those shown, and after-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold their Common Shares through tax-deferred arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts.

### How do the management, investment adviser and other service providers of the Funds compare?

Each Fund is overseen by a Board that is comprised of some of the same individuals (described in Proposals 3 and 4) and each Fund s affairs are managed by the same officers with minor exceptions, as described in Exhibit E. The Adviser, a registered investment adviser, serves as investment adviser for each Fund pursuant to an investment advisory agreement that contains substantially identical terms (except for fees) for each Fund. The Adviser oversees the management of each Fund s portfolio, manages each Fund s business affairs and provides certain clerical, bookkeeping and other administrative services. The Adviser has acted as an investment adviser since its organization in 1976. As of [\_\_\_], 2012, the Adviser had \$[300.3] billion under management. The Adviser is located at 1555 Peachtree Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30309.

The Adviser is an indirect, wholly owned subsidiary of Invesco Ltd ( Invesco ). Invesco is a leading independent global investment management company, dedicated to helping people worldwide build their financial security. Invesco provides a comprehensive array of enduring solutions for retail, institutional and high-net-worth clients around the world. Operating in [20] countries, Invesco had \$[418.8] billion in assets under management as of [\_\_\_], 2012. Invesco is organized under the laws of Bermuda, and its common shares are listed and traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol IVZ. Invesco is located at 1555 Peachtree Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30309.

All of the ordinary business expenses incurred in the operations of a Fund are borne by the Fund unless specifically provided otherwise in the advisory agreement. Expenses borne by the Funds include but are not limited to brokerage commissions, taxes, legal, accounting, auditing, or governmental fees, the cost of preparing share certificates, custodian, transfer and shareholder service agent costs, expenses of registering and qualifying shares for sale, expenses relating to Trustee and shareholder meetings, the cost of preparing and distributing reports and notices to shareholders, and the fees and other expenses incurred by the Funds in connection with membership in investment company organizations.

A discussion of the basis for the Board s most recent approval of each Fund s investment advisory agreements is included in the Fund s semiannual report for the six months ended August 31, 2011.

The contractual advisory fee rate of the Acquiring Fund is higher than the advisory fee of PIA. The following table compares the contractual advisory fee rate of each Fund.

			Acquiring
			Fund
PIA	VKL	VIM	(VMO)
0.40%	0.55%	0.55%	0.55%
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Each of the Funds calculates its advisory fee as a percentage of its managed assets, which for this purpose means the Fund s net assets, plus assets attributable to outstanding Preferred Shares and the amount of any borrowings incurred for the purpose of leverage (whether or not such borrowed amounts are reflected in the Fund s financial statements for purposes of generally accepted accounting principles). As a result, the actual amount paid by each Fund, as a percentage of NAV, will typically exceed the contractual rate set out above. For more information, see the table above under How do the Funds expenses compare?

Contingent on the completion of the Mergers, the Adviser has contractually agreed through [ ] to waive advisory fees and/or reimburse expenses to the extent necessary to limit total annual operating expenses to of the Acquiring Fund to [ ], subject to certain exceptions.

Each Fund s advisory agreement provides that the Adviser may delegate any and all of its rights, duties, and obligations to one or more wholly owned affiliates of Invesco as sub-advisers (the Invesco Sub-Advisers ). Pursuant to the Funds Master Intergroup Sub-Advisory Contract, the Invesco Sub-Advisers may be appointed by the Adviser from time to time to provide discretionary investment management services, investment advice, and/or order execution services to a Fund. Each Invesco Sub-Adviser is registered with the SEC as an investment adviser.

Other key service providers to the Target Funds, including the administrator, transfer agent, custodian, and auditor, provide substantially the same services to the Acquiring Fund. Each Fund has entered into a master administrative services agreement with the Adviser, pursuant to which the Adviser performs or arranges for the provision of accounting and other administrative services to the Funds which are not required to be performed by the Adviser under its investment advisory agreements with the Funds. The custodian for the Funds is State Street Bank and Trust Company, One Lincoln Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02111. The transfer agent and dividend paying agent for the Funds is Computershare Trust Company, N.A., P.O. Box 43078, Providence, Rhode Island 02940-3078. **Does the Acquiring Fund have the same portfolio managers as the Target Funds?** 

Yes. The portfolio management team for the Target Funds is the same as the portfolio management team for the Acquiring Fund. Information on the portfolio managers of the Funds is included below under Additional Information About the Funds and the Mergers Portfolio Managers and in the SAI.

### How do the distribution policies of the Funds compare?

Each Fund declares and pays monthly dividends from net investment income to Common Shareholders. Each Fund declares daily and pays monthly dividends from net investment income to Preferred Shareholders. Distributions from net realized capital gain, if any, are generally paid annually and are distributed on a pro rata basis to Common and Preferred Shareholders. Each Fund may also declare and pay capital gains distributions more frequently, if necessary, in order to reduce or eliminate federal excise or income taxes on the Fund. Each Fund offers a dividend reinvestment plan for Common Shareholders, which is fully described in the Fund s shareholder reports.

# Will there be any tax consequences resulting from the Mergers?

Each Merger is designed to qualify as a tax-free reorganization for federal income tax purposes and each Fund anticipates receiving a legal opinion to that effect (although there can be no assurance that the Internal Revenue Service will adopt a similar position). This means that the shareholders of each Target Fund will recognize no gain or loss for federal income tax purposes upon the exchange of all of their shares in such Target Fund for shares in the Acquiring Fund. Shareholders should consult their tax advisor about state and local tax consequences of the Mergers, if any, because the information about tax consequences in this Proxy Statement relates only to the federal income tax consequences of the Mergers.

Prior to the closing of each Merger, each Target Fund will declare one or more dividends, and the Acquiring Fund may, but is not required to, declare a dividend, payable at or near the time of closing to their respective shareholders to the extent necessary to avoid entity level tax or as otherwise deemed desirable. Such distributions, if made, are anticipated to be made in the 2012 calendar year and, to the extent a distribution is not an exempt-interest dividend (as defined in the Code), the distribution may be taxable to shareholders in such year for federal income tax purposes. It is anticipated that Fund distributions will be primarily dividends that are exempt from regular federal income tax, although a portion of such dividends may be taxable to shareholders as ordinary income or capital gains. Any such final distribution paid to Common Shareholders by a Target Fund will be made in cash and not reinvested in additional Common Shares of the Target Fund. See the discussion under Description of Securities to be Issued Dividend Reinvestment Plan for further information.

### When are the Mergers expected to occur?

If shareholders of a Target Fund and the Acquiring Fund approve the Merger and the Redomestication (Proposal 1), it is anticipated that the Merger will occur in the third quarter of 2012.

### What will happen if shareholders of a Fund do not approve a Merger?

If a Merger is not approved by shareholders or is for other reasons unable to be completed, the applicable Fund will continue to operate and the Fund s Board will consider other possible courses of action for the Fund. What if L do not wich to participate in the Merger?

# What if I do not wish to participate in the Merger?

If you are a Target Fund Common Shareholder and you do not wish to have your Target Fund Common Shares exchanged for Common Shares of the Acquiring Fund, you may sell your Target Fund Common Shares on

an Exchange prior to the consummation of the Merger. Acquiring Fund Common Shareholders may also sell their Common Shares if they do not want to continue to own Common Shares in the combined Fund following a Merger. If you sell your Common Shares, you will incur any applicable brokerage charges, and if you hold Common Shares in a taxable account, you will recognize a taxable gain or loss based on the difference between your tax basis in the Common Shares and the amount you receive for them. After the Merger, you may sell your Common Shares of the Acquiring Fund on an Exchange.

Each Target Fund s governing documents provide that shareholders do not have the right to dissent and obtain payment of the fair value of their shares, and each Target Fund believes that its Common Shareholders will not have such rights. However, because certain contrary interpretations of applicable Massachusetts law could apply to the Target Funds, information with respect to dissenters rights under Massachusetts law is provided under Other Matters Dissenters Rights.

### Where can I find more information about the Funds and the Mergers?

The remainder of this Proxy Statement contains additional information about the Funds and the Mergers, as well as information on the other proposals to be voted on at the Meeting. You are encouraged to read the entire document. Additional information about each Fund can be found in the SAI and in the Fund s shareholder reports. If you need any assistance, or have any questions regarding the Mergers or how to vote, please call Invesco Client Services at (800) 341-2929.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE FUNDS AND THE MERGERS Principal Investment Strategies

The following section compares the principal investment strategies of the Target Funds with the principal investment strategies of the Acquiring Fund and highlights any key differences. In addition to the principal investment strategies described below, each Fund may use other investment strategies and is also subject to certain additional investment policies and limitations, which are described in the SAI and in each Fund s shareholder reports. Page [] of this Proxy Statement describes how you can obtain copies of these documents.

# Comparison of Principal Investment Strategies of VKL, VIM and the Acquiring Fund

*Investment Strategies*. The principal investment strategies of the Acquiring Fund are substantially the same as the principal investment strategies of VKL and VIM. Under normal market conditions, for each of the Acquiring Fund and VKL, at least 80% of the Fund s net assets will be invested in municipal securities. Under normal market conditions, at least 80% of VIM s total assets will be invested in municipal securities. The 80% policy stated in the foregoing sentences is a fundamental policy of each Fund, which means it may not be changed without the approval of a majority of the Fund s outstanding voting securities, as defined in the 1940 Act.

Each Fund s strategy with respect to investing in investment grade securities is substantially similar. Under normal market conditions, the Acquiring Fund and VKL s investment adviser, Invesco Advisers, Inc. (the Adviser), seeks to achieve the Fund s investment objective by investing at least 80% of the Fund s nets assets in investment grade municipal securities. Under normal market conditions, the Adviser seeks to achieve VIM s investment objective by investing at least 80% of the Fund s total assets in investment grade municipal securities. Investment grade securities are: (i) securities rated BBB- or higher by Standard & Poor s Financial Services LLC, a subsidiary of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. (S&P) or Baa3 or higher by Moody s Investors Service, Inc. (Moody s) or an equivalent rating by another nationally recognized statistical rating organization (NRSRO), (ii) comparably rated short term securities, or (iii) unrated municipal securities determined by the Adviser to be of comparable quality at the time of purchase.

The Funds have substantially similar policies with respect to investment in lower-grade municipal securities. Under normal market conditions, the Acquiring Fund and VKL may invest up to 20% of their net assets in municipal securities rated below investment grade or that are unrated but determined by the Adviser to be of comparable quality at the time of purchase. Under normal market conditions, VIM may invest up to 20% of its total assets in municipal securities rated below investment grade or that are unrated but determined by the Adviser to be of comparable quality at the time of purchase. Lower-grade or that are unrated but determined by the Adviser to be of comparable quality at the time of purchase. Lower-grade securities are commonly referred to as junk bonds and

involve greater risks than investments in higher-grade securities. Each Fund does not purchase securities that are in default or rated in categories lower than B- by S&P or B3 by Moody s or unrated securities of comparable quality.

The foregoing percentage and rating limitations apply at the time of acquisition of a security based on the last previous determination of the Funds net asset value. Any subsequent change in any rating by a rating service or change in percentages resulting from market fluctuations or other changes in the Funds total assets will not require elimination of any security from the Funds portfolio.

In addition, under normal market conditions, VKL seeks to achieve its investment objectives primarily by investing in a portfolio of municipal securities selected by the Adviser from those sectors of the municipal securities market that, in the opinion of the Adviser, offer a significant opportunity for a high level of current income exempt from federal income tax without undue risk to income or principal. The Adviser s investment approach with respect to VKL is to identify those sectors of the municipal securities market that the Adviser believes are undervalued and, within those sectors, to select individual municipal securities that are consistent with VKL s investment objectives. The Adviser believes that securities in undervalued sectors of the municipal securities market generally offer a higher yield than comparable municipal securities in more fully valued sectors of the municipal securities market. Investment in undervalued sectors of the municipal securities market also presents the opportunity for capital gains as the sector becomes more fully valued. The Adviser seeks to take advantage of such opportunities by allocating a significant portion of VKL s assets to such sectors and by seeking to minimize risk to income and principal through extensive credit research and by investing substantially all of its total assets in investment grade rated securities.

Under current market conditions, the Adviser expects to allocate VKL s investments in municipal securities primarily among the transportation, local and state general obligation, health care and utilities related sectors of the municipal securities market. The Adviser may from time to time adjust the proportion of VKL s assets allocated among these and other sectors of the municipal securities market based upon its assessment of a variety of factors, including market conditions, general economic conditions and political considerations. Subject to the VKL s policies with respect to investment in any single industry and investment in securities rated below investment grade, there is no limit on the percentage of the VKL s total assets that may be invested in municipal securities relating to any particular sector of the municipal securities market.

Each Fund may invest all or a substantial portion of its total assets in municipal securities that may subject certain investors to the federal alternative minimum tax and, therefore, a substantial portion of the income produced by each Fund may be taxable for such investors under the federal alternative minimum tax. Accordingly, each Fund may not be a suitable investment for investors who are already subject to the federal alternative minimum tax or could become subject to the federal alternative minimum tax as a result of an investment in the Fund.

The Adviser buys and sells securities for each Fund with a view towards seeking a high level of current income exempt from federal income taxes, subject to reasonable credit risk. As a result, each Fund will not necessarily invest in the highest yielding municipal securities permitted by its investment policies if the Adviser determines that market risks or credit risks associated with such investments would subject each Fund s portfolio to undue risk. The potential realization of capital gains or losses resulting from possible changes in interest rates will not be a major consideration and frequency of portfolio turnover generally will not be a limiting factor if the Adviser considers it advantageous to purchase or sell securities.

Each Fund employs a bottom-up, research-driven approach to identify securities that have attractive risk/reward characteristics for the sectors in which the Fund invests. Each Fund also integrates macroeconomic analysis and forecasting into its evaluation and ranking of various sectors and individual securities. Each Fund employs leverage in an effort to enhance its income and total return. Sell decisions are based on: (i) a deterioration or likely deterioration of an individual issuer s capacity to meet its debt obligations on a timely basis; (ii) a deterioration or likely deterioration or likely deterioration of the broader fundamentals of a particular industry or sector; and (iii) opportunities in the secondary or primary market to purchase a security with better relative value.

*Municipal Securities*. Municipal securities are obligations issued by or on behalf of states, territories or possessions of the United States, the District of Columbia and their cities, counties, political subdivisions, agencies and instrumentalities, the interest on which, in the opinion of bond counsel or other counsel to the issuers of such securities, is, at the time of issuance, exempt from federal income tax. The Adviser does not conduct its own analysis

of the tax status of the interest paid by municipal securities held by each Fund, but will rely on the opinion of counsel to the issuer of each such instrument.

The issuers of municipal securities obtain funds for various public purposes, including the construction of a wide range of public facilities such as airports, highways, bridges, schools, hospitals, housing, mass transportation, streets and water and sewer works. Other public purposes for which municipal securities may be issued include refunding outstanding obligations, obtaining funds for general operating expenses and obtaining funds to lend to other public institutions and facilities. Certain types of municipal securities are issued to obtain funding for privately operated facilities.

The yields of municipal securities depend on, among other things, general money market conditions, general conditions of the municipal securities market, size of a particular offering, the maturity of the obligation and rating of the issue. There is no limitation as to the maturity of the municipal securities in which the Funds may invest. The ratings of NRSROs represent their opinions of the quality of the municipal securities they undertake to rate. These ratings are general and are not absolute standards of quality. Consequently, municipal securities with the same maturity, coupon and rating may have different yields while municipal securities of the same maturity and coupon with different ratings may have the same yield.

The two principal classifications of municipal securities are general obligation and revenue or special delegation securities. General obligation securities are secured by the issuer s pledge of its faith, credit and taxing power for the payment of principal and interest. Revenue securities are usually payable only from the revenues derived from a particular facility or class of facilities or, in some cases, from the proceeds of a special excise tax or other specific revenue source. Industrial development bonds are usually revenue securities, the credit quality of which is normally directly related to the credit standing of the industrial user involved.

Within these principal classifications of municipal securities, there are a variety of types of municipal securities, including:

Variable rate securities, which bear rates of interest that are adjusted periodically according to formulae intended to reflect market rates of interest.

Municipal notes, including tax, revenue and bond anticipation notes of short maturity, generally less than three years, which are issued to obtain temporary funds for various public purposes.

Variable rate demand notes, which are obligations that contain a floating or variable interest rate adjustment formula and which are subject to a right of demand for payment of the principal balance plus accrued interest either at any time or at specified intervals. The interest rate on a variable rate demand note may be based on a known lending rate, such as a bank s prime rate, and may be adjusted when such rate changes, or the interest rate may be a market rate that is adjusted at specified intervals. The adjustment formula maintains the value of the variable rate demand note at approximately the par value of such note at the adjustment date.

Municipal leases, which are obligations issued by state and local governments or authorities to finance the acquisition of equipment and facilities. Certain municipal lease obligations may include non-appropriation clauses which provide that the municipality has no obligation to make lease or installment purchase payments in future years unless money is appropriated for such purpose on a yearly basis.

Private activity bonds, which are issued by, or on behalf of, public authorities to finance privately operated facilities.

Participation certificates, which are obligations issued by state or local governments or authorities to finance the acquisition of equipment and facilities. They may represent participations in a lease, an installment purchase contract or a conditional sales contract.

Municipal securities that may not be backed by the faith, credit and taxing power of the issuer.

Municipal securities that are privately placed and that may have restrictions on the Fund s ability to resell, such as timing restrictions or requirements that the securities only be sold to qualified institutional investors.

Municipal securities that are insured by financial insurance companies.

*Derivatives*. Each Fund may use derivative instruments for a variety of purposes. The Acquiring Fund and VIM may use derivatives for hedging and risk management, and (other than futures or swaps) for portfolio management or to earn income. Similarly, VKL may use derivatives for hedging, risk management or portfolio management, and (other than futures and swaps) to earn income. Derivatives are financial instruments whose value is based on the value of another underlying asset, interest rate, index or financial instrument. The derivative instruments and techniques that

each Fund may use include:

<u>Futures</u>. A futures contract is a standardized agreement between two parties to buy or sell a specific quantity of an underlying instrument at a specific price at a specific future time. The value of a futures contract tends to increase and decrease in tandem with the value of the underlying instrument. Futures contracts are bilateral agreements, with both the purchaser and the seller equally obligated to complete the transaction. Depending on the terms of the particular contract, futures contracts are settled through either physical delivery of the underlying instrument on the settlement date or by payment of a cash settlement amount on the settlement date.

Swaps. A swap contract is an agreement between two parties pursuant to which the parties exchange payments at specified dates on the basis of a specified notional amount, with the payments calculated by reference to specified securities, indexes, reference rates, currencies or other instruments. Most swap agreements provide that when the period payment dates for both parties are the same, the payments are made on a net basis (i.e., the two payment streams are netted out, with only the net amount paid by one party to the other). Each Fund s obligations or rights under a swap contract entered into on a net basis will generally be equal only to the net amount to be paid or received under the agreement, based on the relative values of the positions held by each counterparty.

*Inverse Floating Rate Obligations*. The Funds may invest in inverse floating rate obligations. Inverse floating rate obligations are variable debt instruments that pay interest at rates that move in the opposite direction of prevailing interest rates. Because the interest rate paid to holders of such obligations is generally determined by subtracting a variable or floating rate from a predetermined amount, the interest rate paid to holders of such obligations of such obligations will decrease as such variable or floating rate increases and increase as such variable or floating rate decreases. The inverse floating rate obligations in which each Fund may invest include derivative instruments such as residual interest bonds (RIBs) or tender option bonds (TOBs). Such instruments are typically created by a special purpose trust that holds long-term fixed rate bonds and sells two classes of beneficial interests: short-term floating rate interests, which are sold to third party investors, and inverse floating residual interests, which are purchased by each Fund. The short-term floating rate interests have first priority on the cash flow from the bond held by the special purpose trust and each Fund (as holder of the inverse floating residual interests) is paid the residual cash flow from the bond held by the special purpose trust.

*When-Issued and Delayed Delivery Transactions.* Each Fund may purchase and sell securities on a when-issued and delayed delivery basis, which means that each Fund buys or sells a security with payment and delivery taking place in the future. The payment obligation and the interest rate are fixed at the time each Fund enters into the commitment. No income accrues on such securities until the date each Fund actually takes delivery of the securities.

*Preferred Shares*. Each Fund uses leverage in the form of Preferred Shares. Dividends on the Preferred Shares will typically be comparable to the yields on investment grade short-term municipal securities, although the assets attributable to the Preferred Shares will generally be invested in longer-term municipal securities, which typically have higher yields than short-term municipal securities. Assuming such a yield differential, this leveraged capital structure enables each Fund to pay a potentially higher yield on the Common Shares than similar investment companies that do not use leverage.

Each Fund will generally maintain an asset coverage of the value of each Fund s total assets, less all liabilities and indebtedness of each Fund not represented by the Preferred Shares, of 200% of the aggregate liquidation value of the Preferred Shares. The liquidation value of the Preferred Shares is their aggregate original purchase price, plus any accrued and unpaid dividends.

*Portfolio Turnover*. Each Fund generally will not engage in the trading of securities for the purpose of realizing short-term profits, but it will adjust its portfolio as it deems advisable in view of prevailing or anticipated market conditions to accomplish the Fund s investment objective. For example, each Fund may sell portfolio securities in anticipation of a movement in interest rates. Other than for tax purposes, frequency of portfolio turnover will not be a limiting factor if a Fund considers it advantageous to purchase or sell securities. Each Fund does not anticipate that its annual portfolio turnover rate will be in excess of 100%. A high rate of portfolio turnover involves correspondingly greater brokerage commission and transaction expenses than a lower rate, which expenses must be borne by the Funds and their shareholders. High portfolio turnover may also result in the realization of substantial net short-term capital gains, and any distributions resulting from such gains will be taxable at ordinary income rates for federal income tax purposes.

*Temporary Defensive Strategy*. When market conditions dictate a more defensive investment strategy, each Fund may, on a temporary basis, hold cash or invest a portion or all of its assets in high-quality, short-term municipal securities. If such municipal securities are not available or, in the judgment of the Adviser, do not afford

sufficient protection against adverse market conditions, each Fund may invest in taxable instruments. Such taxable securities may include securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government, its agencies or instrumentalities, other investment grade quality fixed income securities, prime commercial paper, certificates of deposit, bankers acceptances and other obligations of domestic banks, and repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds affiliated with Invesco). In taking a defensive position, each Fund would temporarily not be pursuing its principal investment strategies and may not achieve its investment objective.

*Zero Coupon / PIK Bonds.* Each Fund may invest in securities not producing immediate cash income, including zero coupon securities or pay-in-kind (PIK) securities, when their effective yield over comparable instruments producing cash income makes these investments attractive. PIK securities are debt securities that pay interest through the issuance of additional securities. Zero coupon securities are debt securities that do not entitle the holder to any periodic payment of interest prior to maturity or a specified date when the securities begin paying current interest. They are issued and traded at a discount from their face amounts or par value, which discount varies depending on the time remaining until cash payments begin, prevailing interest rates, liquidity of the security and the perceived credit quality of the issuer. The securities do not entitle the holder to any periodic payments of interest prior to maturity, which prevents any reinvestment of interest payments at prevailing interest rates if prevailing interest rates rise. On the other hand, because there are no periodic interest payments to be reinvested prior to maturity, zero coupon securities eliminate the reinvestment risk and may lock in a favorable rate of return to maturity if interest rates drop. In addition, each Fund would be required to distribute the income on these instruments as it accrues, even though the Funds will not receive all of the income on a current basis or in cash. Thus, each Fund may have to sell other investments, including when it may not be advisable to do so, to make income distributions to the Common Shareholders.

More information on these and other investment strategies of the Funds is available in the SAI.

## Comparison of Principal Investment Strategies of PIA and the Acquiring Fund

*Investment Strategies*. The principal investment strategies of the Acquiring Fund and PIA are similar with respect to investing in municipal securities. Under normal market conditions, at least 80% of the Acquiring Fund s net assets will be invested in municipal securities. The policy stated in the foregoing sentence is a fundamental policy of the Acquiring Fund, which means that it may not be changed without the approval of a majority of the Fund s outstanding voting securities, as defined in the 1940 Act. Similarly, as a fundamental policy, PIA will invest at least 80% of its net assets in Municipal Obligations, except during temporary defensive periods. As a fundamental policy, the remaining portion of PIA s net assets may be invested in temporary investments and in options and futures, all as described below. As a fundamental policy, under normal circumstances, PIA expects that substantially greater than 80% of its net assets will be invested in Municipal Obligations. For PIA, Municipal Obligations consist of Municipal Bonds, Municipal Notes and Municipal Commercial Paper, as well as lease obligations, including such instruments purchased on a when-issued or delayed delivery basis.

Each Fund s strategy with respect to investing in investment grade securities is also similar. Under normal market conditions, the Adviser seeks to achieve the Acquiring Fund s investment objective by investing at least 80% of the Fund s net assets in investment grade municipal securities. For purposes of this 80% policy, investment grade securities are: (i) securities rated BBB- or higher by S&P or Baa3 or higher by Moody s or an equivalent rating by another NRSRO, (ii) comparably rated short term securities, or (iii) unrated municipal securities determined by the Adviser to be of comparable quality at the time of purchase.

As a fundamental policy, except during temporary defensive periods, PIA will invest at least 80% of its net assets in: (a) Municipal Bonds which are rated at the time of purchase within the four highest grades (Baa or BBB or better) by Moody s or S&P; (b) Municipal Notes which at the time of purchase are rated in the two highest grades by Moody s or in the three highest grades by S&P, or, if not rated, whose issuers have outstanding one or more issues of Municipal Bonds rated as set forth in clause (a) of this paragraph; and (c) Municipal Commercial Paper which at the time of purchase is rated P-1 or higher by Moody s and A-1 or higher by S&P. PIA considers such Municipal Bonds, Notes and Commercial Paper to be investment grade securities, although securities rated Baa by Moody s are considered to have speculative characteristics. For purposes of PIA s foregoing percentage limitation, any Municipal Bond or Municipal Note which depends directly or indirectly on the credit of the federal government shall be considered to have a Moody s rating of Aaa.

The Funds have similar policies with respect to investment in lower-grade municipal securities. Lower-grade securities are commonly referred to as junk bonds and involve greater risks than investments in higher-grade securities. Under normal market conditions, the Acquiring Fund may invest up to 20% of its net assets in municipal

securities rated below investment grade or that are unrated but determined by the Adviser to be of comparable quality at the time of purchase.

As a fundamental policy, up to 20% of PIA s net assets may be invested in all other permitted investments, including temporary investments (as described below) and including Municipal Obligations which are not rated by Moody s or S&P or, if rated, are not considered investment grade. Also, as a fundamental policy, PIA does not have a minimum quality rating standard with respect to the foregoing 20% portion of the portfolio and, thus, with respect to that portion of the portfolio, PIA may invest in instruments rated as low as C by Moody s or S&P. Securities rated Ba or BB or lower by Moody s or S&P, respectively, are considered to be speculative investments.

The Funds do not purchase securities that are in default or rated in categories lower than B- by S&P or B3 by Moody s or unrated securities of comparable quality.

Certain Municipal Bonds in which PIA may invest, and the municipal securities in which the Acquiring Fund may invest, without limit may subject certain investors to the federal alternative minimum tax and, therefore, a substantial portion of the income produced by each Fund may be taxable for such investors under the federal alternative minimum tax. Accordingly, each Fund may not be a suitable investment for investors who are already subject to the federal alternative minimum tax or could become subject to the federal alternative minimum tax as a result of an investment in the Funds.

Both Funds may invest in temporary investments for defensive purposes. In taking a defensive position, the Funds would temporarily not be pursuing their principal investment strategies and may not achieve their investment objective.

With respect to the Acquiring Fund, when market conditions dictate a more defensive investment strategy, the Fund may, on a temporary basis, hold cash or invest a portion or all of its assets in high-quality, short-term municipal securities. If such municipal securities are not available or, in the judgment of the Adviser, do not afford sufficient protection against adverse market conditions, the Acquiring Fund may invest in taxable instruments. Such taxable securities may include securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government, its agencies or instrumentalities, other investment grade quality fixed income securities, prime commercial paper, certificates of deposit, bankers acceptances and other obligations of domestic banks, repurchase agreements and money market funds (including money market funds affiliated with the Adviser).

As a fundamental policy, PIA may invest more than 20% of its net assets in temporary investments for defensive purposes (e.g., investments made during times where temporary imbalances of supply and demand or other temporary dislocations in the Municipal Obligations market adversely affect the price at which Municipal Bonds, Notes and Commercial Paper are available). As a fundamental policy, PIA will invest only in temporary investments which are certificates of deposit of U.S. domestic banks, including foreign branches of domestic banks, with assets of \$1 billion or more: bankers acceptances; time deposits; U.S. Government securities; or debt securities rated within the two highest grades by Moody s or S&P or, if not rated, are of comparable quality as determined by the Trustees, and which mature within one year from the date of purchase. Temporary investments of PIA may also include repurchase agreements, although PIA will not invest in repurchase agreements that do not mature within seven days if any such investment amounts to more than 10% of its total net assets.

As a fundamental policy, except during temporary defensive periods, PIA may not invest more than 20% of its net assets in temporary investments, the income for which may be subject to federal income taxes.

With respect to each Fund, the foregoing percentage and rating limitations apply at the time of acquisition of a security based on the last previous determination of the Fund s net asset value. Any subsequent change in any rating by a rating service or change in percentages resulting from market fluctuations or other changes in a Fund s total assets will not require elimination of any security from the Fund s portfolio.

The Adviser buys and sells securities for the Funds with a view towards seeking a high level of current income exempt from federal income taxes, subject to reasonable credit risk. As a result, the Funds will not necessarily invest in the highest yielding municipal securities permitted by its investment policies if the Adviser determines that market risks or credit risks associated with such investments would subject the Fund s portfolio to undue risk. The potential realization of capital gains or losses resulting from possible changes in interest rates will not be a major consideration and frequency of portfolio turnover generally will not be a limiting factor if the Adviser considers it advantageous to

purchase or sell securities. There is no limitation as to the maturity of the municipal securities in which the Funds may invest. In addition, PIA intends to emphasize investments in Municipal Obligations with long-term maturities because such long-term obligations generally produce higher income than

short-term obligations although such long-term obligations are more susceptible to market fluctuations resulting from changes in interest rates than shorter-term obligations. The average maturity of PIA s portfolio, as well as the emphasis on longer-term obligations, may vary depending upon market conditions.

Each Fund employs a bottom-up, research-driven approach to identify securities that have attractive risk/reward characteristics for the sectors in which the Fund invests. Each Fund also integrates macroeconomic analysis and forecasting into its evaluation and ranking of various sectors and individual securities. Each Fund employs leverage in an effort to enhance its income and total return. Sell decisions are based on: (i) a deterioration or likely deterioration of an individual issuer s capacity to meet its debt obligations on a timely basis; (ii) a deterioration or likely deterioration of the broader fundamentals of a particular industry or sector; and (iii) opportunities in the secondary or primary market to purchase a security with better relative value.

The types of municipal securities in which the Acquiring Fund invests are obligations issued by or on behalf of states, territories or possessions of the United States, the District of Columbia and their cities, counties, political subdivisions, agencies and instrumentalities, the interest on which, in the opinion of bond counsel or other counsel to the issuers of such securities, is, at the time of issuance, exempt from federal income tax.

With respect to PIA, Municipal Bonds and Municipal Notes are debt obligations of states, cities, municipalities and municipal agencies which generally have maturities, at the time of their issuance, of either one year or more (Bonds) or from six months to three years (Notes). Municipal Commercial Paper, as presently constituted, while having a final maturity of more than one year, is subject to periodic rate changes and short-term put or tender dates selected at the holder s option, prior to final maturity. Municipal Obligations in which the Fund will primarily invest bear interest that, in the opinion of bond counsel to the issuer, is exempt from federal income tax.

The Adviser does not conduct its own analysis of the tax status of the interest paid by municipal securities (and Municipal Obligations) held by each Fund, but will rely on the opinion of counsel to the issuer of each such instrument.

In the following discussion, the term municipal securities also includes Municipal Obligations. The issuers of municipal securities obtain funds for various public purposes, including the construction of a wide range of public facilities such as airports, highways, bridges, schools, hospitals, housing, mass transportation, streets and water and sewer works. Other public purposes for which municipal securities may be issued include refunding outstanding obligations, obtaining funds for general operating expenses and obtaining funds to lend to other public institutions and facilities. Certain types of municipal securities are issued to obtain funding for privately operated facilities.

The yields of municipal securities depend on, among other things, general money market conditions, general conditions of the municipal securities market, size of a particular offering, the maturity of the obligation and rating of the issue. The ratings of NRSROs represent their opinions of the quality of the municipal securities they undertake to rate. These ratings are general and are not absolute standards of quality. Consequently, municipal securities with the same maturity, coupon and rating may have different yields while municipal securities of the same maturity and coupon with different ratings may have the same yield.

The two principal classifications of municipal securities are general obligation and revenue or special delegation securities. General obligation securities are secured by the issuer s pledge of its faith, credit and taxing power for the payment of principal and interest. Revenue securities are usually payable only from the revenues derived from a particular facility or class of facilities or, in some cases, from the proceeds of a special excise tax or other specific revenue source. Industrial development bonds are usually revenue securities, the credit quality of which is normally directly related to the credit standing of the industrial user involved.

Within these principal classifications of municipal securities, there are a variety of types of municipal securities, including:

Variable rate securities, which bear rates of interest that are adjusted periodically according to formulae intended to reflect market rates of interest.

Municipal notes, including tax, revenue and bond anticipation notes of short maturity, generally less than three years, which are issued to obtain temporary funds for various public purposes.

Variable rate demand notes, which are obligations that contain a floating or variable interest rate adjustment formula and which are subject to a right of demand for payment of the principal balance plus accrued interest either at

any time or at specified intervals. The interest rate on a variable rate demand note may be based on

a known lending rate, such as a bank s prime rate, and may be adjusted when such rate changes, or the interest rate may be a market rate that is adjusted at specified intervals. The adjustment formula maintains the value of the variable rate demand note at approximately the par value of such note at the adjustment date.

Municipal leases, which are obligations issued by state and local governments or authorities to finance the acquisition of equipment and facilities. Certain municipal lease obligations may include non-appropriation clauses which provide that the municipality has no obligation to make lease or installment purchase payments in future years unless money is appropriated for such purpose on a yearly basis.

Participation certificates, which are obligations issued by state or local governments or authorities to finance the acquisition of equipment and facilities. They may represent participations in a lease, an installment purchase contract or a conditional sales contract.

Municipal securities that may not be backed by the faith, credit and taxing power of the issuer.

Municipal securities that are privately placed and that may have restrictions on the Fund s ability to resell, such as timing restrictions or requirements that the securities only be sold to qualified institutional investors.

Private activity bonds, which are issued by, or on behalf of, public authorities to finance privately operated facilities.

Municipal securities that are insured by financial insurance companies.

For PIA, certain private activity bonds, industrial development bonds and pollution control bonds may be included within the term Municipal Bonds if the interest paid thereon qualifies as exempt from federal income tax. In addition, the percentage of PIA s total assets in any one of certain specified categories of private activity bonds may not exceed 25% of its total assets.

*Derivatives*. Each Fund may use derivative instruments for a variety of purposes. The Acquiring Fund may use derivatives for hedging and risk management, and (other than futures or swaps) for portfolio management or to earn income. Similarly, PIA may use derivatives (other than swaps), and may do so for hedging, risk management, portfolio management or to earn income. Derivatives are financial instruments whose value is based on the value of another underlying asset, interest rate, index or financial instrument. The derivative instruments and techniques that each Fund may use include:

<u>Futures</u>. A futures contract is a standardized agreement between two parties to buy or sell a specific quantity of an underlying instrument at a specific price at a specific future time. The value of a futures contract tends to increase and decrease in tandem with the value of the underlying instrument. Futures contracts are bilateral agreements, with both the purchaser and the seller equally obligated to complete the transaction. Depending on the terms of the particular contract, futures contracts are settled through either physical delivery of the underlying instrument on the settlement date or by payment of a cash settlement amount on the settlement date.

<u>Swaps</u>. A swap contract is an agreement between two parties pursuant to which the parties exchange payments at specified dates on the basis of a specified notional amount, with the payments calculated by reference to specified securities, indexes, reference rates, currencies or other instruments. Most swap agreements provide that when the period payment dates for both parties are the same, the payments are made on a net basis (i.e., the two payment streams are netted out, with only the net amount paid by one party to the other). Each Fund s obligations or rights under a swap contract entered into on a net basis will generally be equal only to the net amount to be paid or received under the agreement, based on the relative values of the positions held by each counterparty.

*Inverse Floating Rate Obligations*. The Funds may invest in inverse floating rate obligations. Inverse floating rate obligations are variable debt instruments that pay interest at rates that move in the opposite direction of prevailing interest rates. Because the interest rate paid to holders of such obligations is generally determined by subtracting a variable or floating rate from a predetermined amount, the interest rate paid to holders of such obligations of such obligations will decrease as such variable or floating rate increases and increase as such variable or floating rate decreases. The inverse floating rate obligations in which each Fund may invest include derivative instruments such as residual interest bonds (RIBs) or tender option bonds (TOBs). Such instruments are typically created by a special purpose trust that holds long-term fixed rate bonds and sells two classes of beneficial interests: short-term floating rate interests, which are sold to third party investors, and inverse floating residual interests, which are purchased by each Fund. The short-term floating rate interests have first priority on the cash flow from the bond held by the special purpose trust and each

Fund (as holder of the inverse floating residual interests) is paid the residual cash flow from the bond held by the special purpose trust.

*When-Issued and Delayed Delivery Transactions.* Each Fund may purchase and sell securities on a when-issued and delayed delivery basis, which means that each Fund buys or sells a security with payment and delivery taking place in the future. The payment obligation and the interest rate are fixed at the time each Fund enters into the commitment. No income accrues on such securities until the date each Fund actually takes delivery of the securities.

*Preferred Shares*. Each Fund uses leverage in the form of Preferred Shares. Dividends on the Preferred Shares will typically be comparable to the yields on investment grade short-term municipal securities, although the assets attributable to the Preferred Shares will generally be invested in longer-term municipal securities, which typically have higher yields than short-term municipal securities. Assuming such a yield differential, this leveraged capital structure enables each Fund to pay a potentially higher yield on the Common Shares than similar investment companies that do not use leverage.

Each Fund will generally maintain an asset coverage of the value of each Fund s total assets, less all liabilities and indebtedness of each Fund not represented by the Preferred Shares, of 200% of the aggregate liquidation value of the Preferred Shares. The liquidation value of the Preferred Shares is their aggregate original purchase price, plus any accrued and unpaid dividends.

*Portfolio Turnover*. Each Fund generally will not engage in the trading of securities for the purpose of realizing short-term profits, but it will adjust its portfolio as it deems advisable in view of prevailing or anticipated market conditions to accomplish the Fund s investment objective. For example, each Fund may sell portfolio securities in anticipation of a movement in interest rates. Other than for tax purposes, frequency of portfolio turnover will not be a limiting factor if a Fund considers it advantageous to purchase or sell securities. Each Fund does not anticipate that its annual portfolio turnover rate will be in excess of 100%. A high rate of portfolio turnover involves correspondingly greater brokerage commission and transaction expenses than a lower rate, which expenses must be borne by the Funds and their shareholders. High portfolio turnover may also result in the realization of substantial net short-term capital gains, and any distributions resulting from such gains will be taxable at ordinary income rates for federal income tax purposes.

*Zero Coupon / PIK Bonds*. Each Fund may invest in securities not producing immediate cash income, including zero coupon securities or pay-in-kind (PIK) securities, when their effective yield over comparable instruments producing cash income makes these investments attractive. PIK securities are debt securities that pay interest through the issuance of additional securities. Zero coupon securities are debt securities that do not entitle the holder to any periodic payment of interest prior to maturity or a specified date when the securities begin paying current interest. They are issued and traded at a discount from their face amounts or par value, which discount varies depending on the time remaining until cash payments begin, prevailing interest rates, liquidity of the security and the perceived credit quality of the issuer. The securities do not entitle the holder to any periodic payments of interest prior to maturity, which prevents any reinvestment of interest payments at prevailing interest rates if prevailing interest rates rates. On the other hand, because there are no periodic interest payments to be reinvested prior to maturity, zero coupon securities eliminate the reinvestment risk and may lock in a favorable rate of return to maturity if interest rates drop. In addition, each Fund would be required to distribute the income on these instruments as it accrues, even though the Funds will not receive all of the income on a current basis or in cash. Thus, each Fund may have to sell other investments, including when it may not be advisable to do so, to make income distributions to the Common Shareholders.

More information on these and other investment strategies of the Funds is available in the SAI. **Principal Risks of an Investment in the Funds** 

A comparison of the principal risks associated with the Funds investment strategies is included above under How do the Funds principal risks compare? The following table provides further information on the principal risks of an investment in the Funds.

#### **Principal Risk**

*Municipal Securities Risk.* Under normal market conditions, longer-term municipal securities generally provide a higher yield than shorter-term municipal securities. The Fund has no limitation as to the maturity of municipal securities in which it may invest.

**Funds Subject to Risk** All Funds The Adviser may adjust the average maturity of the Fund s portfolio from time to time depending on its assessment of the relative yields available on securities of different maturities and its expectations of future changes in interest rates. The yields of municipal

securities may move differently and adversely compared to the yields of the overall debt securities markets. Certain kinds of municipal securities are subject to specific risks that could cause a decline in the value of those securities:

<u>Lease Obligations</u>. Certain lease obligations contain non-appropriation clauses that provide that the governmental issuer has no obligation to make future payments under the lease or contract unless money is appropriated for that purpose by the appropriate legislative body on an annual or other periodic basis. Consequently, continued lease payments on those lease obligations containing non-appropriation clauses are dependent on future legislative actions. If these legislative actions do not occur, the holders of the lease obligation may experience difficulty in exercising their rights, including disposition of the property.

<u>Private Activity Bonds</u>. The issuers of private activity bonds in which the Fund may invest may be negatively impacted by conditions affecting either the general credit of the user of the private activity project or the project itself. Conditions such as regulatory and environmental restrictions and economic downturns may lower the need for these facilities and the ability of users of the project to pay for the facilities. Private activity bonds may also pay interest subject to the alternative minimum tax.

In 2011, S&P lowered its long-term sovereign credit rating on the U.S. to AA+ from AAA with a negative outlook. Following S&P s downgrade of the long-term sovereign credit rating on the U.S., the major rating agencies have also placed many municipalities on review for potential downgrades, which could impact the market price, liquidity and volatility of the municipal securities held by the Fund in its portfolio. If the universe of municipal securities meeting the Fund s ratings and credit quality requirements shrinks, it may be more difficult for the Fund to meet its investment objectives and the Fund s investments may become more concentrated in fewer issues. Future downgrades by other rating agencies could have significant adverse effects on the economy generally and could result in significant adverse impacts on municipal issuers and the Fund.

Many state and municipal governments that issue securities are under significant economic and financial stress and may not be able to satisfy their obligations. In response to the national economic downturn, governmental cost burdens have been and may continue to be reallocated among federal, state and local governments. The ability of municipal issuers to make timely payments of interest and principal may be diminished during general economic downturns and as governmental cost burdens are reallocated among federal, state and local governments. Also, as a result of the downturn and related unemployment, declining income and loss of property values, many state and local governments have experienced significant reductions in revenues and consequently difficulties meeting ongoing expenses. As a result, certain of these state and local governments may have difficulty paying or default in the payment of principal or interest on their outstanding debt, may experience ratings downgrades of their debt. The taxing power of any governmental entity may be limited by provisions of state constitutions or laws and an entity s credit will depend on many factors, including the entity s tax base, the extent to which the entity relies on federal or state aid, and other factors which are beyond the entity s control. In addition, laws enacted in the future by Congress or state legislatures

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or referenda could extend the time for payment of principal and/or interest, or impose other constraints on enforcement of such obligations or on the ability of municipalities to levy taxes.

In addition, municipalities might seek protection under the bankruptcy laws, thereby affecting the repayment of their outstanding debt. Issuers of municipal securities might seek protection under the bankruptcy laws. In the event of bankruptcy of such an issuer, holders of municipal securities could experience delays in collecting principal and interest and such holders may not be able to collect all principal and interest to which they are entitled. Certain provisions of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code governing such bankruptcies are unclear. Further, the application of state law to municipal securities issuers could produce varying results among the states or among municipal securities issuers within a state. These uncertainties could have a significant impact on the prices of the municipal securities in which the Fund invests. The value of municipal securities generally may be affected by

uncertainties in the municipal markets as a result of legislation or litigation, including legislation or litigation that changes the taxation of municipal securities or the rights of municipal securities holders in the event of a bankruptcy. To enforce its rights in the event of a default in the payment of interest or repayment of principal, or both, the Fund may take possession of and manage the assets securing the issuer s obligations on such securities, which may increase the Fund s operating expenses. Any income derived from the Fund s ownership or operation of such assets may not be tax-exempt and could jeopardize the Fund s status as a regulated investment company under the Internal Revenue Code.

The U.S. economy may be in the process of deleveraging, with individuals, companies and municipalities reducing expenditures and paying down borrowings. In such event, the number of municipal borrowers and the amount of outstanding municipal securities may contract, potentially without corresponding reductions in investor demand for municipal securities. As a result, the Fund may have fewer investment alternatives, may invest in securities that it previously would have declined and may concentrate its investments in a smaller number of issuers.

<u>Insurance Risk</u>. Financial insurance guarantees that interest payments on a bond will be made on time and that principal will be repaid when the bond matures. Insured municipal obligations would generally be assigned a lower rating if the rating were based primarily on the credit quality of the issuer without regard to the insurance feature. If the claims-paying ability of the insurer were downgraded, the ratings on the municipal obligations it insures may also be downgraded. Insurance does not protect the Fund against losses caused by declines in a bond s value due to a change in market conditions.

*Market Risk.* Market risk is the possibility that the market values of securities owned by the Fund will decline. The net asset value of the Fund will change with changes in the value of its portfolio securities, and the value of the Fund s investments can be expected to fluctuate over time. The financial markets in general are subject to volatility and may at times experience extreme volatility and uncertainty, which may affect all investment securities, including debt securities and derivative instruments. Volatility may be greater during periods of general economic uncertainty.

*Interest Rate Risk.* Because the Fund invests primarily in fixed income municipal All Funds securities, the net asset value of the Fund can be expected to change as general levels of interest rates fluctuate. When interest rates decline, the value of a portfolio invested in fixed income securities generally can be expected to rise. Conversely, when interest rates rise, the value of a portfolio invested in fixed income securities generally can be expected to decline. The prices of longer term municipal securities generally are more volatile with respect to changes in interest rates than the prices of shorter term municipal securities. These risks may be greater in the current market environment because certain interest rates are near historically low levels.

*Credit Risk*. Credit risk refers to an issuer s ability to make timely payments of interest and All Funds principal when due. Municipal securities, like other debt obligations, are subject to the credit risk of nonpayment. The ability of issuers of municipal securities to make timely

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payments of interest and principal may be adversely affected by general economic downturns and as relative governmental cost burdens are allocated and reallocated among federal, state and local governmental units. Private activity bonds used to finance projects, such as industrial development and pollution control, may also be negatively impacted by the general credit of the user of the project. Nonpayment would result in a reduction of income to the Fund, and a potential decrease in the net asset value of the Fund. The Adviser continuously monitors the issuers of securities held in the Fund.

The Fund will rely on the Adviser s judgment, analysis and experience in evaluating the creditworthiness of an issuer. In its analysis, the Adviser may consider the credit ratings of NRSROs in evaluating securities, although the Adviser does not rely primarily on these ratings. Credit ratings of NRSROs evaluate only the safety of principal and interest payments, not the market risk. In addition, ratings are general and not absolute standards of quality, and the creditworthiness of an issuer may decline significantly before an NRSRO

<b>Principal Risk</b> lowers the issuer s rating. A rating downgrade does not require the Fund to dispose of a security.	Funds Subject to Risk
Medium-grade obligations (for example, bonds rated BBB by S&P) possess speculative characteristics so that changes in economic conditions or other circumstances are more likely to lead to a weakened capacity of the issuer to make principal and interest payments than in the case of higher-rated securities. Securities rated below investment grade are considered speculative by NRSROs with respect to the issuer s continuing ability to pay interest and principal.	
<i>Income Risk.</i> The income you receive from the Fund is based primarily on prevailing interest rates, which can vary widely over the short and long term. If interest rates decrease, your income from the Fund may decrease as well.	All Funds
<i>Call Risk.</i> If interest rates fall, it is possible that issuers of securities with high interest rates will prepay or call their securities before their maturity dates. In this event, the proceeds from the called securities would likely be reinvested by the Fund in securities bearing the new, lower interest rates, resulting in a possible decline in the Fund s income and distributions to shareholders.	All Funds
<i>Market Segment/Sector Risk.</i> The Fund generally considers investments in municipal securities issued by governments or political subdivisions not to be subject to industry concentration policies (because such issuers are not in any industry). The Fund may, however, invest in municipal securities issued by entities having similar characteristics. For example, the issuers may be located in the same geographic area or may pay their interest obligations from revenue of similar projects, such as hospitals, airports, utility systems and housing finance agencies. This may make the Fund s investments more susceptible to similar economic, political or regulatory occurrences, which could increase the volatility of the Fund s net asset value. The Acquiring Fund, VKL and VIM may invest more than 25% of their total assets in a segment of the municipal securities market with similar characteristics if the Adviser determines that the yields available from obligations in a particular segment justify the additional risks of a larger investment in that segment.	All Funds
PIA may invest 25% or more of its assets in any of the following types of Municipal Obligations, provided that the percentage of PIA s total assets in private activity bonds in any one category does not exceed 25% of PIA s total assets: health facility obligations, housing obligations, single family mortgage revenue bonds, industrial revenue obligations (including pollution control obligations), electric utility obligations, airport facility revenue obligations, water and sewer obligations, university and college revenue obligations, bridge authority and toll road obligations and resource recovery obligations.	
Each Fund may not, however, invest more than 25% of its total assets in municipal securities, such as many private activity bonds or industrial development revenue bonds, issued for non-governmental entities that are in the same industry.	

Under current market conditions, the Adviser expects to allocate VKL s investments in municipal securities primarily among the transportation, local and state general obligation,

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health care and utilities related sectors of the municipal securities market. The Adviser may from time to time adjust the proportion of VKL s assets allocated among these and other sectors of the municipal securities market. To the extent VKL s portfolio is allocated to a particular sector or sectors of the municipal securities market, negative market, economic, business, political, regulatory or other developments generally affecting issuers in those sectors of the municipal securities market will have a greater impact on the Fund than an investment company that is more widely diversified and that is not over-weighted in those sectors.

The Fund has no policy limiting its investments in municipal securities whose issuers are located in the same state. If the Fund were to invest a significant portion of its total assets in issuers located in the same state, it would be more susceptible to adverse economic, business or regulatory conditions in that state.

Tax Risk. To qualify for the favorable U.S. federal income tax treatment generally			
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accorded to regulated investment companies, among other things, the Fund must derive in each taxable year at least 90% of its gross income from certain prescribed sources. If for any taxable year the Fund does not qualify as a regulated investment company, all of its taxable income (including its net capital gain) would be subject to federal income tax at regular corporate rates without any deduction for distributions to shareholders, and all distributions from the Fund (including underlying distributions attributable to tax-exempt interest income) would be taxable to shareholders as ordinary dividends to the extent of the Fund s current and accumulated earnings and profits.

The value of the Fund s investments and its net asset value may be adversely affected by changes in tax rates and policies. Because interest income from municipal securities is normally not subject to regular federal income taxation, the attractiveness of municipal securities in relation to other investment alternatives is affected by changes in federal income tax rates or changes in the tax-exempt status of interest income from municipal securities. Any proposed or actual changes in such rates or exempt status, therefore, can significantly affect the demand for and supply, liquidity and marketability of municipal securities. This could, in turn, affect the Fund s net asset value and ability to acquire and dispose of municipal securities at desirable yield and price levels. Additionally, the Fund may not be a suitable investment for individual retirement accounts, for other tax-exempt or tax-deferred accounts or for investors who are not sensitive to the federal income tax consequences of their investments.

VKL, VIM and the Acquiring Fund may invest all or a substantial portion of their total assets in municipal securities subject to the federal alternative minimum tax. PIA may invest without limit in certain Municipal Obligations subject to the alternative minimum tax. Accordingly, an investment in the Funds could cause shareholders to be subject to (or result in an increased liability under) the federal alternative minimum tax. As a result, the Funds may not be a suitable investment for investors who are already subject to the federal alternative minimum tax as a result of an investment in a Fund.

Subsequent to the Fund s acquisition of a municipal security, the security may be determined to pay, or to have paid, taxable income. As a result, the treatment of dividends previously paid or to be paid by the Fund as exempt-interest dividends could be adversely affected, subjecting the Fund s shareholders to increased federal income tax liabilities.

For federal income tax purposes, distributions of ordinary taxable income (including any net short-term capital gain) will be taxable to shareholders as ordinary income (and not eligible for favorable taxation as qualified dividend income ), and capital gain dividends will be taxed at long-term capital gain rates. In certain circumstances, the Fund will make payments to holders of Preferred Shares to offset the tax effects of a taxable distribution.

Generally, to the extent a Fund s distributions are derived from interest on municipal securities of a particular state (and, in some cases qualifying obligations of U.S. territories and possessions), its distributions are exempt from the personal income tax of that state. In some cases, the Fund s shares may (to the extent applicable) also be exempt from personal property taxes of such state. However, some states require that the Fund meet certain

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thresholds with respect to the portion of its portfolio consisting of municipal securities of such state in order for such exemption to apply.

*Risks of Using Derivative Instruments*. A derivative instrument often has risks similar to its underlying instrument and may have additional risks, including imperfect correlation between the value of the derivative and the underlying instrument or instrument being hedged, risks of default by the other party to certain transactions, magnification of losses incurred due to changes in the market value of the securities, instruments, indices or interest rates to which they relate, and risks that the derivatives may not be liquid. The use of derivatives involves risks that are different from, and potentially greater than, the risks associated with other portfolio investments. Derivatives may involve the use of highly specialized instruments that require investment techniques and risk analyses different from

those associated with other portfolio investments. Certain derivative transactions may give rise to a form of leverage. Leverage associated with derivative transactions may cause the Fund to liquidate portfolio positions when it may not be advantageous to do so to satisfy its obligations or to meet earmarking or segregation requirements, pursuant to applicable SEC rules and regulations, or may cause the Fund to be more volatile than if the Fund had not been leveraged. The Fund could suffer losses related to its derivative positions as a result of unanticipated market movements, which losses may potentially be unlimited. Although the Adviser may seek to use derivatives to further the Fund s investment objective, the Fund is not required to use derivatives and may choose not to do so and there is no assurance that the use of derivatives will achieve this result.

<u>Counterparty Risk</u>. The Fund will be subject to credit risk with respect to the counterparties to the derivative transactions entered into by the Fund. If a counterparty becomes bankrupt or otherwise fails to perform its obligations under a derivative contract due to financial difficulties, the Fund may experience significant delays in obtaining any recovery under the derivative contract in bankruptcy or other reorganization proceeding. The Fund may obtain only a limited recovery or may obtain no recovery in such circumstances.

<u>Futures Risk</u>. A decision as to whether, when and how to use futures involves the exercise of skill and judgment and even a well-conceived futures transaction may be unsuccessful because of market behavior or unexpected events. In addition to the derivatives risks discussed above, the prices of futures can be highly volatile, using futures can lower total return, and the potential loss from futures can exceed the Fund s initial investment in such contracts.

<u>Swaps Risk</u>. Swap agreements are not entered into or traded on exchanges and there is no central clearing or guaranty function for swaps. Therefore, swaps are subject to credit risk or the risk of default or non-performance by the counterparty. Swaps could result in losses if interest rate or credit quality changes are not correctly anticipated by the Fund or if the reference index, security or investments do not perform as expected.

<u>Tax Risk</u>. The use of derivatives may generate taxable income. In addition, the Fund s use of derivatives may be limited by the requirements for taxation as a regulated investment company or the Fund s intention to pay dividends that are exempt from federal income taxes. The tax treatment of derivatives may be adversely affected by changes in legislation, regulations or other legal authority, subjecting the Fund s shareholders to increased federal income tax liabilities.

<u>Inverse Floating Rate Obligations Risk</u>. Like most other fixed-income securities, the value of inverse floating rate obligations will decrease as interest rates increase. They are more volatile, however, than most other fixed-income securities because the coupon rate on an inverse floating rate obligation typically changes at a multiple of the change in the relevant index rate. Thus, any rise in the index rate (as a consequence of an increase in interest rates) causes a correspondingly greater drop in the coupon rate of an inverse floating rate obligation while a drop in the index rate causes a correspondingly greater increase in the coupon of an inverse floating rate obligation. Some inverse floating rate obligations may

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also increase or decrease substantially because of changes in the rate of prepayments. Inverse floating rate obligations tend to underperform the market for fixed rate bonds in a rising interest rate environment, but tend to outperform the market for fixed rate bonds when interest rates decline or remain relatively stable. Inverse floating rate obligations have varying degrees of liquidity.

The Fund generally invests in inverse floating rate obligations that include embedded leverage, thus exposing the Fund to greater risks and increased costs. The market value of a leveraged inverse floating rate obligation generally will fluctuate in response to changes in market rates of interest to a greater extent than the value of an unleveraged investment. The extent of increases and decreases in the value of inverse floating rate obligations generally will be larger than changes in an equal principal amount of a fixed rate security having similar credit quality, redemption provisions and maturity, which may cause the

Fund s net asset value to be more volatile than if it had not invested in inverse floating rate obligations.

In certain instances, the short-term floating rate interests created by a special purpose trust may not be able to be sold to third parties or, in the case of holders tendering (or putting) such interests for repayment of principal, may not be able to be remarketed to third parties. In such cases, the special purpose trust holding the long-term fixed rate bonds may be collapsed. In the case of inverse floating rate obligations created by the Fund, the Fund would then be required to repay the principal amount of the tendered securities. During times of market volatility, illiquidity or uncertainty, the Fund could be required to sell other portfolio holdings at a disadvantageous time to raise cash to meet that obligation.

The use of short-term floating rate obligations may require the Fund to segregate or earmark cash or liquid assets to cover its obligations. Securities so segregated or earmarked will be unavailable for sale by the Fund (unless replaced by other securities qualifying for segregation requirements), which may limit the Fund s flexibility and may require that the Fund sell other portfolio investments at a time when it may be disadvantageous to sell such assets.

*Risks of Investing in Lower-Grade Securities*. Securities that are in the lower-grade categories generally offer higher yields than are offered by higher-grade securities of similar maturities, but they also generally involve greater risks, such as greater credit risk, market risk, volatility and liquidity risk. In addition, the amount of available information about the financial condition of certain lower-grade issuers may be less extensive than other issuers, making the Fund more dependent on the Adviser s credit analysis than a fund investing only in higher-grade securities. To minimize the risks involved in investing in lower-grade securities, the Funds do not purchase securities that are in default or rated in categories lower than B- by S&P or B3 by Moody s or unrated securities of comparable quality.

Secondary market prices of lower-grade securities generally are less sensitive than higher-grade securities to changes in interest rates and are more sensitive to general adverse economic changes or specific developments with respect to the particular issuers. A significant increase in interest rates or a general economic downturn may significantly affect the ability of municipal issuers of lower-grade securities to pay interest and to repay principal, or to obtain additional financing, any of which could severely disrupt the market for lower-grade municipal securities and adversely affect the market value of such securities. Such events also could lead to a higher incidence of default by issuers of lower-grade securities. In addition, changes in credit risks, interest rates, the credit markets or periods of general economic uncertainty can be expected to result in increased volatility in the price of the lower-grade securities and the net asset value of the Fund. Adverse publicity and investor perceptions, whether or not based on rational analysis, may affect the value, volatility and liquidity of lower-grade securities.

In the event that an issuer of securities held by the Fund experiences difficulties in the timely payment of principal and interest and such issuer seeks to restructure the terms of its borrowings, the Fund may incur additional expenses and may determine to invest

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additional assets with respect to such issuer or the project or projects to which the Fund s securities relate. Further, the Fund may incur additional expenses to the extent that it is required to seek recovery upon a default in the payment of interest or the repayment of principal on its portfolio holdings and the Fund may be unable to obtain full recovery on such amounts.

Investments in debt obligations that are at risk of or in default present special tax issues for the Fund. Federal income tax rules are not entirely clear about issues such as when the Fund may cease to accrue interest, original issue discount or market discount, when and to what extent deductions may be taken for bad debts or worthless securities, how payments received on obligations in default should be allocated between principal and interest and whether certain exchanges of debt obligations in a workout context are taxable. These and other issues will be addressed by the Fund, in the event it invests in or holds such securities,

in order to seek to ensure that it distributes sufficient income to preserve its status as a regulated investment company.

*Liquidity Risk.* Liquidity relates to the ability of a fund to sell a security in a timely manner at a price which reflects the value of that security. The amount of available information about the financial condition of municipal securities issuers is generally less extensive than that for corporate issuers with publicly traded securities, and the market for municipal securities is generally considered to be less liquid than the market for corporate debt obligations. Certain municipal securities in which the Fund may invest, such as special obligation bonds, lease obligations, participation certificates and variable rate instruments, may be particularly less liquid. To the extent the Fund owns or may acquire illiquid or restricted securities, these securities may involve special registration requirements, liabilities and costs, and liquidity and valuation difficulties.

The effects of adverse publicity and investor perceptions may be more pronounced for securities for which no established retail market exists as compared with the effects on securities for which such a market does exist. An economic downturn or an increase in interest rates could severely disrupt the market for such securities and adversely affect the value of outstanding securities or the ability of the issuers to repay principal and interest. Further, the Fund may have more difficulty selling such securities in a timely manner and at their stated value than would be the case for securities for which an established retail market does exist.

The markets for lower-grade securities may be less liquid than the markets for higher-grade securities. To the extent that there is no established retail market for some of the lower-grade securities in which the Fund may invest, trading in such securities may be relatively inactive. Prices of lower-grade securities may decline rapidly in the event a significant number of holders decide to sell. Changes in expectations regarding an individual issuer of lower-grade securities generally could reduce market liquidity for such securities and make their sale by the Fund at their current valuation more difficult.

From time to time, the Fund s investments may include securities as to which the Fund, by itself or together with other funds or accounts managed by the Adviser, holds a major portion or all of an issue of municipal securities. Because there may be relatively few potential purchasers for such investments and, in some cases, there may be contractual restrictions on resales, the Fund may find it more difficult to sell such securities at a time when the Adviser believes it is advisable to do so.

*Preferred Shares Risk.* The Fund s use of leverage through Preferred Shares may result in higher volatility of the net asset value of the Common Shares, and fluctuations in the dividend rates on the Preferred Shares (which are expected to reflect yields on short-term municipal securities) may affect the yield to the Common Shareholders. So long as the Fund is able to realize a higher net return on its investment portfolio than the then current dividend rate of the Preferred Shares, the effect of the leverage provided by the Preferred Shares will be to cause the Common Shareholders to realize a higher current rate of return than if the Fund were not so leveraged. On the other hand, to the extent that the then current dividend rate on the Preferred Shares approaches the net return on the Fund s

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investment portfolio, the benefit of leverage to the Common Shareholders will be reduced, and if the then current dividend rate on the Preferred Shares were to exceed the net return on the Fund s portfolio, the Fund s leveraged capital structure would result in a lower rate of return to the Common Shareholders than if the Fund were not so structured.

Similarly, because any decline in the net asset value of the Fund s investments will be borne entirely by the Common Shareholders, the effect of leverage in a declining market would result in a greater decrease in net asset value to the Common Shareholders than if the Fund were not so leveraged. Any such decrease would likely be reflected in a decline in the market price for Common Shares. If the Fund s current investment income were not sufficient to meet dividend requirements on the Preferred Shares, the Fund might have to liquidate certain of its investments in order to meet required dividend payments, thereby

reducing the net asset value attributable to the Fund s Common Shares.

The amount of Preferred Shares outstanding from time to time may vary, depending on the Adviser s analysis of conditions in the municipal securities market and interest rate movements. Management of the amount of outstanding Preferred Shares places greater reliance on the ability of the Adviser to predict trends in interest rates than if the Fund did not use leverage. In the event the Adviser later determines that all or a portion of such Preferred Shares should be reissued so as to increase the amount of leverage, no assurance can be given that the Fund will subsequently be able to reissue Preferred Shares on terms and/or with dividend rates that are beneficial to the Common Shareholders. Further, redemption and reissuance of the Preferred Shares, and any related trading of the Fund s portfolio securities, results in increased transaction costs to the Fund and its Common Shareholders. Because the Common Shareholders bear these expenses, changes to the Fund s outstanding leverage and any losses resulting from related portfolio trading will have a proportionately larger impact on the Common Shares net asset value and market price.

In addition, the Fund is not permitted to declare any cash dividend or other distribution on its Common Shares unless, at the time of such declaration, the Fund has an asset coverage of at least 200% (determined after deducting the amount of such dividend or distribution). This prohibition on the payment of dividends or other distributions might impair the ability of the Fund to maintain its qualification as a regulated investment company for federal income tax purposes. The Fund intends, however, to the extent possible, to purchase or redeem Preferred Shares from time to time to maintain an asset coverage of the Preferred Shares of at least 200%.

If a determination were made by the IRS to treat the Preferred Shares as debt rather than equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the Common Shareholders might be subject to increased federal income tax liabilities.

*Unrated Securities Risk.* Many lower-grade securities are not listed for trading on any national securities exchange, and many issuers of lower-grade securities choose not to have a rating assigned to their obligations by any NRSRO. As a result, the Fund s portfolio may consist of a higher portion of unlisted or unrated securities as compared with an investment company that invests solely in higher-grade, listed securities. Unrated securities are usually not as attractive to as many buyers as are rated securities, a factor which may make unrated securities less marketable. These factors may limit the ability of the Fund to sell such securities at their fair value. The Fund may be more reliant on the Adviser s judgment and analysis in evaluating the creditworthiness of an issuer of unrated securities.

*When-Issued and Delayed Delivery Risks.* When-issued and delayed delivery transactions All Funds are subject to market risk as the value or yield of a security at delivery may be more or less than the purchase price or the yield generally available on securities when delivery occurs. In addition, the Fund is subject to counterparty risk because it relies on the buyer or seller, as the case may be, to consummate the transaction, and failure by the other party to complete the transaction may result in the Fund missing the opportunity of obtaining a

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price or yield considered to be advantageous.

Zero Coupon / PIK Bond Risk. Prices on non-cash-paying instruments may be more	All Funds
sensitive to changes in the issuer s financial condition, fluctuations in interest rates and	
market demand/supply imbalances than cash-paying securities with similar credit ratings,	
and thus may be more speculative than are securities that pay interest periodically in cash.	
These securities may subject the Fund to greater market risk than a fund that does not own	
these types of securities. Special tax considerations are associated with investing in	
non-cash-paying instruments, such as zero coupon or PIK securities. The Adviser will	
weigh these concerns against the expected total returns from such instruments.	
Additional information on these and other risks is available in the SAI.	

### **Portfolio Managers**

Thomas Byron, Robert Stryker and Robert Wimmel are the portfolio managers for the Funds.

Mr. Byron joined Invesco in 2010. Mr. Byron was associated with the Funds previous investment adviser or its investment advisory affiliates in an investment management capacity from 1981 to 2010 and began managing the Funds in 2009. Mr. Byron earned a B.S. in finance from Marquette University and an M.B.A. in finance from DePaul University.

Mr. Stryker, Chartered Financial Analyst, joined Invesco in 2010. Mr. Stryker was associated with the Funds previous investment adviser or its investment advisory affiliates in an investment management capacity from 1994 to 2010 and began managing the Funds in 2009. Mr. Stryker earned a B.S. in finance from the University of Illinois, Chicago.

Mr. Wimmel joined Invesco in 2010. Mr. Wimmel was associated with the Funds previous investment adviser or its investment advisory affiliates in an investment management capacity from 1996 to 2010 and began managing VIM, VKL and the Acquiring Fund in 2001 and PIA in 2009. Mr. Wimmel earned a B.A. in anthropology from the University of Cincinnati and an M.A. in economics from the University of Illinois, Chicago.

The SAI provides additional information about the portfolio managers compensation, other accounts managed by the portfolio managers, and the portfolio managers ownership of securities in each Fund.

# **Trading of Common Shares**

Each Fund s Common Shares trade on the Exchanges. Generally, an investor purchasing a Fund s Common Shares enters into a purchase transaction on an Exchange through a broker-dealer and, thus, indirectly purchases the Common Shares from a selling Fund shareholder. A shareholder who sells a Fund s Common Shares generally sells them on an Exchange through a broker-dealer, and indirectly to another investor. Unlike a mutual fund (also called an open-end fund), holders of Common Shares of a Fund generally do not purchase and sell such Common Shares from and to the Fund, either directly or through an intermediary such as a broker-dealer. No brokerage charges will be imposed on any Fund s shareholders in connection with the Mergers.

### **Capital Structures of the Funds**

Each Fund is currently organized as a Massachusetts business trust. The Acquiring Fund was organized on June 28, 1993, PIA was organized on November 15, 1988, VKL was organized on September 9, 1993, and VIM was organized on November 13, 1991. As discussed under Proposal 1, before the closing of the Mergers, the Funds will be reorganized as Delaware statutory trusts, which will all have identical governing documents and capital structures. (Proposal 1 discusses the material differences between each Fund s current Massachusetts business trust structure and its proposed Delaware statutory trust structure.) The Funds governing documents will therefore be identical immediately prior to the Mergers. Because each such Delaware statutory trust will have the same structure, each Fund s capital structure will not be affected by the Merger except that after the Merger each Fund s shareholders will hold shares of a single, larger fund.

#### **Description of Securities to be Issued**

Before any Merger can be completed, the Funds must have completed a redomestication to a Delaware statutory trust, as discussed in Proposal 1. Accordingly, the following discussion reflects that each Fund would be a Delaware statutory trust as of the time of its Merger. A discussion of the changes a Fund would undergo as part of a Redomestication is included under Proposal 1.

Each Common Share represents an equal proportionate interest with each other Common Share of the Fund, with each such share entitled to equal dividend, liquidation, redemption and voting rights. Each Fund also has outstanding Preferred Shares that vote separately from Common Shares in some circumstances. Each Fund s Common Shares have no preemptive, conversion or exchange rights, nor any right to cumulative voting.

As of the closing of a Merger, the Acquiring Fund will be authorized by its Amended and Restated Agreement and Declaration of Trust to issue an unlimited number of Acquiring Fund Common Shares, with no par value, and an unlimited number of Acquiring Fund Preferred Shares, with no par value.

*Dividends and Distributions*. The dividend and distribution policies of each Target Fund are identical to those of the Acquiring Fund. The Acquiring Fund intends to make regular monthly distributions of all or a portion of its net investment income after payment of dividends on the Acquiring Fund s Preferred Shares outstanding to holders of the Acquiring Fund s Common Shares. The Acquiring Fund s net investment income consists of all interest income accrued on portfolio assets less all expenses of the Acquiring Fund. The Acquiring Fund is required to allocate net capital gains and other taxable income, if any, received by the Acquiring Fund among its shareholders on a pro rata basis in the year for which such capital gains and other income is realized. In certain circumstances, the Acquiring Fund will make additional payments to Preferred Shareholders to offset the tax effects of such taxable distributions.

While there are any Preferred Shares of the Acquiring Fund outstanding, the Acquiring Fund may not declare any cash dividend or other distribution on its Common Shares, unless at the time of such declaration, (i) all accrued Preferred Shares dividends have been paid, (ii) to the extent necessary, the Fund has redeemed all of the Preferred Shares subject to mandatory redemption under the terms of the Preferred Shares, and (iii) the value of the Acquiring Fund s total assets (determined after deducting the amount of such dividend or other distribution), less all liabilities and indebtedness of the Fund, is at least 200% (as required by the 1940 Act) of the liquidation preference of the outstanding Preferred Shares (expected to equal the aggregate original purchase price of the outstanding Preferred Shares plus any accrued and unpaid dividends thereon, whether or not earned or declared on a cumulative basis). In addition to the requirements of the 1940 Act, the Acquiring Fund may be required to comply with other asset coverage requirements as a condition of the Acquiring Fund obtaining a rating of its Preferred Shares from an NRSRO. These requirements may include an asset coverage test more stringent than that under the 1940 Act. This limitation on the Acquiring Fund s ability to make distributions on its Common Shares could in certain circumstances impair the ability of the Acquiring Fund to maintain its qualification for taxation as a regulated investment company under the Code. The Acquiring Fund intends, however, to the extent possible, to purchase or redeem Preferred Shares from time to time to maintain compliance with such asset coverage requirements and may pay special dividends to the holders of the Preferred Shares in certain circumstances in connection with any such impairment of the Acquiring Fund s status as a regulated investment company under the Code.

The tax treatment and characterization of the Acquiring Fund s distributions may vary significantly from time to time because of the varied nature of its investments. The Acquiring Fund will indicate the proportion of its capital gains distributions that constitute long-term and short-term gains annually. The ultimate tax characterization of the Acquiring Fund s distributions made in a calendar or fiscal year cannot finally be determined until after the end of that fiscal year. As a result, there is a possibility that the Acquiring Fund may make total distributions during a calendar or fiscal year in an amount that exceeds the Acquiring Fund s net investment income and net capital gains for the relevant fiscal year and its previously undistributed earnings and profits from prior years. In such situations, the amount by which the Acquiring Fund s total distributions exceed its net investment income and net capital gains generally will be treated as a tax-free return of capital reducing the amount of a shareholder s tax basis in such shareholder s shares, with any amounts exceeding such basis treated as gain from the sale of shares.

Various factors will affect the level of the Acquiring Fund s net investment income, such as the rate at which dividends are payable on outstanding Preferred Shares, the Acquiring Fund s asset mix, its level of retained earnings, the amount of leverage utilized by it and the effects thereof and the movement of interest rates for municipal bonds. These factors, among others, may result in the Acquiring Fund s level of net investment income being different from the level of net investment income for a Target Fund if the Mergers were not completed. To permit the Acquiring Fund to maintain more stable monthly distributions, it may from time to time distribute less than the entire amount earned in a particular period. The income would be available to supplement future distributions. As a result, the distributions paid by the Acquiring Fund for any particular month may be more or less than the amount actually earned by the Fund during that month. Undistributed earnings will add to the Acquiring Fund s net asset value and, correspondingly, distributions from undistributed earnings and from capital, if any, will deduct from the Fund s net asset value. Although it does not now intend to do so, the Board may change the Acquiring Fund s dividend policy and the amount or timing of the distributions based on a number of factors, including the amount of the Fund s undistributed net investment income and historical and projected investment income and the amount of the expenses and dividend rates on the outstanding Preferred Shares.

Holders of the Acquiring Fund s Common Shares will automatically have all dividends and distributions reinvested in Common Shares issued by the Fund or Common Shares of the Fund purchased in the open market in accordance with the Fund s Automatic Dividend Reinvestment Plan, unless an election is made to receive cash.

For information concerning the manner in which dividends and distributions to holders of a Fund s common shares may be reinvested automatically in such Fund s Common Shares, see Dividend Reinvestment Plan below.

Target Fund Common Shareholders who own certificated shares will not receive their Acquiring Fund Common Shares or any dividend payments from the Acquiring Fund until their certificates are tendered. Target Fund Common Shareholders will, shortly after the closing of their Fund s Merger, receive instructions on how to tender any outstanding share certificates.

*Dividend Reinvestment Plan.* Each Fund offers a substantially identical dividend reinvestment plan for Common Shareholders. Each Fund s dividend reinvestment plan is fully described in the Fund s shareholder reports. Any final distribution preceding a Merger made by a Target Fund or the Acquiring Fund will be made in cash, notwithstanding any shareholder s enrollment in the Fund s dividend reinvestment plan. Each Fund expects to amend its dividend reinvestment plan to provide for distributions to be made in cash in the event of transactions such as a Merger.

*Provisions for Delaying or Preventing Changes in Control.* Each Fund s governing documents contain provisions designed to prevent or delay changes in control of that Fund. Each Fund s Board of Trustees may cause the Fund to merge or consolidate with or into other entities; cause the Fund to sell, convey and transfer all or substantially all of the assets of the Fund; cause the Fund to convert to a different type of entity; or cause the Fund convert from a closed-end fund to an open-end fund, each only so long as such action has previously received the approval of either (i) the Board, followed by the affirmative vote of the holders of not less than 75% of the outstanding shares entitled to vote; or (ii) the affirmative vote of at least two thirds (66 2/3%) of the Board and an affirmative Majority Shareholder Vote (which generally means the vote of a majority of the outstanding voting securities as defined in the 1940 Act of the Fund, with each class and series of shares voting together as a single class, except to the extent otherwise required by the 1940 Act). Under each Fund s governing documents that will be applicable as of the time of the Merger, shareholders will have no right to call special meetings of shareholders or to remove Trustees. In addition, each Fund s Board is divided into three classes, each of which stands for election only once in three years. As a result of this system, only those Trustees in any one class may be changed in any one year, and it would require two years or more to change a majority of the Trustees.

### **Pending Litigation**

On January 17, 2011, a Consolidated Amended Shareholder Derivative Complaint (the Complaint ) entitled Clifford Rotz, et al. v. Van Kampen Asset Management et al., was filed on behalf of Invesco Van Kampen Advantage Municipal Income Trust II (VKI), Invesco Van Kampen High Income Trust II (VLT), the Acquiring Fund (VMO), Invesco Van Kampen Municipal Trust (VKQ) and Invesco Van Kampen Senior Income Trust (VVR) (collectively, the

Trusts ) against Van Kampen Asset Management, Morgan Stanley and certain current and former executive officers of the Trusts (collectively, the Defendants ) alleging that they breached their fiduciary duties to common shareholders by causing the Trusts to redeem Auction Rate Preferred Securities ( ARPS ) at their liquidation value. Specifically, the shareholders claim that the Board and officers had no obligation to provide liquidity to the ARPS shareholders, the redemptions were improperly motivated to benefit the prior adviser by preserving business relationships with the ARPS holders, i.e., institutional investors, and the market value and fair value of the ARPS were less than par at the time they were redeemed. The Complaint alleges that the redemption of the ARPS occurred at the expense of the Trusts and their common shareholders. This Complaint amends and consolidates two separate complaints that were filed by Clifford T. Rotz, Jr., Robert Fast and Gene Turban on July 22, 2010, and by Harry Suleski, Leon McDermott, Marilyn Morrison and John Johnson on August 3, 2010. Each of the Trusts initially received a demand letter from the plaintiffs on April 8, 2010. Plaintiffs seek judgment that: 1) orders Defendants to refrain from redeeming any ARPS at their liquidation value using Trust assets; 2) awards monetary damages against all Defendants, individually, jointly or severally, in favor of the Trusts, for all losses and damages allegedly suffered as a result of the redemptions of ARPS at their liquidation value; 3) grants appropriate equitable relief to remedy the Defendants breaches of fiduciary duties; and 4) awards to Plaintiffs the costs and disbursements of the action. The Board of each of the Trusts formed a Special Litigation Committee ( SLC ) to

investigate these claims and to make a recommendation to the Board regarding whether pursuit of these claims is in the best interests of the Trusts. After reviewing the findings of the SLC, the Board announced on June 24, 2011, that it had adopted the SLC s recommendation to seek dismissal of the action. On October 4, 2011, the Trusts filed a motion to dismiss. This matter is pending.

On January 17, 2011, a Consolidated Amended Shareholder Derivative Complaint entitled Curbow Family, LLC, et al. v. Morgan Stanley Investment Advisors, Inc., was filed on behalf of Invesco Insured Municipal Income Trust (IIM) and Invesco Municipal Premium Income Trust (PIA) (collectively, the Trusts ) against Morgan Stanley Investment Advisors, Inc., Morgan Stanley and certain current and former executive officers of the Trusts (collectively, the Defendants) alleging that they breached their fiduciary duties to common shareholders by causing the Trusts to redeem Auction Rate Preferred Securities ( ARPS ) at their liquidation value. Specifically, the shareholders claim that the board and officers had no obligation to provide liquidity to the ARPS shareholders, the redemptions were improperly motivated to benefit the prior adviser by preserving business relationships with the ARPS holders, i.e., institutional investors, and the market value and fair value of the ARPS were less than par at the time they were redeemed. The Complaint alleges that the redemption of the ARPS occurred at the expense of the Trusts and their common shareholders. This Complaint amends and consolidates two separate complaints that were filed by Curbow Family LLC and Elsie Mae Melms Revocable Living Trust on July 22, 2010 and August 3, 2010, respectively. Each of the Trusts initially received a demand letter from the plaintiffs on April 8, 2010. Plaintiffs seek judgment that: 1) orders Defendants to refrain from redeeming any ARPS at their liquidation value using Trusts assets; 2) awards monetary damages against all Defendants, individually, jointly or severally, in favor of the Trusts. for all losses and damages allegedly suffered as a result of the redemptions of ARPS at their liquidation value; 3) grants appropriate equitable relief to remedy the Defendants breaches of fiduciary duties; and 4) awards to Plaintiffs the costs and disbursements of the action. The Board of each of the Trusts formed a Special Litigation Committee (SLC) to investigate these claims and to make a recommendation to the Board regarding whether pursuit of these claims is in the best interests of the Trusts. After reviewing the findings of the SLC, the Board announced on July 12, 2011, that it had adopted the SLC s recommendation to seek dismissal of the action. The Trusts filed a motion to dismiss on October 4, 2011, which remains pending. Plaintiffs filed a motion on November 28, 2011 asking the court to hold the motion to dismiss in abeyance while plaintiffs conduct limited discovery. The Plaintiffs request for discovery has been briefed and the court s decision whether Plaintiffs are entitled to discovery is pending. This matter is pending.

Management of the Adviser and each of the Funds believe that the outcome of the proceedings described above will have no material adverse effect on the Funds or on the ability of the Adviser to provide ongoing services to the Funds.

# **Share Price Data**

The NYSE is the principal trading market for PIA, VIM and the Acquiring Fund s Common Shares. The NYSE Amex is the principal trading market for VKL s Common Shares The following tables set forth the high and low sales prices and maximum premium/discount for each Fund s Common Shares for the periods indicated. [Common Shares of each Fund have historically traded at both a premium and discount to net asset value.]

		PIA				
	Price		Net Asset Value		Premium/Discount	
Quarterly Period Ending	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low
	\$ [_]	\$ [_]	\$ [_]	\$ [_]	%	%
		VKL				
	Pri	ce	Net Asset Value		Premium/Discount	
Quarterly Period Ending	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low
	\$ [_]	\$ [_]	\$ [_]	\$ [_]	%	%
		VIM				
	Pri	Price Net Asset Value		Premium/Discount		
Quarterly Period Ending	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low
	\$ [_]	\$ [_]	\$ [ <u>]</u>	\$ [_]	%	%
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# Acquiring Fund (VMO)

	Price Net Asset Value P		Price Net Asset Valu		Premium	Premium/Discount	
Quarterly Period Ending	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	
	\$ [_]	\$ [_]	\$ [_]	\$ [_]	%	%	
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The following table shows, as of [recent date], the NAV, market price, and premium or discount for Common Shares of each Fund.

		Market	Premium
	NAV	Price	(Discount)
PIA	\$ [_]	\$ [ <u>]</u>	[_]%
VKL	\$ [_]	\$ [ <u>]</u>	[_]%
VIM	\$ [_]	\$ [_]	[_]%
Acquiring Fund (VMO)	\$ [_]	\$ [_]	[_]%

Common Shares of each Fund trade at a market price that is determined by current supply and demand conditions. The market price of a Fund s Common Shares may or may not be the same as the Fund s NAV that is, the value of the portfolio securities owned by the Fund less its liabilities. When the market price of a Fund s Common Shares exceeds its NAV, such shares are said to be trading at a premium. When the market price of a Fund s Common Shares is lower than its NAV, they are said to be trading at a discount. It is very difficult to identify all of the factors that may cause a closed-end fund s common shares to trade at a discount. It is often difficult to reduce or eliminate a closed-end fund s discount over the long term. Some short-term measures, such as share repurchases and tender offers, tend to reduce a closed-end fund s assets (and thereby potentially increase expense ratios), but do not typically have a long-term effect on the discount. Other measures, such as managed dividend programs, may not have a consistent long-term effect on discounts.

While the Board of each Fund has determined that the Merger is in the best interests of each Fund, there is no guarantee that the Mergers will have any long-term effect or influence on whether the Acquiring Fund Common Shares trade at a discount or a premium after the Mergers. Whether Common Shares had been trading at a premium or discount was not a significant factor in each Board s approval of the Merger Agreement and recommendation for approval to Fund shareholders. The Acquiring Fund s Board will continue to monitor any discount or premium at which the Acquiring Fund Common Shares trade after the Mergers and will evaluate what (if any) further action is appropriate at that time to address any discount or premium.

### **Portfolio Turnover**

The Funds historical portfolio turnover rates are similar. Because the Funds have similar investment policies, management does not expect to dispose of a material amount of portfolio securities of any Fund in connection with the Mergers. No securities of the Target Funds need be sold in order for the Acquiring Fund to comply with its investment restrictions or policies. The Funds will continue to buy and sell securities in the normal course of their operations.

### Portfolio Guidelines of Rating Agencies for Preferred Shares

Each Fund has issued and outstanding Preferred Shares that are rated by one or more rating agencies. In order to maintain attractive credit quality ratings for Preferred Shares, a Fund must meet certain investment quality, diversification, asset coverage, liquidity, and other criteria established by such ratings agencies. These guidelines, which may vary between rating agencies and may be modified by a rating agency, could affect portfolio decisions and may be more stringent than those imposed by the 1940 Act or otherwise by a Fund s investment policies. A rating agency may change or withdraw its rating at any time.

# Terms and Conditions of the Mergers

The terms and conditions under which a Merger may be consummated are set forth in the Merger Agreement. Significant provisions of the Merger Agreement are summarized below; however, this summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Merger Agreement, a form of which is attached as Exhibit D.

In each Merger, a Target Fund will merge with and into the Acquiring Fund pursuant to the Merger Agreement and in accordance with the Delaware Statutory Trust Act. As a result of each Merger, all of the assets and liabilities of the merging Target Fund will become assets and liabilities of the Acquiring Fund, and the Target Fund s shareholders will become shareholders of the Acquiring Fund.

Under the terms of the Merger Agreement, the Acquiring Fund will issue new Acquiring Fund Common Shares to be distributed to the holders of Target Fund Common Shares. The number of Acquiring Fund Common Shares issued will be based on the relative NAVs and shares outstanding of the Acquiring Fund and the applicable Target Fund as of the business day immediately preceding the Merger s closing date. All Acquiring Fund Common Shares issued pursuant to the Agreement will be fully paid and non-assessable, and will be listed for trading on the Exchanges. The terms of the Acquiring Fund Common Shares to be issued in each Merger will be identical to the terms of the Acquiring Fund Common Shares already outstanding.

Under the terms of the Merger Agreement, the Acquiring Fund will also issue new Acquiring Fund Preferred Shares to be distributed to the Target Fund Preferred Shareholders. The number of additional Acquiring Fund Preferred Shares issued for each Merger will equal the number of outstanding Target Fund Preferred Shares, and such Acquiring Fund Preferred Shares will have liquidation preferences, rights, and privileges substantially identical to those of the then outstanding Preferred Shares for the merging Target Fund.

Prior to the closing of each Merger, each Target Fund will declare one or more dividends, and the Acquiring Fund may, but is not required to, declare a dividend, payable at or near the time of closing to their respective shareholders to the extent necessary to avoid entity level tax or as otherwise deemed desirable. Such distributions, if made, are anticipated to be made in the 2012 calendar year and, to the extent a distribution is not an exempt-interest dividend (as defined in the Code), the distribution may be taxable to shareholders in such year for federal income tax purposes. It is anticipated that Fund distributions will be primarily dividends that are exempt from regular federal income tax, although a portion of such dividends may be taxable to shareholders as ordinary income or capital gains. Any such final distribution paid to Common Shareholders by a Target Fund will be made in cash and not reinvested in additional Common Shares of the Target Fund. See the discussion under Description of Securities to be Issued Dividend Reinvestment Plan for further information.

If shareholders approve the Mergers and if all of the closing conditions set forth in the Merger Agreement are satisfied or waived, including the condition that each Fund complete its Redomestication (Proposal 1), consummation of the Mergers (the Closing ) is expected to occur in the third quarter of 2012 on a date mutually agreed upon by the Funds (the Closing Date ).

At the Closing, Acquiring Fund Common Shares will be credited to Target Fund Common Shareholders on a book-entry basis only. The Acquiring Fund will not issue certificates representing Common Shares in connection with the Mergers, irrespective of whether Target Fund shareholders currently hold such shares in certificated form. At the Closing, all outstanding certificates representing Common Shares of the merging Target Fund will be cancelled. Target Fund shareholders who own certificated Common Shares will not receive their Acquiring Fund Common Shares or dividend payments from the Acquiring Fund until their certificates are tendered to the Acquiring Fund. Target Fund Common Shareholders will, shortly after the closing of their Fund s Merger, receive instructions on how to tender any outstanding share certificates.

Each Fund will be required to make representations and warranties in the Merger Agreement that are customary in matters such as the Mergers.

If shareholders of a Fund do not approve a Merger or if a Merger does not otherwise close, the Board will consider what additional action to take, including allowing the Fund to continue operating as it currently does. The Merger Agreement may be terminated and the Merger may be abandoned at any time by mutual agreement of the parties. The Merger Agreement may be amended or modified in a writing signed by the parties.

### **Additional Information About the Funds**

As of the time of the Mergers, each Fund will be a newly organized Delaware statutory trust, as discussed in Proposal 1. Each Fund is registered under the 1940 Act, as a diversified, closed-end management investment company. Diversified means that the Fund is limited in the amount it can invest in a single issuer. A closed-end fund (unlike an open-end or mutual fund) does not continuously sell and redeem its shares; in the case of the Funds, Common Shares are bought and sold on the Exchanges. A management investment company is managed by an investment adviser the Adviser in the case of the Funds that buys and sells portfolio securities on behalf of the investment company.

# Federal Income Tax Matters Associated with Investment in the Funds

The following information is meant as a general summary of certain federal income tax matters for U.S. shareholders. Please see the SAI for additional information. Investors should rely on their own tax advisor for advice about the particular federal, state and local tax consequences to them of investing in the Funds (for purposes of this section, the Fund ).

The Fund has elected to be treated and intends to qualify each year (including the taxable year in which the Merger occurs) as a regulated investment company ( RIC ) under Subchapter M of the Code. In order to qualify as a RIC, the Fund must satisfy certain requirements regarding the sources of its income, the diversification of its assets and the distribution of its income. As a RIC, the Fund is not expected to be subject to federal income tax on the income and gains it distributes to its shareholders. If, for any taxable year, the Fund does not qualify for taxation as a RIC, it will be treated as a U.S. corporation subject to U.S. federal income tax, thereby subjecting any income earned by the Fund to tax at the corporate level and to a further tax at the shareholder level when such income is distributed. In lieu of losing its status as a RIC, the Fund is permitted to pay a tax for certain failures to satisfy the asset diversification test or income requirement, which, in general, are limited to those due to reasonable cause and not willful neglect, for taxable years of the Fund with respect to which the extended due date of the return is after December 22, 2010.

The Code imposes a 4% nondeductible excise tax on the Fund to the extent it does not distribute by the end of any calendar year at least the sum of (i) 98% of its taxable ordinary income for that year, and (ii) 98.2% of its capital gain net income (both long-term and short-term) for the one-year period ending, as a general rule, on October 31 of that year. For this purpose, however, any ordinary income or capital gain net income retained by the Fund that is subject to corporate income tax will be considered to have been distributed by year-end. In addition, the minimum amounts that must be distributed in any year to avoid the excise tax will be increased or decreased to reflect any underdistribution or overdistribution, as the case may be, from the previous year. The Fund anticipates that it will pay such dividends and will make such distributions as are necessary in order to avoid or minimize the application of this excise tax.

The Fund primarily invests in municipal securities. Thus, substantially all of the Fund s dividends paid to you from net investment income should qualify as exempt-interest dividends. A shareholder treats an exempt-interest dividend as interest on state and local bonds exempt from regular federal income tax. Exempt-interest dividends from interest earned on municipal securities of a state, or its political subdivisions, generally are exempt from that state s personal income tax. Most states, however, do not grant tax-free treatment to interest from municipal securities of other states.

Federal income tax law imposes an alternative minimum tax with respect to corporations, individuals, trusts and estates. Interest on certain municipal obligations, such as certain private activity bonds, is included as an item of

tax preference in determining the amount of a taxpayer s alternative minimum taxable income. To the extent that the Fund receives income from such municipal obligations, a portion of the dividends paid by the Fund, although exempt from regular federal income tax, will be taxable to shareholders to the extent that their tax liability is determined under the federal alternative minimum tax. The Fund will annually provide a report indicating the percentage of the Fund s income attributable to municipal obligations subject to the federal alternative minimum tax. Corporations are subject to special rules in calculating their federal alternative minimum taxable income with respect to interest from such municipal obligations.

In addition to exempt-interest dividends, the Fund may also distribute to its shareholders amounts that are treated as long-term capital gain or ordinary income (which may include short-term capital gains). These distributions may be subject to federal, state and local taxation, depending on a shareholder s situation. If so, they are taxable whether or not such distributions are reinvested. Net capital gain distributions (the excess of net long-term capital gain over net short-term capital loss) are generally taxable at rates applicable to long-term capital gains regardless of how long a shareholder has held its shares. Long-term capital gains are currently taxable to noncorporate shareholders at a maximum federal income tax rate of 15%. Absent further legislation, the maximum 15% rate on long-term capital gains will cease to apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012. The Fund does not expect that any part of its distributions to shareholders from its investments will qualify for the dividends-received deduction available to corporate shareholders or as qualified dividend income available to noncorporate shareholders.

Distributions by the Fund in excess of the Fund s current and accumulated earnings and profits will be treated as a return of capital to the extent of the shareholder s tax basis in its shares and will reduce such basis. Any such amount in excess of that basis will be treated as gain from the sale of shares, as discussed below.

As a RIC, the Fund will not be subject to federal income tax in any taxable year on the income and gains it distributes to shareholders provided that it meets certain distribution requirements. The Fund may retain for investment some (or all) of its net capital gain. If the Fund retains any net capital gain or investment company taxable income, it will be subject to tax at regular corporate rates on the amount retained. If the Fund retains any net capital gain, it may designate the retained amount as undistributed capital gains in a notice to its shareholders who, if subject to federal income tax on long-term capital gains, (i) will be required to include in income for federal income tax purposes, as long-term capital gain, their share of such undistributed amount; (ii) will be entitled to credit their proportionate shares of the federal income tax paid by the Fund on such undistributed amount against their federal income tax liabilities, if any; and (iii) may claim refunds to the extent the credit exceeds such liabilities. For federal income tax purposes, the basis of shares owned by a shareholder of the Fund will be increased by an amount equal to the difference between the amount of undistributed capital gains included in the shareholder s gross income and the tax deemed paid by the shareholder under clause (ii) of the preceding sentence.

The IRS currently requires that a RIC that has two or more classes of stock allocate to each such class proportionate amounts of each type of its income (such as exempt interest, ordinary income and capital gains). Accordingly, the Fund designates dividends made with respect to the Common Shares and the Preferred Shares as consisting of particular types of income (e.g., exempt interest, net capital gain and ordinary income) in accordance with each class proportionate share of the total dividends paid by the Fund during the year. A class s proportionate share of a particular type of income is determined according to the percentage of total dividends paid by the RIC to such class.

Dividends declared by the Fund to shareholders of record in October, November or December and paid during the following January may be treated as having been received by shareholders in the year the distributions were declared.

At the time of an investor s purchase of Fund shares, a portion of the purchase price may be attributable to realized or unrealized appreciation in the Fund s portfolio or to undistributed ordinary income or capital gains of the Fund. Consequently, subsequent distributions by the Fund with respect to these shares from such appreciation, income or gains may be taxable to such investor even if the net asset value of the investor s shares is, as a result of the distributions, reduced below the investor s cost for such shares and the distributions economically represent a return of a portion of the investment.

Each shareholder will receive an annual statement summarizing the shareholder s dividend and capital gains distributions.

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The redemption, sale or exchange of shares normally will result in capital gain or loss to shareholders who hold their shares as capital assets. Generally, a shareholder s gain or loss will be long-term capital gain or loss if the shares have been held for more than one year. The gain or loss on shares held for one year or less will generally be treated as short-term capital gain or loss. Present law taxes both long-term and short-term capital gains of corporations at the same rates applicable to ordinary income. Long-term capital gains are currently taxable to noncorporate shareholders at a maximum federal income tax rate of 15%. As noted above, absent further legislation, the maximum 15% rate on long-term capital gains will cease to apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012. Any loss on the sale of shares that have been held for six months or less will be disallowed to the extent of any distribution of exempt-interest dividends received with respect to such shares and any remaining loss will be treated as a long-term capital loss to the extent of any long-term capital gain distributed to you by the Fund on those shares. Any loss realized on a sale or exchange of shares of a Fund will be disallowed to the extent those shares of the Fund are replaced by other substantially identical shares of the Fund or other substantially identical stock or securities (including through reinvestment of dividends) within a period of 61 days beginning 30 days before and ending 30 days after the date of disposition of the original shares. In that event, the basis of the replacement shares of the Fund will be adjusted to reflect the disallowed loss.

Under Treasury regulations, if a shareholder recognizes a loss with respect to Fund shares of \$2 million or more for an individual shareholder, or \$10 million or more for a corporate shareholder, in any single taxable year (or of certain greater amounts over a combination of years), generally the shareholder must file with the IRS a disclosure statement on Form 8886.

Shareholders that are exempt from U.S. federal income tax, such as retirement plans that are qualified under Section 401 of the Code, generally are not subject to U.S. federal income tax on otherwise-taxable Fund dividends or distributions, or on sales or exchanges of Fund shares unless the Fund shares are debt-financed property within the meaning of the Code.

Any interest on indebtedness incurred or continued to purchase or carry the Fund s shares to which exempt-interest dividends are allocated is not deductible. Under certain applicable rules, the purchase or ownership of shares may be considered to have been made with borrowed funds even though such funds are not directly used for the purchase or ownership of the shares. In addition, if you receive Social Security or certain railroad retirement benefits, you may be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a portion of such benefits as a result of receiving investment income, including exempt-interest dividends and other distributions paid by the Fund.

Investments in debt obligations that are at risk of or in default present special tax issues for the Fund. Federal income tax rules are not entirely clear about issues such as when the Fund may cease to accrue interest, original issue discount or market discount, when and to what extent deductions may be taken for bad debts or worthless securities, how payments received on obligations in default should be allocated between principal and interest and whether certain exchanges of debt obligations in a workout context are taxable. These and other issues will be addressed by the Fund, in the event it invests in or holds such securities, in order to seek to ensure that it distributes sufficient income to preserve its status as a RIC.

If the Fund invests in certain pay-in-kind securities, zero coupon securities, deferred interest securities or, in general, any other securities with original issue discount (or with market discount if the Fund elects to include market discount in income currently), the Fund must accrue income on such investments for each taxable year, which generally will be prior to the receipt of the corresponding cash payments. However, the Fund must distribute to shareholders, at least annually, all or substantially all of its investment company taxable income (determined without regard to the deduction for dividends paid), including such accrued income, to qualify as a RIC and to avoid federal income and excise taxes. Therefore, the Fund may have to dispose of its portfolio securities under disadvantageous circumstances to generate cash, or may have to leverage itself by borrowing the cash, to satisfy these distribution requirements.

The Fund may hold or acquire municipal obligations that are market discount bonds. A market discount bond is a security acquired in the secondary market at a price below its redemption value (or its adjusted issue price if it is also an original issue discount bond). If the Fund invests in a market discount bond, it will be required to treat any gain recognized on the disposition of such market discount bond as ordinary taxable income to the extent of the accrued

market discount.

By law, if you do not provide the Fund with your proper taxpayer identification number and certain required certifications, you may be subject to backup withholding on any distributions of income, capital gains, or proceeds from the sale of your shares. The Fund also must withhold if the IRS instructs it to do so. When withholding is required, the amount will be 28% of any distributions or proceeds paid, including exempt interest dividends (for distributions and proceeds paid after December 31, 2012, the rate is scheduled to rise to 31% unless the 28% rate is extended or made permanent).

For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012, an additional 3.8% Medicare tax will be imposed on certain net investment income (including ordinary dividends and capital gain distributions received from the Fund and net gains from redemptions or other taxable dispositions of Fund shares) of US individuals, estates and trusts to the extent that such person s modified adjusted gross income (in the case of an individual) or adjusted gross income (in the case of an estate or trust) exceeds a threshold amount.

The description of certain federal tax provisions above relates only to U.S. federal income tax consequences for shareholders who are U.S. persons, i.e., generally, U.S. citizens or residents or U.S. corporations, partnerships, trusts or estates, and who are subject to U.S. federal income tax and hold their shares as capital assets. Except as otherwise provided, this description does not address the special tax rules that may be applicable to particular types of investors, such as financial institutions, insurance companies, securities dealers, other regulated investment companies, or tax-exempt or tax-deferred plans, accounts or entities. Investors other than U.S. persons may be subject to different U.S. federal income tax treatment, including a non-resident alien U.S. withholding tax at the rate of 30% or any lower applicable treaty rate on amounts treated as ordinary dividends from the Fund, special certification requirements to avoid U.S. backup withholding and claim any treaty benefits and U.S. estate tax. Shareholders should consult their own tax advisors on these matters and on state, local, foreign and other applicable tax laws.

Under recently enacted legislation and administrative guidance, the relevant withholding agent may be required to withhold 30% of any (a) income dividends paid after December 31, 2013 and (b) certain capital gains distributions and the proceeds of a sale of shares paid after December 31, 2014 to (i) a foreign financial institution unless such foreign financial institution agrees to verify, report and disclose certain of its U.S. accountholders and meets certain other specified requirements or (ii) a non-financial foreign entity that is the beneficial owner of the payment unless such entity certifies that it does not have any substantial U.S. owners or provides the name, address and taxpayer identification number of each substantial U.S. owner and such entity meets certain other specified requirements.

# **Board Considerations in Approving the Mergers**

On June 1, 2010, Invesco acquired the retail fund management business of Morgan Stanley, which included 32 Morgan Stanley and Van Kampen branded closed-end funds. This transaction filled gaps in Invesco s product line and has enabled Invesco to expand its investment offerings to retail customers. The transaction also resulted in product overlap. The Mergers proposed in this Proxy Statement are part of a larger group of mergers across Invesco s fund platform that began in early 2011. The larger group of mergers is designed to put forth Invesco s most compelling investment processes and strategies, reduce product overlap and create scale in the resulting funds. Considerations of the Board of VKL, VIM and the Acquiring Fund

The Boards (the IVK Boards ) of VIM, VKL and the Acquiring Fund (the IVK Funds ) considered the Mergers over a series of meetings. The Nominating Committee of the IVK Boards, which consists solely of trustees who are not interested persons, as that term is defined in the 1940 Act, of the IVK Funds (the Independent Trustees ), met on November 1, 2011 to consider the Mergers and to assist the IVK Boards in its consideration of the Mergers. The Nominating Committee considered presentations from the Adviser on the proposed Mergers and identified to the Adviser certain supplemental information to be prepared in connection with the presentation of the proposed Mergers to the full IVK Boards. Prior the November 15, 2011 meeting of the full IVK Boards, the IVK Boards met in executive session with the Nominating Committee to discuss the Committee s consideration and review of the proposed Mergers. The full IVK Boards met twice, on November 15, 2011 and November 28, 2011, to review and consider the Mergers. The IVK Boards requested and received from the Adviser written materials containing relevant information about the Funds and the proposed Mergers, including fee and expense information on an actual and pro forma estimated basis, and comparative portfolio composition and performance data.

The IVK Boards reviewed, among other information they deemed relevant, information comparing the following for each Fund on a current and pro forma basis: (1) investment objectives, policies and restrictions; (2) portfolio management; (3) portfolio composition; (4) comparative short-term and long-term investment performance and distribution yields; (5) expense ratios and expense structures, including contractual investment advisory fees and fee waiver agreements; (6) expected federal income tax consequences to the Funds, including any impact on capital loss carry forwards; (7) relative asset size; (8) trading information such as trading premiums/discounts for the Funds Common Shares; and (9) use of leverage and outstanding Preferred Shares. The IVK Boards discussed with the Adviser the Adviser s process for selecting and analyzing the Funds that had been proposed to participate in the Mergers and possible alternatives to the Mergers, including liquidation and maintaining stand alone funds, among other alternatives. The IVK Boards also discussed with the Adviser the Mergers in the context of the larger group of completed and proposed reorganizations of funds in the fund complex, which were designed to rationalize the Invesco funds to seek to enhance visibility in the market place.

The IVK Boards considered the potential benefits to each respective IVK Fund of each Merger and reviewed the anticipated economic effects of each Merger on the combined fund s fees and expenses, earnings, distribution rates, undistributed net investment company income and market price of Common Shares. The IVK Boards considered that (1) the investment objective, strategies and related risks of each Target Fund and the Acquiring Fund are substantially the same; (2) the Funds have the same portfolio management teams; (3) shareholders would become shareholders of the larger combined fund; (4) the Acquiring Fund s management fee schedule will apply to the combined fund, (5) the Adviser s agreement to limit the Acquiring Fund s total expenses if a Merger is completed, as disclosed above on a pro forma basis, through June 30, 2014 and (6) the allocation of expenses of the Mergers, [including the Adviser s paying [some of] the Merger costs].

The IVK Boards considered the potential benefits to each respective IVK Fund of each Merger, including (1) maintaining consistent portfolio management teams, processes and investment objectives; (2) reducing market confusion caused by similar product offerings; and (3) potential benefits resulting from the larger size of the combined fund, including the potential for (i) increased attention from the investment community, (ii) increased trading volume and tighter spreads and improved premium/discount levels for the combined fund s Common Shares, (iii) improved purchasing power and more efficient transaction costs, and (iv) increased diversification of portfolio investments. The IVK Boards also considered the expected tax free nature of the Mergers for each IVK Fund and its shareholders for federal income tax purposes. In addition, the Board of each IVK Fund that is a Target Fund considered the Acquiring Fund s investment adviser, the services provided, and those expected to be provided, to the Acquiring Fund by the Adviser, and the terms and conditions of the Acquiring Fund s advisory agreement.

Based upon the information and considerations summarized above, each IVK Board concluded that each applicable Merger is in the best interests of its respective IVK Fund and the shareholders of such IVK Fund and that no dilution of net asset value would result to the shareholders of such IVK Fund from each applicable Merger. Consequently, on November 28, 2011, each IVK Board, including the Independent Trustees voting separately, unanimously approved the Merger Agreement and each applicable Merger and unanimously recommended that the shareholders of each IVK Fund vote in favor of each applicable Merger.

## Considerations of the Board of PIA

PIA s Board created an ad hoc committee (the Ad Hoc Merger Committee ) to consider the Merger and to assist the Board in its consideration of the Merger. The Ad Hoc Merger Committee met separately two times, on October 17, 2011 and November 18, 2011 to discuss the proposed Merger. Two separate meetings of PIA s Board were also held to review and consider the Merger, including presentations by the Ad Hoc Merger Committee on its deliberations and, ultimately, recommendations. The trustees who are not interested persons, as that term is defined in the 1940 Act, of PIA (the Independent Trustees ) held a separate meeting in conjunction with the November 29-30, 2011 meeting of the full Board to consider these matters. The Independent Trustees have been advised on this matter by independent legal counsel to the Independent Trustees. PIA s Board requested and received from the Adviser written materials containing relevant information about PIA and the proposed Merger, including fee and expense information on an actual and pro forma estimated basis, and comparative portfolio composition and performance data.

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The Board reviewed, among other information they deemed relevant, information comparing the following for PIA: (1) investment objectives, policies and restrictions; (2) portfolio management; (3) portfolio composition; (4) comparative short-term and long-term investment performance and distribution yields; (5) current expense ratios and expense structures, including contractual investment advisory fees on a net asset basis and on a managed assets

basis; (6) expected federal income tax consequences to PIA, including any impact on capital loss carry forwards; (7) relative asset size; and (8) trading information such as trading premiums/discounts and bid/ask spreads.

The Board considered the benefits to PIA of (i) combining with a similar fund to create a larger fund, [(ii) the Adviser s paying [some of] the Merger costs], and (iii) the expected tax free nature of the Merger for PIA and its shareholders for federal income tax purposes. In addition, PIA s Board considered the Acquiring Fund s contractual advisory fee rate in light of the benefits of retaining the Adviser as the Acquiring Fund s investment adviser, the services provided, and those expected to be provided, to the Acquiring Fund by the Adviser, and the terms and conditions of the Acquiring Fund s advisory agreement.

The Board also considered the Merger in the context of the larger group of mergers, which were designed to rationalize the Invesco funds in a way that can enhance visibility in the market place. The Board also considered the possible benefits that might accrue to a single, larger closed-end fund, including increased market liquidity and increased analyst coverage. The Board discussed with the Adviser the possible alternatives to the Merger, including liquidation and maintaining the status quo, among other alternatives.

The Board further considered that (i) the investment objective, strategies and related risks of PIA and the Acquiring Fund are substantially the same; (ii) the Funds have the same portfolio management team; (iii) shareholders would become shareholders of a single larger Fund; (iv) the Adviser s agreement to limit the Acquiring Fund s total expenses if a Merger is completed, as disclosed above on a pro forma basis, through June 30, 2014; and (v) the Adviser s representation that, because of the similarity between the Funds investment objectives and strategies, the costs associated with repositioning PIA s investment portfolio in connection with a Merger would be minimal.

Based upon the information and considerations described above, the Board concluded that the Merger is in the best interests of PIA and that no dilution of net asset value would result to the shareholders of PIA from the Merger. Consequently, the Board unanimously approved the Merger Agreement and the Merger on November 29, 2011. **Federal Income Tax Considerations of the Mergers** 

The following is a general summary of the material U.S. federal income tax considerations of the Mergers and is based upon the current provisions of the Code, the existing U.S. Treasury Regulations thereunder, current administrative rulings of the IRS and published judicial decisions, all of which are subject to change. These considerations are general in nature and individual shareholders should consult their own tax advisors as to the federal, state, local, and foreign tax considerations applicable to them and their individual circumstances. These same considerations generally do not apply to shareholders who hold their shares in a tax-deferred account.

Each Merger is intended to be a tax-free reorganization pursuant to Section 368(a) of the Code. As described above, the Mergers will occur following the Redomestication of each Target Fund and the Acquiring Fund. The principal federal income tax considerations that are expected to result from the Merger of each Target Fund into the Acquiring Fund are as follows:

no gain or loss will be recognized by the Target Fund or the shareholders of the Target Fund as a result of the Merger;

no gain or loss will be recognized by the Acquiring Fund as a result of the Merger;

the aggregate tax basis of the shares of the Acquiring Fund to be received by a shareholder of the Target Fund will be the same as the shareholder s aggregate tax basis of the shares of the Target Fund; and

the holding period of the shares of the Acquiring Fund received by a shareholder of the Target Fund will include the period that a shareholder held the shares of the Target Fund (provided that such shares of the Target Fund are capital assets in the hands of such shareholder as of the Closing).

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Neither the Target Funds nor the Acquiring Fund have requested or will request an advance ruling from the IRS as to the federal tax consequences of the Mergers. As a condition to Closing, Stradley Ronon Stevens & Young, LLP will render a favorable opinion to each Target Fund and the Acquiring Fund as to the foregoing federal income tax consequences of each Merger, which opinion will be conditioned upon, among other things, the accuracy, as of the Closing Date, of certain representations of each Target Fund and the Acquiring Fund upon which Stradley Ronon Stevens & Young, LLP will rely in rendering its opinion. Such opinion of counsel may state that no opinion is expressed as to the effect of the Mergers on the Target Funds, Acquiring Fund or any Target Fund shareholder with respect to any transferred asset as to which any unrealized gain or loss is required to be recognized for federal income tax purposes at the end of a taxable year (or on the termination or transfer thereof) under a mark-to-market system of accounting. A copy of the opinion will be filed with the SEC and will be available for public inspection. See Where to Find Additional Information.

Opinions of counsel are not binding upon the IRS or the courts. If a Merger is consummated but the IRS or the courts determine that the Merger does not qualify as a tax-free reorganization under the Code, and thus is taxable, the Target Fund would recognize gain or loss on the transfer of its assets to the Acquiring Fund and each shareholder of the Target Fund would recognize a taxable gain or loss equal to the difference between its tax basis in its Target Fund shares and the fair market value of the shares of the Acquiring Fund it receives. The failure of one Merger to qualify as a tax-free reorganization would not adversely affect any other Merger.

Prior to the closing of each Merger, each Target Fund will declare one or more dividends, and the Acquiring Fund may, but is not required to, declare a dividend, payable at or near the time of closing to their respective shareholders to the extent necessary to avoid entity level tax or as otherwise deemed desirable. Such distributions, if made, are anticipated to be made in the 2012 calendar year and, to the extent a distribution is not an exempt-interest dividend (as defined in the Code), the distribution may be taxable to shareholders in such year for federal income tax purposes. It is anticipated that Fund distributions will be primarily dividends that are exempt from regular federal income tax, although a portion of such dividends may be taxable to shareholders as ordinary income or capital gains. Any such final distribution paid to Common Shareholders by a Target Fund will be made in cash and not reinvested in additional Common Shares of the Target Fund. See the discussion under Description of Securities to be Issued Dividend Reinvestment Plan for further information.

The tax attributes, including capital loss carryovers, of the Target Funds move to the Acquiring Fund in the Mergers. The capital loss carryovers of the Target Funds and the Acquiring Fund are available to offset future gains recognized by the combined Fund, subject to limitations under the Code. Where these limitations apply, all or a portion of a Fund s capital loss carryovers may become unavailable, the effect of which may be to accelerate the recognition of taxable gain to the combined Fund and its shareholders post-Closing. First, the capital loss carryovers of each Fund that experiences a more than 50% ownership change in a Merger (e.g., in a reorganization of two Funds, the smaller Fund), increased by any current year loss or decreased by any current year gain, together with any net unrealized depreciation in the value of its portfolio investments (collectively, its aggregate capital loss carryovers), are expected to become subject to an annual limitation. Losses in excess of that limitation may be carried forward to succeeding tax years, subject, in the case of net capital losses that arise in taxable years beginning on or before December 22, 2010 as discussed below, to an overall eight-year carryover period. The annual limitation will generally equal the net asset value of a Fund on the Closing Date multiplied by the long-term tax-exempt rate published by the IRS. In the case of a Fund with net unrealized built-in gains at the time of Closing of a Merger (i.e., unrealized appreciation in value of the Fund s investments), the annual limitation for a taxable year will be increased by the amount of such built-in gains that are recognized in the taxable year. Second, if a Fund has built-in gains at the time of Closing that are realized by the combined Fund in the five-year period following a Merger, such built-in gains, when realized, may not be offset by the losses (including any capital loss carryovers and built in losses ) of another Fund. Third, the capital losses of a Target Fund that may be used by the Acquiring Fund (including to offset any built-in gains of a Target Fund itself) for the first taxable year ending after the Closing Date will be limited to an amount equal to the capital gain net income of the Acquiring Fund for such taxable year (excluding capital loss carryovers) treated as realized post-Closing based on the number of days remaining in such year. Fourth, a Merger may result in an earlier expiration of a Fund s capital loss carryovers because a Merger may cause a Target Fund s tax year to close early in the year of the Merger.

The Regulated Investment Company Modernization Act of 2010 eliminated the eight-year carryover period for capital losses that arise in taxable years beginning after its enactment date (December 22, 2010) for regulated investment companies regardless of whether such regulated investment company is a party to a reorganization.

Consequently, these capital losses can be carried forward indefinitely. However, capital losses incurred in pre-enactment taxable years may not be used to offset capital gains until all net capital losses arising in post-enactment taxable years have been utilized. As a result, some net capital loss carryovers incurred in pre-enactment taxable years which otherwise would have been utilized under prior law may expire.

The aggregate capital loss carryovers of the Funds and the approximate annual limitation on the use by the Acquiring Fund, post-Closing, of each Fund s aggregate capital loss carryovers following the Mergers are as follows:

	<b>PIA</b>	VKL	<b>VIM</b>	VMO
	(000,000s)	(000,000s)	(000,000s)	(000,000s)
	at	at	at	at
	8/31/2011	8/31/2011	8/31/2011	8/31/2011
Aggregate Capital Loss Carryovers on a Tax Basis (1) Unrealized Net Appreciation (Depreciation) in	\$ (27.4)	\$ (34.0)	\$ (21.0)	\$ (87.2)
Investments on a Tax Basis	\$ 8.7	\$5.6	\$ 3.9	\$ 20.4
Aggregate Net Asset Value	\$140.2	\$178.4	\$128.7	\$448.2
Approximate Annual Limitation (2)	\$ 5.0	\$6.3	\$ 4.6	\$ 15.9

(1) Based on capital loss carryovers at February 28, 2011; includes realized gain or loss for the current fiscal year determined on the basis of generally accepted accounting principles.

(2) Based on the long-term tax-exempt rate for ownership changes during December 2011 of 3.55%.

Based upon each Fund s capital loss position at February 28, 2011, the annual limitations on the use of each Fund s aggregate capital loss carryovers may not prevent the combined Fund from utilizing such losses, albeit over a period of time. However, the effect of these annual limitations may be to cause the combined Fund, post-Closing, to distribute more capital gains in a taxable year than might otherwise have been the case if no such limitation had applied. The ability of the Acquiring Fund to absorb its own aggregate capital loss carryovers and those of the Target Funds post-Closing depends upon a variety of factors that cannot be known in advance. For more information with respect to each Fund s capital loss carryovers, please refer to the Fund s shareholder report.

Shareholders of a Target Fund will receive a proportionate share of any taxable income and gains realized by the Acquiring Fund and not distributed to its shareholders prior to the Merger when such income and gains are eventually distributed by the Acquiring Fund. As a result, shareholders of a Target Fund may receive a greater amount of taxable distributions than they would have had the Merger not occurred. In addition, if the Acquiring Fund following the Mergers has proportionately greater unrealized appreciation in its portfolio investments as a percentage of its net asset value than a Target Fund, shareholders of the Target Fund, post-Closing, may receive greater amounts of taxable gain as such portfolio investments are sold than they otherwise might have if the Mergers had not occurred. At August 31, 2011, the unrealized appreciation (depreciation) in value of the portfolio investments of each Target Fund on a tax basis as a percentage of its net asset value is 6% for PIA, 3% for VKL, and 3% for VIM, compared to that of the Acquiring Fund of 5%, and 4% on a combined basis.

After the Mergers, shareholders will continue to be responsible for tracking the adjusted tax basis and holding period of their shares for federal income tax purposes.

#### **Costs of the Mergers**

The estimated total costs of the Merger for each Fund, as well as the estimated proxy solicitation costs for each Fund (which are part of the total Merger costs), are set forth in the table below.

		Estimated Portion of
		Total
Estimated	Estimated	Merger Costs to be Paid
Proxy	Total	by the

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	Solicitation	Merger	
	Costs	Costs	Funds
PIA	\$ [ ]	\$ [ ]	\$[ ]
VKL	\$ [ ]	\$ [ ]	\$[ ]
VIM	\$ [ ]	\$ [ ]	\$[ ]
Acquiring Fund (VMO)	\$ [ ]	\$ [ ]	\$[ ]
	41		

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[The Adviser will bear the Merger costs of \_\_\_\_\_ Fund.] The costs of the Merger include legal counsel fees, independent accountant fees, expenses related to the printing and mailing of this Proxy Statement, listing fees for additional shares on the Exchanges, and fees associated with the proxy solicitation.

# Capitalization

The following table shows the number of shares of beneficial interest outstanding for each class of securities of the Acquiring Fund as of February 29, 2012. As of the time of the Merger (by which time each Fund will have been reorganized as a Delaware statutory trust, as discussed in Proposal 1), each Fund will be authorized to issue an unlimited number of preferred shares of beneficial interest and an unlimited number of common shares of beneficial interest, and no Fund will hold any of its shares for its own account.

## **Title of Class**

Preferred Shares of Beneficial Interest Common Shares of Beneficial Interest

The following table sets forth as of February 29, 2012 the total net assets, number of shares outstanding and net asset value per share of each class of each Fund. This information is generally referred to as the capitalization of a Fund. The term *pro forma* capitalization means the expected capitalization of the Acquiring Fund after the Mergers. The table shows *pro forma* capitalization giving effect to the proposed Merger with [PIA] and giving effect to all of the Mergers. The capitalizations of each Target Fund, the Acquiring Fund and their classes are likely to be different on the Closing Date as a result of daily market activity.

				Acquiring Fund	Pro Forma	Acquiring Fund (assumes only Merger with [PIA]	Acquiring Fund pro forma (assumes all of the Mergers are
Net assets (all	PIA	VKL	VIM	(VMO)	Adjustments	is completed)	completed)
classes) Common Shares	\$ [_]	\$ [ <b>_</b> ]	\$ [_]	\$ [_]	\$ [ <u>]</u> 1	\$ [_]	\$ [_]
Outstanding	[_]	[_]	[_]	[_]	[_]	[_]	[_]
Common Share NAV Per Share Preferred Shares	\$ [_]	\$ [ <u>]</u>	\$ [_]	\$ [_]	\$ [ <u>]</u> 1	\$ [_]	\$ [_]
Outstanding	[_]	[_]	[_]	[_]	[_]	[_]	[_]

<sup>1</sup> [*Pro forma* net assets have been adjusted for the allocated portion of the Funds expenses to be incurred in connection with the Merger.]

<sup>2</sup> Pro forma shares outstanding have been adjusted for the accumulated change in the number of shares of each Target Fund s shareholder accounts based on the relative net asset value per Common Share of each Target Fund and the Acquiring Fund.

## Where to Find More Information

The SAI contains further information on the Funds, including their investment policies, strategies and risks. Additional information is available in each Fund s shareholder reports.

THE BOARDS RECOMMEND THAT YOU VOTE FOR THE APPROVAL OF PROPOSAL 2.

Amount

Outstanding

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#### **PROPOSAL 3: ELECTION OF TRUSTEES BY PIA**

At the Meeting, Common Shareholders of PIA will vote on the election of the following six nominees for election as Trustees: James T. Bunch, Bruce L. Crockett, Rodney F. Dammeyer, Jack M. Fields, Martin L. Flanagan and Carl Frischling. All nominees have consented to being named in this Proxy Statement and have agreed to serve if elected. The following table indicates the Trustees and the period for which each group currently serves:

Group I*	Group II**	Group III***
Albert R. Dowden	David C. Arch	James T. Bunch
Prema Mathai-Davis	Frank S. Bayley	Bruce L. Crockett
Hugo F. Sonnenschein	Larry Soll	Rodney F. Dammeyer
Raymond Stickel, Jr.	Philip A. Taylor	Jack M. Fields
	Wayne W. Whalen	Martin L. Flanagan

\* Currently serving until the year 2013 Annual Meeting or until their successors have been duly elected and qualified.

Carl Frischling

- \*\* Currently serving until the year 2014 Annual Meeting or until their successors have been duly elected and qualified.
- \*\*\* If elected, to serve until the year 2015 Annual Meeting or until their successors have been duly elected and qualified.

If elected, each nominee will serve until the later of PIA s annual meeting of shareholders in 2015 or until his or her successor has been duly elected and qualified or his or her earlier retirement, resignation or removal. As in the past, only one class of Trustees is being submitted to shareholders of PIA for election at the Meeting. The Declaration of Trust of PIA provides that the Board shall be divided into three classes, which must be as nearly equal in number as possible. For PIA, the Trustees of only one class are elected at each annual meeting, so that the regular term of only one class of Trustees will expire annually and any particular Trustee stands for election only once in each three-year period. This type of classification may prevent replacement of a majority of Trustees of PIA for up to a two-year period. The foregoing is subject to the provisions of the 1940 Act, applicable state law, PIA s Declaration of Trust and PIA s Bylaws.

The business and affairs of PIA are managed under the direction of their Boards of Trustees. Biographical information regarding the Trustees can be found in Exhibit F. Information on the Trustees qualifications and experience can be found in Exhibit G. Information on the Boards leadership structure, role in risk oversight, and committees and meetings can be found in Exhibit H. Information on the remuneration of Trustees can be found in Exhibit I. Information on the remuneration of Trustees can be found in Exhibit I. Information on the executive officers of PIA is available in Exhibit E. Information on PIA independent registered public accounting firm is available in Exhibit J.

Prema Mathai-Davis and Frank S. Bayley have been designated to be elected by the holders of the Preferred Shares of PIA. Preferred Shares of PIA are also expected to vote on the election of the Trustee nominees, and their votes will be counted together as a single class with the Common Shares.

## THE BOARD OF PIA RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR ALL OF THE NOMINEES. PROPOSAL 4: ELECTION OF TRUSTEES BY VKL, VIM AND THE ACQUIRING FUND

At the Meeting, Common Shareholders of VKL, VIM and the Acquiring Fund (collectively, the Invesco Van Kampen Funds ) will vote to elect Trustees as follows:

- a. With respect to VIM and the Acquiring Fund, to elect one Class II Trustee (Wayne W. Whalen is the nominee).
- b. With respect to VKL, to elect two Class III Trustees (Colin D. Meadows and R. Craig Kennedy are the nominees).

At the Meeting, the Preferred Shareholders of each Invesco Van Kampen Fund, whose voting instructions are being separately solicited, will vote as a separate class on the election of one Trustee designated to be elected solely by Preferred Shareholders. For VIM and the Acquiring Fund, Preferred Shareholders will vote with respect to one Class II Trustee (Linda Hutton Heagy is the nominee). For VKL, Preferred Shareholders will vote with respect to one Class III Trustee (Hugo F. Sonnenschein is the nominee).

If elected, each nominee will serve until the later of the Invesco Van Kampen Funds annual meeting of shareholders in 2015 or until his or her successor has been duly elected and qualified, or his or her earlier retirement, resignation or removal. As in the past, only one class of Trustees is being submitted to shareholders of each Invesco Van Kampen Fund for election at the Meeting. The Declaration of Trust of each Invesco Van Kampen Fund provides that the Board shall be divided into three classes, which must be as nearly equal in number as possible. For each Invesco Van Kampen Fund, the Trustees of only one class are elected at each annual meeting, so that the regular term of only one class of Trustees will expire annually and any particular Trustee stands for election only once in each three-year period. This type of classification may prevent replacement of a majority of Trustees of an Invesco Van Kampen Fund for up to a two-year period. The foregoing is subject to the provisions of the 1940 Act, applicable state law, each Invesco Van Kampen Fund s Declaration of Trust, and each Invesco Van Kampen Fund s Bylaws.

The Trustees who make up the various classes of the Boards of the Invesco Van Kampen Funds are shown in the chart below: