

# **FAIRHOLME FUNDS**

No-load, non-diversified funds

# THE FAIRHOLME FUND (FAIRX)

Seeking long-term growth of capital

# THE FAIRHOLME FOCUSED INCOME FUND (FOCIX)

Seeking current income

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# THE FAIRHOLME FUND ("The Fairholme Fund")

# **Investment Objective**

The Fairholme Fund's investment objective is long-term growth of capital.

#### Fees and Expenses of the Fund

The following table describes the fees and expenses you may pay if you buy, hold and sell shares of The Fairholme Fund. You may be required to pay commissions and/or other forms of compensation to a broker for transactions in shares of The Fairholme Fund, which are not reflected in the tables or the Example below.

| SHAREHOLDER FEES   |       |
|--|-------|
| (Fees Paid Directly From Your Investment)  |       |
| Maximum Sales Charge (Load) Imposed on Purchases (as a percentage of offering price)                                       | None  |
| Maximum Deferred Sales Charge (Load) (as a percentage of amount redeemed)  | None  |
| Maximum Sales Charge (Load) Imposed on Reinvested Dividends and Other Distributions (as a percentage of amount reinvested) | None  |
| Redemption Fee Paid to the Fund (as a percentage of amount redeemed within 60 days of purchase, if applicable)             | 2.00% |

| ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES (Expenses That You Pay Each Year As A Percentage Of The Value Of Your Investment In The Fairholme Fund) |       |
|--|-------|
| Management Fees  | 1.00% |
| Distribution (12b-1) Fees  | None  |
| Other Expenses   | 0.00% |
| Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses <sup>(a)</sup>  | 1.00% |

<sup>(</sup>a) This table does not reflect the application of the management fee waiver discussed in the section of this Prospectus entitled "Investment Management," pursuant to which the Manager (defined below) has agreed to waive, on a voluntary basis, a portion of the management fee of The Fairholme Fund to the extent necessary to limit the management fee paid to the Manager by The Fairholme Fund to an annual rate of 0.80% of the daily average net asset value of The Fairholme Fund ("Undertaking"). This Undertaking may be terminated by the Manager upon 60 days' written notice to The Fairholme Fund.

For more information about the management fee, see the "Investment Management" section of this Prospectus. Please note that the Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses in the table above does not correlate to the Ratio of Net Expenses to Average Net Assets found within the "Financial Highlights" section of this Prospectus, which reflects the actual operating expenses of The Fairholme Fund for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2023.

#### Example

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in The Fairholme Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds.

The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in The Fairholme Fund for the time periods indicated and then redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that The Fairholme Fund's operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

| 1 Year | 3 Years | 5 Years | 10 Years |
|--------|---------|---------|----------|
| \$102  | \$318   | \$552   | \$1,225  |

The amounts shown do not reflect the application of the Undertaking.

#### Portfolio Turnover

The Fairholme Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when The Fairholme Fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the example, affect The Fairholme Fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, The Fairholme Fund's portfolio turnover rate was 2.72% of the average value of its portfolio.

# **Principal Investment Strategies**

Fairholme Capital Management, L.L.C. (the "Manager"), the investment adviser to The Fairholme Fund, attempts, under normal circumstances, to achieve The Fairholme Fund's investment objective by investing in a focused portfolio of equity and fixed-income securities. The proportion of The Fairholme Fund's assets invested in each type of asset class will vary from time to time based upon the Manager's assessment of general market and economic conditions. The Fairholme Fund may invest in, and may shift frequently among, asset classes and market sectors.

The equity securities in which The Fairholme Fund may invest include common and preferred stock (including convertible preferred stock), interests in publicly traded partnerships ("PTPs"), business trust shares, depository receipts, rights and warrants to subscribe for the purchase of equity securities, and interests in real estate investment trusts ("REITs").

The fixed-income securities in which The Fairholme Fund may invest include U.S. corporate debt securities, non-U.S. corporate debt securities, bank debt (including bank loans and participations), U.S. Government and agency debt securities (including U.S. Treasury bills), short-term debt obligations of foreign governments and foreign money market instruments.

The Fairholme Fund may also invest in "special situations," which are situations when the securities of a company are expected to appreciate over time due to company-specific developments rather than general business conditions or movements of the market as a whole.

The Manager uses fundamental analysis to identify certain attractive characteristics of companies. Such characteristics may include: high free cash flow yields in relation to market values and risk-free rates; sensible capital allocation policies; strong competitive positions; solid balance sheets; liquidity and leverage; stress-tested owner/managers; participation in stressed industries having reasonable prospects for recovery; potential for long-term growth; significant tangible assets in relation to enterprise values; high returns on invested equity and capital; and the production of essential services and products. The Manager defines free cash flow as the cash a company would generate annually from operations after all cash outlays necessary to maintain the business in its current condition.

Although The Fairholme Fund normally holds a focused portfolio of equity and fixed-income securities, The Fairholme Fund is not required to be fully invested in such securities and may maintain a significant portion of its total assets in cash and securities generally considered to be cash equivalents. In certain market conditions, the Manager may determine that it is appropriate for The Fairholme Fund to hold a significant cash position for an extended period of time.

The Fairholme Fund may also use other investment strategies and invest its assets in other types of investments, which are described in the section in this Prospectus entitled "Additional Information about the Funds' Investments and Risks," and in The Fairholme Fund's Statement of Additional Information ("SAI").

#### Principal Risks of Investing in The Fairholme Fund

General/Market Risks. The market values of securities or other investments that The Fairholme Fund holds may fall, sometimes rapidly or unpredictably, or fail to rise for various reasons including changes or potential or perceived changes in U.S. or foreign economies, financial markets, interest rates, tax rates, the liquidity of investments and other factors including terrorism, war, regional and global conflicts, natural disasters and public health events and crises, including disease/virus outbreaks and epidemics. The resulting short-term and long-term effects and consequences of such events and factors on global and local economies and specific countries, regions, businesses, industries, and companies cannot necessarily be foreseen or predicted. From time to time, certain market segments (such as equity or fixed income), investment styles (such as growth or value), or other investment categories, may fall out of favor which may impair the value of an investment in The Fairholme Fund. An investment in The Fairholme Fund could lose money over short or long periods.

**Equity Risk.** The Fairholme Fund is subject to the risk that stock and other equity security prices may fall over short or extended periods of time. Historically, the equity markets have moved in cycles, and the value of The Fairholme Fund's equity securities may fluctuate drastically from day to day. Individual companies may report poor results or be negatively affected by industry and/or economic trends and developments. The prices of securities issued by such companies may suffer a decline in response. These factors contribute to price volatility.

**Small- to Medium-Capitalization Risk.** Investments in small- and mid-capitalization companies may be more volatile than investments in large-capitalization companies. Investments in small- to mid-cap companies may have additional risks because, among other things, these companies have limited product lines, markets or financial resources.

Focused Portfolio and Non-Diversification Risks. The Fairholme Fund may have more volatility and is considered to have more risk than a fund that invests in securities of a greater number of issuers because changes in the value of a single issuer's security may have a more significant effect, either negative or positive, on The Fairholme Fund's net asset value ("NAV"). To the extent that The Fairholme Fund invests its assets in the securities of fewer issuers, The Fairholme Fund will be subject to greater risk of loss if any of those securities decreases in value or becomes impaired. To the extent that The Fairholme Fund's investments are focused in a particular issuer, region, country, market, industry, asset class or other category, The Fairholme

Fund may be susceptible to loss due to adverse occurrences affecting that issuer, region, country, market, industry, asset class or other category. As of March 15, 2024, the securities of a single company comprised a substantial portion (over 75%) of The Fairholme Fund's assets, which increases risks to The Fairholme Fund. The returns of The Fairholme Fund are tied to a significant extent to the performance of such securities.

Control and Substantial Positions Risk. The Fairholme Fund may invest in the securities of a company for the purpose of affecting the management or control of the company or may have or acquire a substantial position in the securities of a company, subject to applicable legal restrictions with respect to the investment. Such an investment imposes additional risks for The Fairholme Fund other than a possible decline in the value of the investment. These additional risks include: the application of statutory, regulatory and other requirements to The Fairholme Fund, or to the Manager and its affiliates, could restrict activities contemplated by The Fairholme Fund, or by the Manager and its affiliates, with respect to a portfolio company or limit the time and the manner in which The Fairholme Fund is able to dispose of its holdings or hedge such holdings; The Fairholme Fund, or the Manager and its affiliates, may be required to obtain relief from the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") or its staff prior to engaging in certain activities with respect to a portfolio company that could be deemed a joint arrangement under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"); The Fairholme Fund may incur substantial expenses and costs when taking control or other substantial positions in a company, including paying market prices for securities whose value The Fairholme Fund is required to discount when computing the NAV of The Fairholme Fund's shares, and there is no guarantee that such expenses and costs can be recouped; and The Fairholme Fund could be exposed to various legal claims by governmental entities, or by a portfolio company, its security holders and its creditors, arising from, among other things, The Fairholme Fund's status as an insider or control person of a portfolio company or from the Manager's designation of directors to serve on the board of directors of a portfolio company.

**Industry/Sector Risk.** To the extent The Fairholme Fund invests or maintains a significant portion of its assets in one or more issuers in a particular industry or industry sector, The Fairholme Fund will be subject to a greater degree to the risks particular to that industry or industry sector. Market or economic factors affecting issuers in that industry, group of related industries or sector could have a major effect on the value of The Fairholme Fund's investments and NAV. As of March 15, 2024, the securities of an issuer in the real estate sector comprised a substantial portion of The Fairholme Fund's assets. This investment exposes The Fairholme Fund to the risks of the real estate and real estate related sectors generally, and of that issuer, including risks relating to real estate investments and development in Northwest Florida, hospitality, and forestry. In this regard, the securities of a single real estate related issuer or a group of real estate issuers may underperform the market as a whole due to legislative or regulatory changes, adverse market conditions and/or increased competition affecting the real estate sector.

**Inflation Risk.** This is the risk that the value of assets or income from investments will be less in the future as inflation decreases the value of money. As inflation increases, the value of The Fairholme Fund's assets can decline as can the value of The Fairholme Fund's distributions. This risk increases as The Fairholme Fund invests a greater portion of its assets in fixed-income securities with longer maturities.

**Special Situation Risk.** Investments in special situations may involve greater risks when compared to The Fairholme Fund's other strategies due to a variety of factors. Mergers, reorganizations, liquidations or recapitalizations may fail or not be completed on the terms originally contemplated, and expected developments may not occur in a timely manner, or at all.

**Cash Position Risk.** To the extent that The Fairholme Fund holds large positions in cash or cash equivalents, there is a risk of lower returns and potential lost opportunities to participate in market appreciation.

**Interest Rate Risk.** Changes in interest rates will affect the value of investments in fixed-income securities. When interest rates rise, the value of existing investments in fixed-income securities tends to fall and this decrease in value may not be offset by higher income from new investments. Interest rate risk is generally greater for fixed-income securities with longer maturities or durations. The Fairholme Fund may be subject to a greater risk of rising interest rates than would normally be the case due to the recent end of a period of historically low rates and the effects of potential central bank monetary policy, and government fiscal policy, initiatives and market reactions to those initiatives.

Illiquid Investments Risk. The Fairholme Fund's investments are subject to illiquid investments risk. This is the risk that the market for a security or other investment cannot accommodate an order to buy or sell the security or other investment in the desired timeframe, possibly preventing The Fairholme Fund from selling these securities at an advantageous price. This risk includes the risk that legal or contractual restrictions on the resale of a security may affect The Fairholme Fund's ability to sell the security when deemed appropriate or necessary by the Manager. Derivatives and securities involving substantial market and credit risk tend to involve greater illiquid investments risk, and, in certain circumstances, illiquid investments risk may be greater for a particular security as a result of, among other things, changes in the markets relating to that security, increased selling of the security by market participants or increases in the size of the holding relative to other fund holdings or to the issuer's total issuance. Over recent years illiquid investments risk has increased because the capacity of dealers in the secondary market to make markets in securities has decreased, even as overall markets have grown significantly, due to, among other things, structural changes, additional regulatory requirements and capital and risk restraints that have led to reduced inventories.

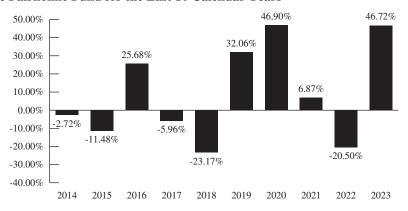
Illiquid investments risk may be higher in a rising interest rate environment, when the value and liquidity of fixed-income securities generally decline. This risk also includes the risk that trading on an exchange may be halted because of market conditions.

An investment in The Fairholme Fund is not a deposit of a bank and is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency. Further discussion about other risks of investing in The Fairholme Fund may be found in the section in this Prospectus entitled "Additional Information about the Funds' Investments and Risks," and in The Fairholme Fund's SAI.

#### **Past Performance**

The bar chart and table set out below show The Fairholme Fund's historical performance and provide some indication of the risks of investing in The Fairholme Fund by showing changes in The Fairholme Fund's performance from year to year and by showing how The Fairholme Fund's average annual total returns for the 1-, 5-, and 10-year periods and since inception compare to the performance of the S&P 500 Index. The S&P 500 Index is a widely recognized, unmanaged index of 500 of the largest companies in the United States as measured by market capitalization. The S&P 500 Index assumes reinvestment of all dividends and distributions. Because indices cannot be invested in directly, these index returns do not reflect a deduction for fees, expenses or taxes. The Fairholme Fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how The Fairholme Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information for The Fairholme Fund may be obtained by calling 1-866-202-2263.

#### Annual Returns for The Fairholme Fund for the Last 10 Calendar Years



Best Quarter – 4th Qtr 2020: +51.40%

Worst Quarter – 2nd Qtr 2022: -28.04%

#### Average Annual Total Returns for The Fairholme Fund (for the periods ended December 31, 2023)

| Portfolio Returns  | 1 Year | 5 Years | 10 Years | Since Inception<br>(12/29/1999) |
|--|--------|---------|----------|---------------------------------|
| Return Before Taxes  | 46.72% | 19.32%  | 6.58%    | 10.26%                          |
| Return After Taxes on Distributions  | 46.58% | 19.21%  | 4.91%    | 9.20%                           |
| Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of The Fairholme<br>Fund Shares | 27.76% | 15.73%  | 4.57%    | 8.60%                           |
| S&P 500 Index (reflects no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes)            | 26.29% | 15.69%  | 12.03%   | 7.05%                           |

The theoretical "after-tax" returns shown in the table are calculated using the highest historical individual federal marginal income tax rates, and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. **Your actual "after-tax" returns depend on your personal tax situation and may differ from the returns shown above**. Also, "after-tax" return information is not relevant to shareholders who hold The Fairholme Fund shares through tax-deferred arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts ("IRAs"). The "after-tax" returns shown in the table reflect past tax effects and are not predictive of future tax effects.

In addition to the assumptions in the preceding paragraph, the calculation for the average annual total return after taxes on distributions and sale of The Fairholme Fund shares assumes that an investor would have been able to immediately utilize the

full realized loss to reduce his or her federal tax liability. However, actual individual tax results may vary and investors should consult their tax advisors regarding their personal tax situations.

#### **Investment Adviser**

Fairholme Capital Management, L.L.C., the Manager, provides investment advisory services to The Fairholme Fund.

#### Portfolio Manager

Bruce R. Berkowitz, Chief Investment Officer of the Manager, and the President and a Director of Fairholme Funds, Inc. (the "Company"), has been The Fairholme Fund's lead portfolio manager since The Fairholme Fund's inception. Mr. Berkowitz is responsible for the day-to-day management of The Fairholme Fund's portfolio.

#### Purchase and Sale of The Fairholme Fund Shares

Purchases of shares of The Fairholme Fund are subject to the following minimum investment amounts (which may be waived by the Manager in its discretion):

| Minimum Investment<br>To Open Account                                 | \$10,000 \$6,000 for Regular Accounts for IRAs  |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|
| Minimum Subsequent Investment (Non-Automatic Investment Plan Members) | \$1,000 for Regular Accounts and IRAs   |  |  |
| Minimum Subsequent Investment<br>(Automatic Investment Plan Members)  | \$250 per month minimum (\$100 per month minimum for The Fairholme Fund shareholders who became AIP members prior to September 1, 2008) |  |  |

Shareholders eligible to purchase shares of The Fairholme Fund may do so through their financial intermediaries or by contacting The Fairholme Fund: (i) by telephone at 1-866-202-2263; (ii) by mail addressed to Fairholme Funds, Inc., P.O. Box 534443, Pittsburgh, PA 15253-4443; or (iii) by overnight delivery addressed to Fairholme Funds, Inc., Attention: 534443, 500 Ross Street, 154-0520, Pittsburgh, PA 15262; or (iv) online at www.fairholmefunds.com.

The Fairholme Fund reserves the right to limit the sale of shares to new investors and existing shareholders at any time. The Fairholme Fund may reject any order to purchase shares, and may withdraw the offering of shares at any time to any or all investors.

Shareholders may redeem shares of The Fairholme Fund through their financial intermediaries or by contacting The Fairholme Fund: (i) by telephone at 1-866-202-2263; (ii) by mail addressed to Fairholme Funds, Inc., P.O. Box 534443, Pittsburgh, PA 15253-4443; (iii) by overnight delivery addressed to Fairholme Funds, Inc., Attention: 534443, 500 Ross Street, 154-0520, Pittsburgh, PA 15262; or (iv) online at www.fairholmefunds.com.

### Tax Information for The Fairholme Fund

The Fairholme Fund intends to make distributions that may be taxed as ordinary income or capital gains.

# Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

If you purchase shares of The Fairholme Fund through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), The Fairholme Fund and its related companies may pay the intermediary for certain administrative and shareholder servicing functions. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary to recommend The Fairholme Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

# THE FAIRHOLME FOCUSED INCOME FUND ("The Income Fund")

# **Investment Objective**

The Income Fund seeks current income.

# Fees and Expenses of the Fund

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| SHAREHOLDER FEES (Fees Paid Directly From Your Investment)   |      |
|--|------|
| Maximum Sales Charge (Load) Imposed on Purchases (as a percentage of offering price)                 | None |
| Maximum Deferred Sales Charge (Load) (as a percentage of amount redeemed)                            | None |
| Maximum Sales Charge (Load) Imposed on Reinvested Dividends and Other Distributions (as a percentage |      |
| of amount reinvested)  | None |

| ANNUAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES (Expenses That You Pay Each Year As A Percentage Of The Value Of Your Investment In The Income Fund) |       |
|---|-------|
| Management Fees   | 1.00% |
| Distribution (12b-1) Fees   | None  |
| Other Expenses  | 0.00% |
| Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses   | 0.02% |
| Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses <sup>(a)</sup>   | 1.02% |

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For more information about the management fee, see the "Investment Management" section of this Prospectus. "Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses" are those fees and expenses incurred indirectly by The Income Fund as a result of The Income Fund's investing in securities issued by one or more investment companies, including money market funds. Please note that the Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses in the table above does not correlate to the Ratio of Net Expenses to Average Net Assets found within the "Financial Highlights" section of this Prospectus, which reflects the actual operating expenses of The Income Fund for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2023.

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affect The Income Fund's performance. During the most recent fiscal year, The Income Fund's portfolio turnover rate was 53.48% of the average value of its portfolio.

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Focused Portfolio and Non-Diversification Risks. The Income Fund may have more volatility and is considered to have more risk than a fund that invests in securities of a greater number of issuers because changes in the value of a single issuer's securities may have a more significant effect, either negative or positive, on the net asset value ("NAV") of The Income Fund. To the extent that The Income Fund invests its assets in the securities of fewer issuers, The Income Fund will be subject to greater risk of loss if any of those securities decreases in value or becomes impaired. To the extent that The Income Fund's investments are focused in a particular issuer, region, country, market, industry, asset class or other category, The Income Fund may be susceptible to loss due to adverse occurrences affecting that issuer, region, country, market, industry, asset class or other category.

**Equity Risk.** The Income Fund is subject to the risk that stock and other equity security prices may fall over short or extended periods of time. Historically, the equity markets have moved in cycles, and the value of The Income Fund's equity securities may fluctuate drastically from day to day. Individual companies may report poor results or be negatively affected by industry and/or economic trends and developments. The prices of securities issued by such companies may suffer a decline in response. These factors contribute to price volatility.

**Industry/Sector Risk.** To the extent The Income Fund invests or maintains a significant portion of its assets in one or more issuers in a particular industry or industry sector, The Income Fund will be subject to a greater degree to the risks particular to that industry or industry sector. Market or economic factors affecting issuers in that industry, group of related industries or sector could have a major effect on the value of The Income Fund's investments and NAV. The Income Fund has invested in the securities of issuers in the oil and gas sectors, which include storage, transportation and exploration services. These investments expose The Income Fund to the risks of the oil and gas sectors generally, and of those issuers, including changes in regulations; fluctuations in commodity prices and interest rates; changes in supply and demand for energy products; depletion of resources; development of alternative energy sources; extreme weather conditions and natural disasters; and terrorist attacks.

Publicly Traded Partnership Risk. The Income Fund invests in PTPs, which are limited partnerships the interests in which (called "units") are traded on public exchanges. PTPs are subject to the risks associated with their underlying assets or operating companies, which typically include assets or companies in the oil and gas sectors. PTPs are also subject to tax risk, as PTPs typically receive pass-through tax treatment and would be adversely affected if they were to lose such status. Losses from a PTP are generally considered passive and cannot offset income other than income or gains relating to the same entity. In addition, The Income Fund generally will be required to include its allocable share of the PTP's net income in its taxable income, regardless of whether the PTP distributes cash to The Income Fund. The Income Fund's recognition of taxable income from an investment in a PTP without receiving cash distributions from the PTP could adversely affect The Income Fund's ability to meet its minimum distribution requirements. In order to generate sufficient cash to make the requisite distributions, The Income Fund may need to sell securities in its portfolio (including when it is not advantageous to do so) that it otherwise would have continued to hold. The Income Fund's investment in a PTP may at other times result in The Income Fund's receipt of nontaxable cash distributions from the PTP; if The Income Fund distributes such amounts, such distribution could constitute a return of capital to shareholders for federal income tax purposes, which would reduce a shareholder's tax basis in his or her shares and ultimately increase the amount of gain or reduce the amount of loss realized by a shareholder on a sale of shares. Other risks of investments in PTPs may include, among others, potential lack of liquidity of PTP units, interest rate risk, limitations on the unitholder's voting and distribution rights, potential conflicts of interest between a PTP and its general partner, and the possibility of the PTP's general partner requiring unitholders to sell their units at an undesirable price or time.

**Cash Position Risk.** To the extent that The Income Fund holds large positions in cash or cash equivalents, there is a risk of lower returns and potential lost opportunities to participate in market appreciation.

**Interest Rate Risk.** Changes in interest rates will affect the value of investments in fixed-income securities. When interest rates rise, the value of existing investments in fixed-income securities tends to fall and this decrease in value may not be offset by higher income from new investments. Interest rate risk is generally greater for fixed-income securities with longer maturities or durations. The Income Fund may be subject to a greater risk of rising interest rates than would normally be the case due to the recent end of a period of historically low rates and the effects of potential central bank monetary policy, and government fiscal policy, initiatives and market reactions to those initiatives.

**Inflation Risk.** This is the risk that the value of assets or income from investments will be less in the future as inflation decreases the value of money. As inflation increases, the value of The Income Fund's assets can decline as can the value of The Income Fund's distributions. This risk increases as The Income Fund invests a greater portion of its assets in fixed-income securities with longer maturities.

Illiquid Investments Risk. The Income Fund's investments are subject to illiquid investments risk. This is the risk that the market for a security or other investment cannot accommodate an order to buy or sell the security or other investment in the desired timeframe, possibly preventing The Income Fund from selling these securities at an advantageous price. This risk includes the risk that legal or contractual restrictions on the resale of a security may affect The Income Fund's ability to sell the security when deemed appropriate or necessary by the Manager. Derivatives and securities involving substantial market and credit risk tend to involve greater illiquid investments risk. Over recent years illiquid investments risk has increased because the capacity of dealers in the secondary market to make markets in securities has decreased, even as overall markets have grown significantly, due to, among other things, structural changes, additional regulatory requirements and capital and risk restraints that have led to reduced inventories. Illiquid investments risk may be higher in a rising interest rate environment, when the value and liquidity of fixed-income securities generally decline, and, in certain circumstances, illiquid investments risk may be greater for a particular security as a result of, among other things, changes in the markets relating to that security, increased selling of the security by market participants or increases in the size of the holding relative to other fund holdings or to the issuer's total issuance. Market turbulence and volatility in the U.S. and non-U.S. financial markets may increase the risks associated with an investment in The Income Fund. This risk also includes the risk that trading on an exchange may be halted because of market conditions.

**Small- to Medium-Capitalization Risk.** Investments in small- and mid-capitalization companies may be more volatile than investments in large-capitalization companies. Investments in small- to mid-cap companies may have additional risks because, among other things, these companies have limited product lines, markets or financial resources.

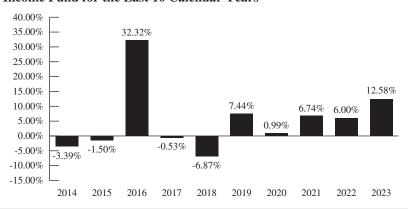
An investment in The Income Fund is not a deposit of a bank and is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency. Further discussion about other risks of investing in The Income Fund may be found in the section in this Prospectus entitled "Additional Information about the Funds' Investments and Risks," and in The Income Fund's SAI.

### **Past Performance**

The bar chart and table set out below show The Income Fund's historical performance, and provide some indication of the risks of investing in The Income Fund by showing changes in The Income Fund's performance from year to year and by showing how The Income Fund's average annual total returns for the 1-, 5-, and 10-year periods and since inception compare to the

performance of the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index. The Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index is a broad-based flagship benchmark that measures the investment grade, U.S. dollar-denominated, fixed-rate taxable bond market. The index includes Treasuries, government-related and corporate securities, fixed-rate agency mortgage-backed securities, asset-backed securities and commercial mortgage-backed securities (agency and non-agency). Because indices cannot be invested in directly, these index returns do not reflect a deduction for fees, expenses or taxes. The Income Fund's past performance (before and after taxes) is not necessarily an indication of how The Income Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information for The Income Fund may be obtained by calling 1-866-202-2263.

#### Annual Returns of The Income Fund for the Last 10 Calendar Years



Best Quarter - 4th Qtr 2016: +14.96%

Worst Quarter - 4th Qtr 2015: -9.66%

### Average Annual Total Returns for The Income Fund (for the periods ended December 31, 2023)

| Portfolio Returns   | 1 Year | 5 Years | 10 Years | Since Inception (12/31/2009) |
|---|--------|---------|----------|------------------------------|
| Return Before Taxes   | 12.58% | 6.68%   | 4.89%    | 6.55%                        |
| Return After Taxes on Distributions   | 11.33% | 5.98%   | 3.48%    | 4.80%                        |
| Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of The Income Fund Shares                  | 7.48%  | 4.96%   | 3.24%    | 4.49%                        |
| Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index (reflects no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes) | 5.53%  | 1.10%   | 1.81%    | 2.45%                        |

The theoretical "after-tax" returns shown in the table are calculated using the highest historical individual federal marginal income tax rates, and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. **Your actual "after-tax" returns depend on your personal tax situation and may differ from the returns shown above**. Also, "after-tax" return information is not relevant to shareholders who hold shares of The Income Fund through tax-deferred arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts ("IRAs"). The "after-tax" returns shown in the table reflect past tax effects and are not predictive of future tax effects.

In addition to the assumptions in the preceding paragraph, the calculation for the average annual total return after taxes on distributions and sale of The Income Fund shares assumes that an investor would have been able to immediately utilize the full realized loss to reduce his or her federal tax liability. However, actual individual tax results may vary and investors should consult their tax advisors regarding their personal tax situations.

#### **Investment Adviser**

Fairholme Capital Management, L.L.C., the Manager, provides investment advisory services to The Income Fund.

# Portfolio Manager

Bruce R. Berkowitz, Chief Investment Officer of the Manager, and the President and a Director of Fairholme Funds, Inc. (the "Company"), has been The Income Fund's lead portfolio manager since The Income Fund's inception. Mr. Berkowitz is responsible for the day-to-day management of The Income Fund's portfolio.

#### **Purchase and Sale of The Income Fund Shares**

Purchases of shares of The Income Fund are subject to the following minimum investment amounts (which may be waived by the Manager in its discretion):

| Minimum Investment<br>To Open Account                                 | \$10,000 \$6,000 for Regular Accounts for IRAs |  |
|---|--|--|
| Minimum Subsequent Investment (Non-Automatic Investment Plan Members) | \$1,000 for Regular Accounts and IRAs          |  |
| Minimum Subsequent Investment (Automatic Investment Plan Members)     | \$250 per month minimum                        |  |

Shareholders eligible to purchase shares of The Income Fund may do so through their financial intermediaries or by contacting The Income Fund: (i) by telephone at 1-866-202-2263; or (ii) by mail addressed to Fairholme Funds, Inc., P.O. Box 534443, Pittsburgh, PA 15253-4443; (iii) by overnight delivery addressed to Fairholme Funds, Inc., Attention: 534443, 500 Ross Street, 154-0520, Pittsburgh, PA 15262; or (iv) online at www.fairholmefunds.com.

The Income Fund reserves the right to limit the sale of shares to new investors and existing shareholders at any time. The Income Fund may reject any order to purchase shares, and may withdraw the offering of shares at any time to any or all investors.

Shareholders may redeem shares of The Income Fund through their financial intermediaries or by contacting The Income Fund: (i) by telephone at 1-866-202-2263; (ii) by mail addressed to Fairholme Funds, Inc., P.O. Box 534443, Pittsburgh, PA 15253-4443; (iii) by overnight delivery addressed to Fairholme Funds, Inc., Attention: 534443, 500 Ross Street, 154-0520, Pittsburgh, PA 15262; or (iv) online at www.fairholmefunds.com.

#### Tax Information for The Income Fund

The Income Fund intends to make distributions that may be taxed as ordinary income or capital gains.

### Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

If you purchase shares of The Income Fund through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), The Income Fund and its related companies may pay the intermediary for certain administrative and shareholder servicing functions. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary to recommend The Income Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE FUNDS' INVESTMENTS AND RISKS

This section of the Prospectus provides additional information about the investment practices and related risks, including principal and non-principal strategies and risks, of The Fairholme Fund and The Income Fund (each a "Fund" and together, the "Funds").

#### THE FAIRHOLME FUND

#### **Investment Objective and Investment Strategies**

The Fairholme Fund's investment objective is long-term growth of capital. The Fairholme Fund's investment objective is fundamental and may be changed only with the approval of a majority of the outstanding voting securities of the Fund as defined in the 1940 Act.

The Manager attempts, under normal circumstances, to achieve The Fairholme Fund's investment objective by investing in a focused portfolio of equity and fixed-income securities. The proportion of The Fairholme Fund's assets invested in each type of asset class will vary from time to time based upon the Manager's assessment of general market and economic conditions. The Fairholme Fund may invest in, and may shift frequently among, the asset classes and market sectors.

The equity securities in which The Fairholme Fund may invest include common and preferred stock (including convertible preferred stock), interests in PTPs, business trust shares, interests in REITs, rights and warrants to subscribe for the purchase of equity securities, and depository receipts. The Fairholme Fund may invest in equity securities without regard to the jurisdictions in which the issuers of the securities are organized or situated and without regard to the market capitalizations or sectors of such issuers.

The fixed-income securities in which The Fairholme Fund may invest include U.S. corporate debt securities, non-U.S. corporate debt securities, bank debt (including bank loans and participations), U.S. Government and agency debt securities (including U.S. Treasury bills), short-term debt obligations of foreign governments, and foreign money market instruments. Except for its investments in short-term debt obligations of foreign governments, The Fairholme Fund may invest in fixed-income securities regardless of the maturity or the rating of the issuer of the security. The Fairholme Fund's investments in short-term debt obligations of foreign governments will generally have a maturity of six months or less and a credit rating of "A" or better by S&P Global Ratings ("S&P") or a similar rating by another NRSRO.

The Manager uses fundamental analysis to identify certain attractive characteristics of companies. Such characteristics may include: high free cash flow yields in relation to market values and risk-free rates; sensible capital allocation policies; strong competitive positions; solid balance sheets; stress-tested owners/managers; participation in stressed industries having reasonable prospects for recovery; potential for long-term growth; significant tangible assets in relation to enterprise values; high returns on invested equity and capital; and the production of essential services and products. The Manager defines free cash flow as the cash a company would generate annually from operations after all cash outlays necessary to maintain the business in its current condition.

The Fairholme Fund also may invest in "special situations" to achieve its objective. A special situation arises when the securities of a company are expected to appreciate over time due to company-specific developments rather than general business conditions or movements of the market as a whole. Such developments and situations include liquidations, reorganizations, recapitalizations, mergers, management changes, and technological developments. Investments in special situations may include equity securities or fixed-income securities, such as corporate debt, which may be in a distressed position as a result of economic or company specific developments. "Special situation" investments may include high yield fixed-income securities (or "junk bonds") (i.e., securities that are rated below investment grade by S&P or by another NRSRO or similar unrated securities).

Subject to applicable legal restrictions, The Fairholme Fund may invest in securities of an issuer for the purpose of affecting the management or control of the issuer or may have or acquire a substantial position in the securities of an issuer, although it is not the intention of The Fairholme Fund or the Manager to unilaterally control any issuer. The Fairholme Fund may obtain a controlling or other substantial position in a public or private company.

Although The Fairholme Fund normally holds a focused portfolio of equity and fixed-income securities, The Fairholme Fund is not required to be fully invested in such securities and maintains from time to time a significant portion of its total assets in cash and securities generally considered to be cash equivalents, including U.S. Government securities, money market funds, commercial paper, repurchase agreements, and other high quality money market instruments. Commercial paper may be rated by one or more NRSROs, such as Moody's or S&P, or may be unrated. The Manager may invest in commercial paper without regard to the rating. Information about the commercial paper ratings of the NRSROs can be found in Appendix A.

From time to time, cash and cash reserves may also include foreign securities, including short-term obligations of foreign governments or other high quality foreign money market instruments. The Fairholme Fund believes that a certain amount of liquidity in The Fairholme Fund's portfolio is desirable both to meet operating requirements and to take advantage of new investment opportunities. Under adverse market conditions or when The Fairholme Fund is unable to find sufficient investments meeting its criteria, cash and cash reserves may comprise a significant percentage of The Fairholme Fund's total assets, a situation which may exist for extended periods of time. When The Fairholme Fund holds a significant portion of assets in cash and cash reserves, it may not meet its investment objective.

The Fairholme Fund may also use other investment strategies and may invest its assets in other types of investments, which are described in the SAI.

#### Risks of Investing in The Fairholme Fund

General/Market Risks. All investments are subject to inherent risks, and investments in The Fairholme Fund are no exception. The market values of securities or other investments that The Fairholme Fund holds may fall, sometimes rapidly or unpredictably, or fail to rise for various reasons including changes or potential or perceived changes in U.S. or foreign economies, financial markets, interest rates, tax rates, the liquidity of investments and other factors including terrorism, war, regional and global conflicts, natural disasters and public health events and crises, including disease/virus outbreaks and epidemics. The resulting short-term and long-term effects and consequences of such events and factors on global and local economies and specific countries, regions, businesses, industries, and companies cannot necessarily be foreseen or predicted. From time to time, certain market segments (such as equity or fixed income), investment styles (such as growth or value), or other investment categories, may fall out of favor which may impair the value of an investment in The Fairholme Fund. An investment in The Fairholme Fund could lose money over short or long periods. When you sell your shares, they may be worth less than what you paid for them because the value of The Fairholme Fund's investments will fluctuate, reflecting day-to-day changes in market conditions, interest rates, and numerous other factors.

**Equity Risk.** The Fairholme Fund is subject to the risk that stock and other equity security prices may fall over short or extended periods of time. Historically, the equity markets have moved in cycles, and the value of The Fairholme Fund's equity securities may fluctuate significantly from day to day. Individual companies may report poor results or be negatively affected by industry and/or economic trends and developments. The prices of securities issued by such companies may suffer a decline in response. These factors contribute to price volatility.

**Small- to Medium-Capitalization Risk.** The Fairholme Fund has the ability to invest in securities of companies with small to medium market capitalizations. Such companies may be engaged in business within a narrow geographic region, be less well known to the investment community, and have more volatile share prices. Also, companies with smaller market capitalizations often lack management depth and have narrower market penetrations, less diverse product lines, and fewer resources than larger companies. Moreover, the securities of such companies often have less market liquidity and, as a result, their stock prices often react more strongly to changes in the marketplace.

**Focused Portfolio and Non-Diversification Risks.** The Fairholme Fund attempts to invest in a limited number of securities. Accordingly, The Fairholme Fund may have more volatility and is considered to have more risk than a fund that invests in a greater number of securities because changes in the value of a single security may have a more significant effect, either negative or positive, on The Fairholme Fund's NAV. To the extent that The Fairholme Fund invests its assets in fewer securities, The Fairholme Fund is subject to greater risk of loss if any of those securities becomes impaired.

The Fairholme Fund is considered to be "non-diversified" under the 1940 Act, which means that The Fairholme Fund can invest a greater percentage of its assets in the securities of fewer issuers than a diversified fund. The Fairholme Fund may also have a greater percentage of its assets invested in particular industries than a diversified fund, exposing The Fairholme Fund to the risk of unanticipated industry conditions as well as risks particular to a single company or the securities of a single company. Additionally, the NAV of a non-diversified fund generally is more volatile, and a shareholder may have a greater risk of loss if the shareholder redeems his or her shares during a period of high volatility. Lack of broad diversification also may cause The Fairholme Fund to be more susceptible to economic, political, regulatory, liquidity or other events than a diversified fund. As of March 15, 2024, the securities of a single company comprised a substantial portion (over 75%) of The Fairholme Fund's assets, which increases risks to The Fairholme Fund. The returns of The Fairholme Fund are tied to a significant extent to the performance of such securities.

Control and Substantial Positions Risk. The Fairholme Fund may invest in the securities of a company for the purpose of affecting the management or control of the company or may have or acquire a substantial position in the securities of a company, subject to applicable legal restrictions with respect to the investment. Such an investment imposes additional risks for The Fairholme Fund other than a possible decline in the value of the investment. The Fairholme Fund, individually or together with other accounts managed by the Manager, may obtain a controlling or other substantial position in a public or private company (each, a "Portfolio Company"). Should The Fairholme Fund and other accounts managed by the Manager obtain such

a position in a Portfolio Company, The Fairholme Fund and the Manager may be required to make filings with the SEC concerning holdings in the Portfolio Company. The application of statutory, regulatory and other requirements to The Fairholme Fund, or to the Manager and its affiliates, could restrict activities contemplated by The Fairholme Fund, or by the Manager and its affiliates, with respect to a Portfolio Company or limit the time and the manner in which The Fairholme Fund is able to dispose of its holdings or hedge such holdings. The Fairholme Fund, or the Manager and its affiliates, may be required to obtain relief from the SEC or its staff prior to engaging in certain activities with respect to a Portfolio Company that could be deemed a joint arrangement under the 1940 Act. The foregoing restrictions and limitations may also apply when a member of the Board of Directors of the Company (the "Board" or the "Directors") serves as a director of a Portfolio Company.

The Fairholme Fund may incur substantial expenses and costs when taking control or other substantial positions in a company, including paying market prices for securities whose value The Fairholme Fund is required to discount when computing the NAV of The Fairholme Fund's shares, and there is no guarantee that such expenses and costs can be recouped. In addition, The Fairholme Fund's investments could be frozen in minority positions and The Fairholme Fund could incur substantial losses.

The Fairholme Fund could be exposed to various legal claims by governmental entities, or by a Portfolio Company, its security holders and its creditors, arising from, among other things, The Fairholme Fund's status as an insider or control person of a Portfolio Company or from the Manager's designation of directors to serve on the board of directors of a Portfolio Company. Such legal claims may include claims that The Fairholme Fund or the Manager (as a controlling person) is liable for securities laws violations by the Portfolio Company or environmental damage or product defects caused by the Portfolio Company or failure to supervise the Portfolio Company. Such legal claims may also include claims that The Fairholme Fund, as a control person or significant shareholder of the Portfolio Company, has a fiduciary responsibility to other shareholders in connection with The Fairholme Fund's voting or investment decisions with respect to its holdings of the Portfolio Company's shares. In addition, potential conflicts of interest may arise when a Director serves on the board of directors of a Portfolio Company and when the Director receives compensation or other benefits for that service from the Portfolio Company. The Board may consider actions that are necessary to address any such conflict, including requiring the Director to recuse himself from voting on any matter to which the conflict relates.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, neither The Fairholme Fund nor the Manager intends to have unilateral control of any Portfolio Company, and neither may be able to control the timing or occurrence of an exit strategy from any Portfolio Company.

**Industry/Sector Risk.** To the extent The Fairholme Fund invests or maintains a significant portion of its assets in one or more issuers in a particular industry or industry sector, The Fairholme Fund will be subject to a greater degree to the risks particular to that industry or industry sector. Market or economic factors affecting issuers in that industry, group of related industries or sector could have a major effect on the value of The Fairholme Fund's investments and NAV. As of March 15, 2024, the securities of an issuer in the real estate sector comprised a substantial portion of The Fairholme Fund's assets. This investment exposes The Fairholme Fund to the risks of the real estate and real estate related sectors generally, and of that issuer, including risks relating to real estate investments and development in Northwest Florida, hospitality, and forestry. (Additional information regarding this issuer is available in its annual report and financial statements.) In this regard, the securities of a single real estate related issuer or a group of real estate issuers may underperform the market as a whole due to legislative or regulatory changes, adverse market conditions and/or increased competition affecting the real estate sector.

**Publicly Traded Partnership Risk.** The Fairholme Fund invests in PTPs, which are limited partnerships the interests in which (called "units") are traded on public exchanges. PTPs are subject to the risks associated with their underlying assets or operating companies, which typically include assets or companies in the oil and gas sectors. PTPs are also subject to tax risk, as PTPs typically receive pass-through tax treatment and would be adversely affected if they were to lose such status. Losses from a PTP are generally considered passive and cannot offset income other than income or gains relating to the same entity. In addition, The Fairholme Fund generally will be required to include its allocable share of the PTP's net income in its taxable income, regardless of whether the PTP distributes cash to The Fairholme Fund. The Fairholme Fund's recognition of taxable income from an investment in a PTP without receiving cash distributions from the PTP could adversely affect The Fairholme Fund's ability to meet its minimum distribution requirements. In order to generate sufficient cash to make the requisite distributions, The Fairholme Fund may need to sell securities in its portfolio (including when it is not advantageous to do so) that it otherwise would have continued to hold. The Fairholme Fund's investment in a PTP may at other times result in The Fairholme Fund's receipt of nontaxable cash distributions from the PTP; if The Fairholme Fund distributes such amounts, such distribution could constitute a return of capital to shareholders for federal income tax purposes, which would reduce a shareholder's tax basis in his or her shares and ultimately increase the amount of gain or reduce the amount of loss realized by a shareholder on a sale of shares. Other risks of investments in PTPs may include, among others, potential lack of liquidity of PTP units, interest rate risk, limitations on the unitholder's voting and distribution rights, potential conflicts of interest between a PTP and its general partner, and the possibility of the PTP's general partner requiring unitholders to sell their units at an undesirable price or time.

**Special Situation Risk.** Investments in special situations may involve greater risks when compared to The Fairholme Fund's other strategies due to a variety of factors. Mergers, reorganizations, liquidations or recapitalizations may not be completed on

the terms originally contemplated, or may fail. Expected developments may not occur in a timely manner, or at all. Transactions may take longer than originally anticipated, resulting in lower annualized returns than contemplated at the time of investment. Furthermore, failure to anticipate changes in the circumstances affecting these types of investments may result in permanent loss of capital, where The Fairholme Fund may be unable to recoup some or all of its investment or expenses in connection with the investment.

Cash Position Risk. To the extent that The Fairholme Fund holds large positions in cash or cash equivalents, it may lose opportunities to participate in market appreciation, which may result in lower returns than if The Fairholme Fund were fully invested in the market. In addition, cash and cash equivalents may negatively affect the Fund's performance and ability to achieve its investment objective.

Interest Rate Risk. Changes in interest rates will affect the value of investments in fixed-income securities. When interest rates rise, the value of existing investments in fixed-income securities tends to fall and this decrease in value may not be offset by higher income from new investments. Interest rate risk is generally greater for fixed-income securities with longer maturities or durations, but increasing interest rates may have an adverse effect on the value of The Fairholme Fund's investment portfolio as a whole, as investors and markets adjust expected returns relative to such increasing rates. An economic downturn or period of rising interest rates could have a negative impact on the market for fixed-income securities and reduce The Fairholme Fund's ability to sell them, which, in turn, could negatively impact the performance of The Fairholme Fund. Potential future changes in government monetary policy may affect interest rate levels. The Fairholme Fund may be subject to a greater risk of rising interest rates than would normally be the case due to the recent end of a period of historically low rates and the effects of potential central bank monetary policy, and government fiscal policy, initiatives and market reactions to those initiatives.

Credit Risk. The Fairholme Fund's investments are subject to credit risk. An issuer's credit quality depends on its ability to pay interest on and repay its debt and other obligations. Defaulted securities (or those expected to default) are subject to additional risks in that the securities may become subject to a plan or reorganization that can diminish or eliminate their value. The credit risk of a security may also depend on the credit quality of any bank or financial institution that provides credit enhancement for the security. Changes in economic, tax and regulatory policies, interest rates, inflation rates and government instability, war or other political or economic actions or factors may have an adverse effect on the investments of The Fairholme Fund. The degree of risk for a particular security may be reflected in its credit rating. There is the possibility that the credit rating of a fixed-income security may be downgraded after purchase, which may adversely affect the value of the security. Investments in fixed-income securities with lower ratings tend to have a higher probability that an issuer will default or fail to meet its payment obligations. The Manager does not rely solely on third party credit ratings to select The Fairholme Fund's portfolio securities.

Illiquid Investments Risk. The Fairholme Fund's investments are subject to illiquid investments risk. This is the risk that the market for a security or other investment cannot accommodate an order to buy or sell the security or other investment in the desired timeframe, possibly preventing The Fairholme Fund from selling these securities at an advantageous price. This risk includes the risk that legal or contractual restrictions on the resale of a security may affect The Fairholme Fund's ability to sell the security when deemed appropriate or necessary by the Manager. Derivatives and securities involving substantial market and credit risk tend to involve greater illiquid investments risk, and, in certain circumstances, illiquid investments risk may be greater for a particular security as a result of, among other things, changes in the markets relating to that security, increased selling of the security by market participants or increases in the size of the holding relative to other fund holdings or to the issuer's total issuance. Over recent years illiquid investments risk has increased because the capacity of dealers in the secondary market to make markets in securities has decreased, even as overall markets have grown significantly, due to, among other things, structural changes, additional regulatory requirements and capital and risk restraints that have led to reduced inventories. Illiquid investments risk may be higher in a rising interest rate environment, when the value and liquidity of fixed-income securities generally decline. In addition, liquid investments may become more difficult to trade or dispose of after purchase by a fund, particularly during periods of market turmoil or volatility. Investments that are difficult to trade or dispose of may, particularly in changing markets, be harder to value. This risk also includes the risk that trading on an exchange may be halted because of market conditions.

**Asset Allocation Risk.** The Fairholme Fund's investments are subject to the risk that the allocation of investments in equity and fixed-income securities may have a more significant effect on The Fairholme Fund's NAV when one of these asset classes is performing more poorly than the other.

High Yield Security Risk. Investments in fixed-income securities that are rated below investment grade by one or more NRSROs or that are unrated and are deemed to be of similar quality may be subject to greater risk of loss of principal and interest than investments in higher-rated fixed-income securities. High yield securities are also generally considered to be subject to greater market risk than higher-rated securities. The capacity of issuers of high yield securities to pay interest and repay principal is more likely to weaken than that of issuers of higher-rated securities in times of deteriorating economic conditions or rising interest rates. In addition, high yield securities may be more susceptible to real or perceived adverse economic conditions than higher-rated securities. The market for high yield securities may be less liquid than the market for

higher-rated securities. This can adversely affect The Fairholme Fund's ability to buy or sell optimal quantities of high yield securities at desired prices.

**Inflation Risk.** This is the risk that the value of assets or income from investments will be less in the future as inflation decreases the value of money. As inflation increases, the value of The Fairholme Fund's assets can decline as can the value of The Fairholme Fund's distributions. This risk increases as The Fairholme Fund invests a greater portion of its assets in fixed-income securities with longer maturities.

**Foreign Securities Risk.** Investments in foreign securities may be subject to greater political, economic, environmental, credit and information risks. The Fairholme Fund's investments in foreign securities are subject to foreign currency fluctuations. Foreign securities may be subject to higher volatility than U.S. securities, varying degrees of regulation and limited liquidity.

**Currency Risk.** The Fairholme Fund is subject to currency risk because fluctuations in the exchange rates between the U.S. dollar and foreign currencies may negatively affect the value of The Fairholme Fund's investments in foreign securities.

Commercial Paper Risk. The value of commercial paper may be affected by changes in the credit rating or financial condition of the issuing entity and tends to fall when interest rates rise and increase when interest rates fall. Maturing commercial paper issuances are usually repaid by the issuer from the proceeds of new commercial paper issuances. Consequently, investments in commercial paper are subject to the risk the issuer cannot issue enough new commercial paper or utilize other sources of cash to satisfy its outstanding commercial paper, which is also known as rollover risk.

Political, Economic and Regulatory Risk. Changes in economic and tax policies, interest rates, high inflation rates, government instability, war or other political or economic actions or factors may have an adverse effect on The Fairholme Fund's investments. Governmental and regulatory actions, including tax law changes, may have unexpected or adverse consequences on particular markets, strategies, or investments, including the liquidity of investments. These actions and other developments may impact The Fairholme Fund's ability to invest or remain invested in certain securities and other assets. Legislation or regulation may also change the way in which The Fairholme Fund itself is regulated. The Manager cannot predict the effects of any new governmental regulation that may be implemented on the ability of The Fairholme Fund to invest in certain assets, or affect the Manager's ability to access financial markets, and there can be no assurance that any new governmental regulation will not adversely affect The Fairholme Fund's ability to achieve its investment objective.

Further discussion about other risks of investing in The Fairholme Fund may be found in the SAI.

#### THE INCOME FUND

# **Investment Objective and Investment Strategies**

The Income Fund seeks current income. The Income Fund's investment objective is non-fundamental and may be changed without shareholder approval.

The Manager attempts, under normal circumstances, to achieve The Income Fund's investment objective by investing in a focused portfolio of cash distributing securities. To maintain maximum flexibility, the securities in which The Income Fund may invest include corporate bonds and other corporate debt securities of issuers in the U.S. and foreign countries, bank debt (including bank loans and participations), government and agency debt securities of the U.S. and foreign countries (including U.S. Treasury bills), convertible bonds and other convertible securities, and equity securities, including preferred and common stock, interests in PTPs, and interests in REITs. The Income Fund's securities may be rated by one or more NRSROs, such as Moody's or S&P, or may be unrated. The Manager may invest in securities for The Income Fund regardless of the maturity or the rating of the issuer of the security. The Income Fund may invest without limit in lower-rated securities (or "junk bonds"). Lower-rated securities are those rated below "Baa" by Moody's or below "BBB" by S&P or that have comparable ratings from other NRSROs or, if unrated, are determined to be comparable to lower-rated debt securities by the Manager. Additional information about the bond ratings of the NRSROs can be found in Appendix A. The Income Fund may also invest in rights or warrants, which entitle the holder to buy equity securities at a specific price for a specific period of time.

The proportion of The Income Fund's assets invested in various securities will be modified, from time to time, in accordance with the Manager's overall assessment of the investment prospects for issuers, the relative yields of securities in various market sectors, the economy, and other factors. In making investment decisions for The Income Fund, the Manager will consider many factors, including cash distribution yields, quality and liquidity.

The average maturity of The Income Fund's portfolio at any time will also depend on the Manager's overall assessment of the investment prospects for issuers, the relative yields of securities in various market sectors, the economy, and other factors. The Manager may invest in an array of securities with short, intermediate, and long maturities in varying proportions.

Subject to applicable legal restrictions, The Income Fund may obtain a controlling or other substantial position in a public or private company, although it is not the intention of The Income Fund or the Manager to unilaterally control any issuer.

Although The Income Fund normally holds a focused portfolio of securities, The Income Fund is not required to be fully invested in such securities and maintains from time to time a significant portion of its total assets in cash and securities generally considered to be cash equivalents, including U.S. Government securities, money market funds, commercial paper, repurchase agreements, and other high quality money market instruments. Commercial paper may be rated by one or more NRSROs, such as Moody's or S&P, or may be unrated. The Manager may invest in commercial paper without regard to the rating. Information about the commercial paper ratings of the NRSROs can be found in Appendix A.

From time to time, cash and cash reserves may also include foreign securities, short-term obligations of foreign governments or other high quality foreign money market instruments. The Income Fund believes that a certain amount of liquidity in its portfolio is desirable both to meet operating requirements and to take advantage of new investment opportunities. Under adverse market conditions or when The Income Fund is unable to find sufficient investments meeting its criteria, cash and cash reserves may comprise a significant percentage of The Income Fund's total assets, a situation which may exist for extended periods of time.

The Income Fund may also use other investment strategies and may invest its assets in other types of investments, which are described in the SAI.

### Risks of Investing in The Income Fund

General/Market Risks. All investments are subject to inherent risks, and investments in The Income Fund are no exception. The market values of securities or other investments that The Income Fund holds may fall, sometimes rapidly or unpredictably, or fail to rise for various reasons including changes or potential or perceived changes in U.S. or foreign economies, financial markets, interest rates, tax rates, the liquidity of investments and other factors including terrorism, war, regional and global conflicts, natural disasters and public health events and crises, including disease/virus outbreaks and epidemics. The resulting short-term and long-term effects and consequences of such events and factors on global and local economies and specific countries, regions, businesses, industries, and companies cannot necessarily be foreseen or predicted. From time to time, certain market segments (such as equity or fixed income), investment styles (such as growth or value), or other investment categories, may fall out of favor which may impair the value of an investment in The Income Fund. An investment in The Income Fund could lose money over short or long periods. When you sell your shares, they may be worth less than what you paid for them because the value of The Income Fund's investments will fluctuate, reflecting day-to-day changes in market conditions, interest rates, and numerous other factors.

**Focused Portfolio and Non-Diversification Risks.** The Income Fund attempts to invest in a limited number of securities. Accordingly, The Income Fund may have more volatility and is considered to have more risk than a fund that invests in a greater number of securities because changes in the value of a single security may have a more significant effect, either negative or positive, on The Income Fund's NAV. To the extent that The Income Fund invests its assets in fewer securities, The Income Fund is subject to greater risk of loss if any of those securities becomes impaired.

The Income Fund is considered to be "non-diversified" under the 1940 Act, which means that The Income Fund can invest a greater percentage of its assets in the securities of fewer issuers than a diversified fund. The Income Fund may also have a greater percentage of its assets invested in particular industries than a diversified fund, exposing The Income Fund to the risk of unanticipated industry conditions as well as risks particular to a single company or the securities of a single company. Additionally, the NAV of a non-diversified fund generally is more volatile, and a shareholder may have a greater risk of loss if the shareholder redeems his or her shares during a period of high volatility. Lack of broad diversification also may cause The Income Fund to be more susceptible to economic, political, regulatory, liquidity or other events than a diversified fund.

High Yield Security Risk. Investments in fixed-income securities that are rated below investment grade by one or more NRSROs or that are unrated and are deemed to be of similar quality may be subject to greater risk of loss of principal and interest than investments in higher-rated fixed-income securities. High yield securities are also generally considered to be subject to greater market risk than higher-rated securities. The capacity of issuers of high yield securities to pay interest and repay principal is more likely to weaken than that of issuers of higher-rated securities in times of deteriorating economic conditions or rising interest rates. In addition, high yield securities may be more susceptible to real or perceived adverse economic conditions than higher-rated securities. The market for high yield securities may be less liquid than the market for higher-rated securities. This can adversely affect The Income Fund's ability to buy or sell optimal quantities of high yield securities at desired prices.

Cash Position Risk. To the extent that The Income Fund holds large positions in cash or cash equivalents, it may lose opportunities to participate in market appreciation, which may result in lower returns than if The Income Fund were fully invested in the market. In addition, cash and cash equivalents may negatively affect the Fund's performance and ability to achieve its investment objective.

**Equity Risk.** The Income Fund is subject to the risk that stock and other equity security prices may fall over short or extended periods of time. Historically, the equity markets have moved in cycles, and the value of The Income Fund's equity securities

may fluctuate significantly from day to day. Individual companies may report poor results or be negatively affected by industry and/or economic trends and developments. The prices of securities issued by such companies may suffer a decline in response. These factors contribute to price volatility.

**Industry/Sector Risk.** To the extent The Income Fund invests or maintains a significant portion of its assets in one or more issuers in a particular industry or industry sector, The Income Fund will be subject to a greater degree to the risks particular to that industry or industry sector. Market or economic factors affecting issuers in that industry, group of related industries or sector could have a major effect on the value of The Income Fund's investments and NAV. The Income Fund has invested in the securities of issuers in the oil and gas sectors, which include storage, transportation and exploration services. These investments expose The Income Fund to the risks of the oil and gas sectors generally, and of those issuers, including changes in regulations; fluctuations in commodity prices and interest rates; changes in supply and demand for energy products; depletion of resources; development of alternative energy sources; extreme weather conditions and natural disasters; and terrorist attacks.

Publicly Traded Partnership Risk. The Income Fund invests in PTPs, which are limited partnerships the interests in which (called "units") are traded on public exchanges. PTPs are subject to the risks associated with their underlying assets or operating companies, which typically include assets or companies in the oil and gas sectors. PTPs are also subject to tax risk, as PTPs typically receive pass-through tax treatment and would be adversely affected if they were to lose such status. Losses from a PTP are generally considered passive and cannot offset income other than income or gains relating to the same entity. In addition, The Income Fund generally will be required to include its allocable share of the PTP's net income in its taxable income, regardless of whether the PTP distributes cash to The Income Fund. The Income Fund's recognition of taxable income from an investment in a PTP without receiving cash distributions from the PTP could adversely affect The Income Fund's ability to meet its minimum distribution requirements. In order to generate sufficient cash to make the requisite distributions, The Income Fund may need to sell securities in its portfolio (including when it is not advantageous to do so) that it otherwise would have continued to hold. The Income Fund's investment in a PTP may at other times result in The Income Fund's receipt of nontaxable cash distributions from the PTP; if The Income Fund distributes such amounts, such distribution could constitute a return of capital to shareholders for federal income tax purposes, which would reduce a shareholder's tax basis in his or her shares and ultimately increase the amount of gain or reduce the amount of loss realized by a shareholder on a sale of shares. Other risks of investments in PTPs may include, among others, potential lack of liquidity of PTP units, interest rate risk, limitations on the unitholder's voting and distribution rights, potential conflicts of interest between a PTP and its general partner, and the possibility of the PTP's general partner requiring unitholders to sell their units at an undesirable price or time.

**Small- to Medium-Capitalization Risk.** The Income Fund has the ability to invest in securities of companies with small to medium market capitalizations. Such companies may be engaged in business within a narrow geographic region, be less well known to the investment community, and have more volatile share prices. Also, companies with smaller market capitalizations often lack management depth and have narrower market penetrations, less diverse product lines, and fewer resources than larger companies. Moreover, the securities of such companies often have less market liquidity and, as a result, their stock prices often react more strongly to changes in the marketplace.

**Foreign Securities Risk.** Investments in foreign securities may be subject to greater political, economic, environmental, credit and information risks. The Income Fund's investments in foreign securities may be subject to foreign currency fluctuations. Foreign securities may be subject to higher volatility than U.S. securities, varying degrees of regulation and limited liquidity.

**Currency Risk.** The Income Fund is subject to currency risk because fluctuations in the exchange rates between the U.S. dollar and foreign currencies may negatively affect the value of The Income Fund's investments in foreign securities.

Credit Risk. The Income Fund's investments are subject to credit risk. An issuer's credit quality depends on its ability to pay interest on and repay its debt and other obligations. Defaulted securities (or those expected to default) are subject to additional risks in that the securities may become subject to a plan or reorganization that can diminish or eliminate their value. The credit risk of a security may also depend on the credit quality of any bank or financial institution that provides credit enhancement for the security. Changes in economic, tax and regulatory policies, interest rates, inflation rates and government instability, war or other political or economic actions or factors may have an adverse effect on the investments of The Income Fund. The degree of risk for a particular security may be reflected in its credit rating. There is the possibility that the credit rating of a fixed-income security may be downgraded after purchase, which may adversely affect the value of the security. Investments in fixed-income securities with lower ratings tend to have a higher probability that an issuer will default or fail to meet its payment obligations. The Manager does not rely solely on third party credit ratings to select The Income Fund's portfolio securities.

Interest Rate Risk. Changes in interest rates will affect the value of investments in fixed-income securities. When interest rates rise, the value of existing investments in fixed-income securities tends to fall and this decrease in value may not be offset by higher income from new investments. Interest rate risk is generally greater for fixed-income securities with longer maturities or durations, but increasing interest rates may have an adverse effect on the value of The Income Fund's investment portfolio as a whole, as investors and markets adjust expected returns relative to such increasing rates. An economic downturn or period of rising interest rates could have a negative impact on the market for fixed-income securities and reduce The Income Fund's

ability to sell them, which, in turn, could negatively impact the performance of The Income Fund. Potential future changes in government monetary policy may affect interest rate levels. The Income Fund may be subject to a greater risk of rising interest rates than would normally be the case due to the recent end of a period of historically low rates and the effects of potential central bank monetary policy, and government fiscal policy, initiatives and market reactions to those initiatives.

**Prepayment Risk.** The Income Fund's investments may be subject to prepayment risk. Prepayment risk occurs when the issuer of a security can repay principal prior to the security's maturity. Securities subject to prepayment can offer less potential for gains during a declining interest rate environment and similar or greater potential for loss in a rising interest rate environment. In addition, the potential impact of prepayment features on the price of a security can be difficult to predict and result in greater volatility.

**Inflation Risk.** This is the risk that the value of assets or income from investments will be less in the future as inflation decreases the value of money. As inflation increases, the value of The Income Fund's assets can decline as can the value of The Income Fund's distributions. This risk increases as The Income Fund invests a greater portion of its assets in fixed-income securities with longer maturities.

Commercial Paper Risk. The value of commercial paper may be affected by changes in the credit rating or financial condition of the issuing entity and tends to fall when interest rates rise and increase when interest rates fall. Maturing commercial paper issuances are usually repaid by the issuer from the proceeds of new commercial paper issuances. Consequently, investments in commercial paper are subject to the risk the issuer cannot issue enough new commercial paper or utilize other sources of cash to satisfy its outstanding commercial paper, which is also known as rollover risk.

Illiquid Investments Risk. This is the risk that the market for a security or other investment cannot accommodate an order to buy or sell the security or other investment in the desired timeframe, possibly preventing The Income Fund from selling these securities at an advantageous price. This risk includes the risk that legal or contractual restrictions on the resale of a security may affect The Income Fund's ability to sell the security when deemed appropriate or necessary by the Manager. Derivatives and securities involving substantial market and credit risk tend to involve greater illiquid investments risk. Over recent years illiquid investments risk has increased because the capacity of dealers in the secondary market to make markets in securities has decreased, even as overall markets have grown significantly, due to, among other things, structural changes, additional regulatory requirements and capital and risk restraints that have led to reduced inventories. Illiquid investments risk may be higher in a rising interest rate environment, when the value and liquidity of fixed-income securities generally decline, and, in certain circumstances, illiquid investments risk may be greater for a particular security as a result of, among other things, changes in the markets relating to that security, increased selling of the security by market participants or increases in the size of the holding relative to other fund holdings or to the issuer's total issuance. In addition, liquid investments may become more difficult to trade or dispose of after purchase by a fund, particularly during periods of market turmoil or volatility. Investments that are difficult to trade or dispose of may, particularly in changing markets, be harder to value. Market turbulence and volatility in the U.S. and non-U.S. financial markets may increase the risks associated with an investment in The Income Fund. This risk also includes the risk that trading on an exchange may be halted because of market conditions.

Control and Substantial Positions Risk. The Income Fund may invest in the securities of a company for the purpose of affecting the management or control of the company or may have or acquire a substantial position in the securities of a company, subject to applicable legal restrictions with respect to the investment. Such an investment imposes additional risks for The Income Fund other than a possible decline in the value of the investment. The Income Fund, individually or together with other accounts managed by the Manager, may obtain a controlling or other substantial position in a Portfolio Company. Should The Income Fund and other accounts managed by the Manager obtain such a position in a Portfolio Company, The Income Fund and the Manager may be required to make filings with the SEC concerning holdings in the Portfolio Company. The application of statutory, regulatory and other requirements to The Income Fund, or to the Manager and its affiliates, could restrict activities contemplated by The Income Fund, or by the Manager and its affiliates, with respect to a Portfolio Company or limit the time and the manner in which The Income Fund is able to dispose of its holdings or hedge such holdings. The Income Fund, or the Manager and its affiliates, may be required to obtain relief from the SEC or its staff prior to engaging in certain activities with respect to a Portfolio Company that could be deemed a joint arrangement under the 1940 Act. The foregoing restrictions and limitations may also apply when a Director serves as a director of a Portfolio Company.

The Income Fund may incur substantial expenses and costs when taking control or other substantial positions in a company, including paying market prices for securities whose value The Income Fund is required to discount when computing the NAV of The Income Fund's shares, and there is no guarantee that such expenses and costs can be recouped. In addition, The Income Fund's investments could be frozen in minority positions and The Income Fund could incur substantial losses.

The Income Fund could be exposed to various legal claims by governmental entities, or by a Portfolio Company, its security holders and its creditors, arising from, among other things, the Fund's status as an insider or control person of a Portfolio Company or from the Manager's designation of directors to serve on the board of directors of a Portfolio Company. Such legal claims may include claims that The Income Fund or the Manager (as a controlling person) is liable for securities laws violations

by the Portfolio Company or environmental damage or product defects caused by the Portfolio Company or failure to supervise the Portfolio Company. Such legal claims may also include claims that The Income Fund, as a control person or significant shareholder of the Portfolio Company, has a fiduciary responsibility to other shareholders in connection with The Income Fund's voting or investment decisions with respect to its holdings of the Portfolio Company's shares. In addition, potential conflicts of interest may arise when a Director serves on the board of directors of a Portfolio Company and when the Director receives compensation or other benefits for that service from the Portfolio Company. The Board may consider actions that are necessary to address any such conflict, including requiring the Director to recuse himself from voting on any matter to which the conflict relates.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, neither The Income Fund nor the Manager intends to have unilateral control of any Portfolio Company, and neither may be able to control the timing or occurrence of an exit strategy from any Portfolio Company.

Political, Economic and Regulatory Risk. Changes in economic and tax policies, interest rates, inflation rates and government instability, war or other political or economic actions or factors may have an adverse effect on The Income Fund's investments. Governmental and regulatory actions, including tax law changes, may have unexpected or adverse consequences on particular markets, strategies, or investments, including the liquidity of investments. These actions and other developments may impact The Income Fund's ability to invest or remain invested in certain securities and other assets. Legislation or regulation may also change the way in which The Income Fund itself is regulated. The Manager cannot predict the effects of any new governmental regulation that may be implemented on the ability of The Income Fund to invest in certain assets, or affect the Manager's ability to access financial markets, and there can be no assurance that any new governmental regulation will not adversely affect The Income Fund's ability to achieve its investment objective.

Further discussion about other risks of investing in The Income Fund may be found in the SAI.

#### INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

The Manager is located at 5966 South Dixie Highway, Suite 300, South Miami, FL 33143. The Manager is a Delaware limited liability company and is registered with the SEC as an investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended. As of February 29, 2024, the Manager reported assets under management of approximately \$1.83 billion.

The Manager's principal business is to provide financial management and advisory services to individuals, corporations, partnerships, and other entities throughout the world. Under a separate investment management agreement with the Company, on behalf of each Fund ("Investment Management Agreement"), the Manager manages each Fund's investment portfolio and manages, or arranges to manage, all other business affairs of each Fund.

Pursuant to each Fund's Investment Management Agreement, the Manager is eligible to be paid by the Fund a management fee at the annual rate of 1.00% of the daily average net assets of the Fund for the Manager's provision of investment advisory and operating services to the Fund. Effective January 1, 2018, the Manager has agreed to waive, on a voluntary basis, a portion of the management fee of The Fairholme Fund and The Income Fund to the extent necessary to limit the management fee paid to the Manager by The Fairholme Fund and The Income Fund, respectively, to an annual rate of 0.80% of that Fund's daily average NAV. This Undertaking may be terminated by the Manager upon 60 days' written notice to the applicable Fund.

Under each Investment Management Agreement, the Manager is responsible for paying the Fund's expenses for the following services: transfer agency, fund accounting, fund administration, custody, legal, audit, compliance, directors' fees, call center, fulfillment, travel, insurance, rent, printing, postage and other office supplies. The Manager is not responsible for paying for the following costs and expenses of the Fund: commissions, brokerage fees, issue and transfer taxes, and other costs chargeable to the Fund in connection with securities transactions or in connection with securities owned by the Fund, taxes, interest, acquired fund fees and related expenses, expenses in connection with litigation by or against the Fund, and any other extraordinary expenses. Acquired fund fees are those expenses that are incurred indirectly by a Fund as a result of its investment in shares of one or more investment companies, which may include money market funds.

A discussion of the factors that the Board considered in approving each Fund's Investment Management Agreement is included in the Fund's annual report to shareholders for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2023. The Funds' annual and semi-annual reports to shareholders also contain information concerning the portfolio holdings of the Funds, including identifying for each such holding its percentage of the Fund's net assets as of the date of the report.

#### The Funds' Portfolio Manager

Bruce R. Berkowitz is responsible for the day-to-day management of each Fund's portfolio. Mr. Berkowitz is the President and a Director of the Company. Mr. Berkowitz has been Chief Investment Officer of the Manager since its inception in 1997. Mr. Berkowitz also serves as a Director and Chairman of the Board of Directors of The St. Joe Company, which is listed on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE"). Mr. Berkowitz has over 30 years of investment management experience.

The Company does not directly compensate any personnel of the Manager, including the portfolio manager. The SAI provides additional information about the compensation of the portfolio manager, as well as (i) other accounts managed by the portfolio manager, and (ii) ownership of each Fund's securities by the portfolio manager.

#### **Conflicts of Interest**

In addition to acting as the investment adviser of each Fund, the Manager serves as the investment adviser to other accounts. It is the policy of the Manager to treat all clients fairly and equitably, and the Manager has adopted policies and procedures that are reasonably designed to ensure that no particular client is disadvantaged by the activities for other clients. There are, however, inherent conflicts of interest that may, from time to time, affect each Fund.

The Manager has adopted policies and procedures that are intended to address conflicts of interest relating to the allocation of investment opportunities. Portfolio holdings, position sizes, and industry and sector exposures tend to be similar across similar accounts, minimizing the potential for conflicts of interest relating to the allocation of investment opportunities. Investment opportunities may, however, be allocated differently among accounts due to the particular characteristics of an account, such as size of the account, cash position, tax status, risk tolerance, and investment restrictions or for other reasons. In addition, as a consequence of size, investment powers, and founding documents, other accounts managed or advised by the Manager may pursue strategies not available to a Fund and may invest in securities in which a Fund does not participate. In some circumstances, a Fund may pursue strategies or purchase investments that are not pursued by or purchased for other accounts managed by the Manager. As a result of pursuing different strategies and objectives, the performance of other accounts may differ materially from the performance of a Fund.

The Manager and the Company have adopted Codes of Ethics that are designed to detect and prevent conflicts of interest when personnel of the Manager own, buy or sell securities that may be owned by, or bought or sold for, clients of the Manager. Personal securities transactions by an employee may raise a potential conflict of interest when an employee owns or trades in a security that is owned or considered for purchase or sale by a client, or recommended for purchase or sale by an employee to a client.

Mr. Berkowitz serves as a Director and Chairman of the Board of Directors of The St. Joe Company, securities of which are held by The Fairholme Fund; and such service raises potential conflicts of interest for this individual, as he is a fiduciary of both the Company and The St. Joe Company, and subjects The Fairholme Fund to the risks, limitations and restrictions described under "Control and Substantial Positions Risk".

#### HOW TO BUY SHARES OF THE FUNDS

#### **Determining Share Prices**

Shares of each Fund are offered at such Fund's per share NAV. A Fund's per share NAV is calculated by (1) adding the value of the Fund's investments, cash, and other assets, (2) subtracting the Fund's liabilities, and then (3) dividing the result by the number of shares outstanding for the Fund. Each Fund's per share NAV is computed on days on which the NYSE is open for business and is based on market prices or fair value of the Fund's portfolio securities as of the close of regular trading hours on the NYSE (currently 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time). A Fund's NAV is calculated as soon as practicable following the close of regular trading on the NYSE. In the event that the NYSE closes early, a Fund's NAV will be determined based on the prices of such Fund's portfolio securities at the time the NYSE closes. If a Fund invests in securities that are primarily traded on foreign exchanges that trade on weekends or other days when the Fund does not price its shares, the NAV of the Fund's shares may change on days when shareholders will not be able to purchase or redeem the Fund's shares.

Each Fund values its securities at current market value determined on the basis of market quotations or, if market quotations are not readily available or are unreliable, at fair value as determined in accordance with procedures approved by the Board. Pursuant to Rule 2a-5 under the 1940 Act, the Board has designated the Manager as valuation designee to perform fair value determinations relating to each Fund's portfolio investments, subject to the Board's oversight. The Manager has established a valuation and liquidity risk management committee, which is comprised of senior personnel of the Manager, to carry out the Manager's responsibilities as valuation designee.

The Manager may use fair value pricing under circumstances that include when market quotations are not readily available or are unreliable, when the prices or values available do not represent the fair value of the investment, and when an investment is determined to be illiquid or restricted. In addition, under certain circumstances to discourage potential arbitrage market timing in Fund shares, the Manager may use fair value pricing for securities traded in non-U.S. markets.

To the extent that a Fund holds securities traded in foreign markets that close prior to U.S. markets, significant events, including company-specific developments or broad market moves, may affect the value of foreign securities held by the Fund between the time the foreign market closes and the time the Fund calculates its daily NAV. This is because each Fund calculates its NAV based on closing prices or fair values of the Fund's portfolio securities as of the close of trading on the NYSE, which gives rise

to the possibility that events may have occurred in the interim that would affect the value of these securities. Consequently, a Fund's NAV may be affected during a period when shareholders are unable to purchase or redeem their shares in the Fund. While fair value pricing may be more commonly used with foreign equity securities, it may also be used with thinly-traded domestic securities, fixed-income securities or other assets held by the Funds.

Fair value pricing involves subjective judgments and it is possible that the fair value determined for a security is materially different than the value that could be realized upon the sale of that security.

#### **Opening and Adding to Your Account**

Shareholders eligible to invest in the Funds can do so by mail, by wire transfer, through participating financial service professionals, and online at www.fairholmefunds.com (click on the "MY ACCOUNT" tab and follow the instructions). After you have established your account and made your first purchase, you may also make subsequent purchases by telephone, online or through an automatic investment plan. Any questions you may have can be answered by calling Shareholder Services at 1-866-202-2263.

To help the government fight the funding of terrorism and money laundering activities, Federal law requires all financial institutions to obtain, verify, and record information that identifies each person who opens an account.

As requested on the account application ("Application"), you must supply your full name, date of birth, social security number or taxpayer identification number, and permanent street address. Mailing addresses containing only a P.O. Box will not be accepted. For certain entities opening an account, such as trusts, estates, corporations, partnerships or other organizations, identifying documentation is required. If you need additional assistance when completing the Application, please call 1-866-202-2263 and a representative from Shareholder Services will help you.

A Fund may accept or reject an account without explanation. If a Fund has questions about your identity or the identity of any entity seeking to open an account, it may disallow transactions for the account until confirming information is received. A Fund reserves the right to close any account within five business days if requested information or documentation is not received, or if an identity is not verified. The investor's shares may be redeemed at the net asset value next calculated after the decision to close the account is made. A Fund will not be responsible for any losses or damages (including lost investment opportunities) resulting from any restriction placed upon your account or for closing your account. By opening an account, you acknowledge and agree to comply with these procedures, and accept responsibility for any losses or damages resulting from their implementation.

# **Purchasing Shares by Mail**

A shareholder eligible to invest in a Fund may purchase shares by mail by completing the Application, making a check payable to the Fund in which the shareholder wishes to invest, and mailing the completed Application and check to:

U.S. Mail Fairholme Funds, Inc.

P.O. Box 534443

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15253-4443

Overnight Fairholme Funds, Inc.

Attention: 534443

500 Ross Street, 154-0520 Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15262

The Funds and their service providers do not consider the U.S. Postal Service or other independent delivery services to be their agents and take no responsibility for their actions.

A shareholder eligible to invest in a Fund can make subsequent purchases by making a check payable to the Fund in which the shareholder wishes to invest and mailing the check to the above-mentioned address. On the check, be sure to include your name and account number.

# **Purchasing Shares by Wire Transfer**

Before funds can be wired for an initial investment by a shareholder eligible to invest in a Fund, the Fund's transfer agent, BNY Mellon Investment Servicing (US) Inc. (the "Transfer Agent"), must have received a completed Application with respect to the investment. You may send an Application to the Transfer Agent by mail or overnight delivery service. If you plan to wire funds on the same day you open your account, a Fund may accept a fax copy of the Application; however, the Transfer Agent will still require the original Application. Upon receipt of your completed Application, the Transfer Agent will establish an account for you and assign an account number.

Prior to sending wire transfers, please contact Shareholder Services at 1-866-202-2263 for specific wiring instructions and to facilitate prompt and accurate credit upon receipt of your wire.

Wired funds must be received prior to the close of regular trading on the NYSE (currently 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time) to be eligible for same day pricing. The Funds and their service providers are not responsible for any consequences of delays resulting from the banking or Federal Reserve wire systems, or from incomplete wiring instructions.

# **Purchasing Shares Through Financial Service Organizations**

Certain financial service organizations, including broker-dealers, investment advisers, and banks (collectively, "Financial Service Organizations"), have made arrangements with the Funds so that an investor may purchase, redeem or exchange Fund shares through such organizations. In certain situations, a Financial Service Organization may designate another financial entity or agent to receive purchase, redemption or exchange orders relating to Fund shares. The Funds will be deemed to have received purchase, redemption or exchange instructions when the Financial Service Organization or its agent receives the instructions, provided that the instructions are in "Proper Form" (as defined in the subsection in this Prospectus entitled "How to Buy Shares of the Funds – Miscellaneous Purchase Information"), and have been transmitted in a timely manner. Orders transmitted through Financial Service Organizations that are received prior to the close of regular trading on the NYSE (currently 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time), will be priced at the relevant Fund's per share NAV next calculated following the close of regular trading on that day. If you are a client of a Financial Service Organization, such organization may charge a separate transaction fee or a fee for administrative services in connection with investments in Fund shares and may impose different account minimums and other requirements. These fees and requirements would be in addition to those imposed by the Fund. The minimum subsequent investment amounts with respect to each Fund may be waived for subsequent investments made through omnibus account arrangements.

If you are investing through a Financial Service Organization, please refer to its program materials for any additional special provisions or conditions that may be different from those described in this Prospectus. (For example, some or all of the services and privileges described may not be available to you.) Financial Service Organizations have the responsibility for transmitting purchase orders and funds, facilitating exchanges of shares of one Fund for shares of another Fund, and crediting the Financial Service Organizations' customers' accounts following redemptions, in a timely manner in accordance with their customer agreements and this Prospectus. If for any reason your Financial Service Organization is not able to accommodate your purchase request, please call Shareholder Services at 1-866-202-2263 to find out how you can purchase Fund shares.

At its own expense, the Manager pays certain Financial Service Organizations fees for providing distribution and distribution-related services and/or for performing certain administrative and shareholder servicing functions for the benefit of Fund shareholders. These payments can create an incentive for Financial Service Organizations to recommend the purchase of Fund shares over other investment opportunities. In addition, at its own expense, the Manager pays the distributor of the Funds' shares a fee in connection with its services.

# **Purchasing Shares Through Automatic Investment Plan**

Shareholders eligible to invest in a Fund can make additional purchases at regular intervals through the Automatic Investment Plan (the "AIP"). The AIP provides a convenient method to have money deducted directly from your checking or savings account for investment in Fund shares. In order to participate in the AIP, your financial institution must be a member of the Automated Clearing House ("ACH") network; however, the account being debited may not be a mutual fund or "pass through" account. Purchases under the AIP are generally subject to a minimum of \$250 per month. Shareholders of The Fairholme Fund who became AIP members prior to September 1, 2008 are subject to a minimum purchase amount of \$100 per month. If your bank rejects your payment, the Transfer Agent will charge a fee, currently \$25, to your account. To begin participating in the AIP, please complete the AIP section on the Application or call Shareholder Services at 1-866-202-2263. Any request to change or terminate your AIP should be submitted to the Transfer Agent at least five business days prior to your desired effective date. A Fund may alter, modify, amend or terminate the AIP at any time, and will notify you at least 30 days in advance if it does so.

# **Purchasing Shares by Telephone**

To purchase shares by telephone, a shareholder eligible to invest in a Fund must have an account authorizing such purchases prior to the call. An initial purchase of shares may not be made by telephone. Each telephone purchase of a Fund's shares must be for a minimum of \$1,000 for both regular and IRA accounts purchasing shares of a Fund. Shares of a Fund purchased by telephone will be purchased at that Fund's per share NAV next determined after the Transfer Agent receives the purchase order. Please call Shareholder Services at 1-866-202-2263 for further details.

You may make telephone purchases if you have an account at a bank that is a member of the ACH network. Most transfers are completed within two business days of your call. To preserve flexibility, the Company may revise or eliminate the ability to purchase Fund shares by phone, or may charge a fee for such service, although the Company does not currently expect to charge such a fee. See the subsection of this Prospectus entitled "General Information – Transacting in Shares by Telephone or Online" below.

# **Purchasing Shares Online**

To purchase shares online, a shareholder eligible to invest in a Fund must have an online account. New accounts may be opened online at www.fairholmefunds.com (click on the "MY ACCOUNT" tab and follow the instructions). Initial and subsequent purchases of Fund shares can be made online, subject to the minimum investment requirements of the Fund of which shares are purchased. Shares of a Fund purchased online will be purchased at that Fund's per share NAV next determined after the Transfer Agent receives the purchase order. Please call Shareholder Services at 1-866-202-2263 for further details.

You may make online purchases if you are a shareholder eligible to invest in a Fund and you have an account at a bank that is a member of the ACH network. Most transfers are completed within two business days of your authorization. To preserve flexibility, the Company may revise or eliminate the ability to purchase Fund shares online. See the subsection of this Prospectus entitled "General Information – Transacting in Shares by Telephone or Online" below.

#### **Miscellaneous Purchase Information**

Each Fund reserves the right to refuse to accept any Application or any purchase order. The Manager may waive the minimum investment amounts in its discretion. Purchase orders will not be accepted unless they are in "Proper Form." "Proper Form," with respect to purchase orders, generally means that you are eligible to purchase shares of the Fund, an acceptable form of payment accompanies the purchase order, and the purchase order includes at least the following information:

- (1) Your name and account number;
- (2) Your e-mail address;
- (3) The name of the Fund in which you wish to purchase shares;
- (4) The number of shares to be purchased or the dollar value of the amount to be purchased;
- (5) All required signatures of all account owners exactly as they are registered on the account;
- (6) Any required signatures, medallion guaranteed; and
- (7) Any supporting legal documentation that is required in the case of estates, trusts, corporations, or partnerships, and certain other types of accounts.

Proper Form requirements may be modified to reflect appropriate regulations, industry practices or other requirements of the Funds or the Transfer Agent. Acceptable forms of payment include: wire transfer from, or check drawn on, a U.S. bank, savings and loan association or credit union. All checks must be in U.S. dollars. The Funds will not accept payment in cash, coins, currency or money orders. The Funds do not accept cashier checks in amounts of less than \$10,000. To prevent check fraud, the Funds will not accept third party checks, Treasury checks, credit card checks, traveler's checks or starter checks for the purchase of Fund shares. The Funds are unable to accept post-dated checks, post-dated online bill pay checks, or any conditional order or payment.

The Transfer Agent will charge a fee, currently \$25, against a shareholder's account, in addition to any loss sustained by a Fund, for any payment that is returned. In addition, shareholders will be charged fees by the Transfer Agent for outgoing wire transfers, returned checks and stop payment orders relating to such shareholders' transactions. IRAs and Coverdell education savings accounts will be charged an annual custodial maintenance fee by the Funds' custodian.

It is the policy of the Funds to not accept Applications or purchase orders under certain circumstances or in amounts considered disadvantageous to shareholders. The Funds reserve the right to reject any Application.

A purchase order placed with the Transfer Agent in Proper Form received on a business day prior to the close of regular trading on the NYSE (currently 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time), will be processed on the day it is received. A purchase order in Proper Form received on a business day after the close of regular trading on the NYSE (currently 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time), will be processed on the following business day.

If you place an order to purchase Fund shares through a securities broker or intermediary and you place your order in Proper Form before the close of regular trading on the NYSE (currently 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time), on any business day in accordance with its procedures, your order will be processed at the NAV per share next calculated following the close of regular trading on the NYSE that day, provided that the securities broker or intermediary transmits your order to the Transfer Agent in a timely manner in accordance with the rules established by the Funds and current regulatory requirements. The securities broker or intermediary must send to the Transfer Agent immediately available funds in the amount of the purchase price within one business day of placing the order.

After you have established your account and made your first purchase, you may also make subsequent purchases, if you are eligible, by telephone or online. Please note that all telephone orders are subject to verification.

Consistent with current regulatory requirements, it is permissible for financial intermediaries and retirement plan record keepers to aggregate mutual fund orders received prior to the close of regular trading on the NYSE (currently 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time), and transmit them to the Transfer Agent after 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time.

# **Policies Regarding Frequent Trading of Fund Shares**

In the opinion of the Manager and the Board, short-term trading of Fund shares creates risks for each Fund and its shareholders, including disruptions in carrying out each Fund's investment strategies, increases in administrative and transactions costs, and potential dilution from traders successful at seeking short-term profits.

A portion of each Fund's portfolio may be allocated to investments in foreign securities and such allocation may cause the Fund to be susceptible to short-term trading strategies. This is because foreign securities are typically traded on markets that close before the time that the Fund calculates its NAV, typically at 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time, which gives rise to the possibility that developments may have occurred in the interim that would affect the value of these securities. The time zone differences among international stock markets can allow a shareholder engaging in a short-term trading strategy to exploit differences in Fund share prices that are based on closing prices of foreign securities established some time before such Fund calculates its own share price. It is intended that the use of the Company's valuation procedures will result in adjustments to closing market prices of foreign securities that reflect what is believed to be the fair value of those securities at the time a Fund calculates its NAV. The Funds expect, but there can be no guarantee, that the use of fair value pricing, in addition to the market timing policies discussed below, will significantly reduce a shareholder's ability to engage in strategies that are detrimental to other Fund shareholders.

The ability to detect and curtail excessive trading practices may be limited by operational systems and technological limitations. In addition, the Funds receive purchase, exchange, and redemption orders through financial intermediaries and cannot always know or reasonably detect excessive trading that may be facilitated by these financial intermediaries or by the use of omnibus account arrangements offered by these financial intermediaries to investors. Omnibus account arrangements are common forms of holding shares of the Funds, particularly among certain financial intermediaries, such as brokers and retirement plans. These arrangements often permit the financial intermediary to aggregate its clients' transactions and ownership positions. In these circumstances, the identity of the shareholders often is not known to the Funds. The Funds have entered into agreements with financial intermediaries to ensure that comparable surveillance and reporting procedures are applied by such financial intermediaries to omnibus accounts as will be applied to non-omnibus accounts. However, there is no guarantee that the reporting and surveillance procedures will be the same across all financial intermediaries or that they will be successful in detecting abusive market timing practices.

The Company has adopted policies and procedures with respect to market timing and the frequent purchase and redemption of Fund shares. In addition, The Fairholme Fund imposes a redemption fee of 2% on the value of its shares that are redeemed or exchanged within 60 calendar days of purchase. See the subsection of this Prospectus titled "How to Sell (Redeem) Your Shares – Redemption Fee" below. Under these policies and procedures, the Funds will rely on the Chief Compliance Officer of the Company to work in conjunction with the Transfer Agent (or another agent of the Funds) to monitor trading patterns that may constitute abusive market timing activities. The Chief Compliance Officer will make the final determination regarding whether a particular trading pattern constitutes abusive market timing. If the Chief Compliance Officer determines that impermissible market timing has occurred, future purchases may be restricted or prohibited. However, sales of Fund shares back to the Funds or redemptions will continue as permitted by the terms disclosed in this Prospectus.

#### HOW TO SELL (REDEEM) YOUR SHARES

You may sell your shares at any time. You may request the sale of your shares either by mail, by telephone or online at www.fairholmefunds.com. See the subsections of this Prospectus entitled "Selling Shares by Mail," "Selling Shares by Telephone," and "Selling Shares Online" below.

"Proper Form" with respect to redemption requests currently means that the redemption requests must generally include:

- (1) Your name and account number;
- (2) The name of the Fund from which you wish to redeem shares;
- (3) The number of shares to be redeemed or the dollar value of the amount to be redeemed;
- (4) All required signatures of all account owners exactly as they are registered on the account;
- (5) Any required signatures, medallion guaranteed; and
- (6) Any supporting legal documentation that is required in the case of estates, trusts, corporations, or partnerships, and certain other types of accounts.

Proper Form requirements may be modified to reflect appropriate regulations, industry practices or other requirements of the Funds or the Transfer Agent. A redemption order placed with the Transfer Agent in Proper Form received on a business day prior to the close of regular trading on the NYSE (currently 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time), will be processed on the day it is received. A redemption order in Proper Form received on a business day after the close of regular trading on the NYSE (currently 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time) will be processed on the following business day. The redemption price you receive will be the Fund's per share NAV next calculated after receipt of the redemption request in Proper Form.

If you place an order to redeem Fund shares through a securities broker or intermediary and you place your order in Proper Form before the close of regular trading on the NYSE (currently 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time), on any business day in accordance with its procedures, your order will be processed at the NAV per share next calculated following the close of regular trading on the NYSE that day, provided that the securities broker or intermediary transmits your order to the Transfer Agent in a timely manner in accordance with the rules established by the Funds and current regulatory requirements.

Payment of redemption proceeds will generally be made within three business days of the valuation date immediately following receipt of the redemption request, unless otherwise expressly agreed by the parties at the time of the transaction. If you purchase your shares by check and then redeem your shares before your check has cleared, a Fund may hold your redemption proceeds until your check clears or for 15 days, whichever comes first. For redemptions paid in cash, each Fund typically expects to meet redemption requests using the Fund's then-existing holdings of cash or cash equivalents. Subject to market conditions and other considerations, at times, such as during stressed market conditions, a Fund may use proceeds from the sale of securities to meet redemption requests. Unless otherwise prohibited by law, each Fund also reserves the right to pay redemptions in-kind, using portfolio securities to pay redemption proceeds, and may meet redemption requests partly in cash and partly in portfolio securities.

# **Selling Shares by Mail**

Sale requests should be mailed via U.S. mail or overnight courier service to:

U.S. Mail Fairholme Funds, Inc. P.O. Box 534443

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15253-4443

Overnight Fairholme Funds, Inc.

Attention: 534443 500 Ross Street, 154-0520 Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15262

The Funds and their service providers do not consider the U.S. Postal Service or other independent delivery services to be their agents and take no responsibility for their actions.

#### **Signature Guarantee Requirements**

A medallion signature guarantee is required to redeem shares in the following situations:

- If ownership is changed on your account;
- When redemption proceeds are sent to any person, address or bank account not on record;
- Written requests to wire redemption proceeds (if not previously authorized on the account);
- When establishing or modifying certain services on an account;
- If a change of address was received by the Transfer Agent within the last 30 days; or
- For all redemptions in excess of \$50,000 from any shareholder account.

In addition to the situations described above, each of the Funds and the Transfer Agent reserve the right to require a medallion signature guarantee in other instances based on the circumstances relative to the particular situation.

# **Selling Shares by Telephone**

If you elected to use telephone redemption on your Application when you initially purchased shares (or subsequently, in accordance with the Funds' and the Transfer Agent's procedures for doing so), you may redeem up to a \$50,000 value of your Fund shares by calling Shareholder Services at 1-866-202-2263. Investors may have a check sent to the address of record, proceeds may be wired to a shareholder's bank account of record, or funds may be sent via electronic funds transfer through the ACH network to the bank account of record. Wires are currently subject to a \$15 fee. There is no charge if redemption proceeds are sent via the ACH system and credit is generally available within three business days. If a request has been made to change the address of the account and was received by a Fund or the Transfer Agent within 30 days of the redemption request, you may not redeem by telephone. Once a telephone transaction has been placed, it cannot be canceled or modified.

The Transfer Agent employs certain procedures designed to confirm that instructions communicated by telephone are genuine. Such procedures may be modified from time to time and may include requiring some form of personal identification prior to acting upon telephonic instructions, providing written confirmations of all such transactions, and/or tape recording all telephonic instructions. Assuming procedures such as the above have been followed, neither any of the Funds nor the Transfer Agent will be liable for any loss, cost or expense for acting upon telephone instructions that are believed to be genuine. The Company shall have the authority, as your agent, to redeem shares in your account to cover any such loss. As a result of this policy, you will bear the risk of any loss unless the Fund failed to follow procedures such as those outlined above. If a Fund fails to follow such procedures, it may be liable for losses that result from such failure.

# **Selling Shares Online**

If you elected to establish online account access, you may redeem up to \$50,000 in value of Fund shares by visiting the Funds' website at www.fairholmefunds.com. Investors may have a check sent to the address of record, proceeds may be wired to a shareholder's bank account of record, or funds may be sent via electronic funds transfer through the ACH network to the bank account of record. Wires are subject to a fee, currently \$15. There is no charge if redemption proceeds are sent via the ACH system and credit is generally available within three business days. If a request has been made to change the address of the account and was received by the Fund or the Transfer Agent within 30 days of the redemption request, you may not redeem online via check to the address of record. Once an online transaction has been placed, it cannot be canceled or modified.

The Transfer Agent employs certain procedures designed to confirm that instructions communicated online are genuine. Such procedures may be modified from time to time and may include requiring some form of personal identification prior to acting upon online instructions and providing written confirmations of all such transactions. Assuming procedures such as the above have been followed, none of the Funds nor the Transfer Agent will be liable for any loss, cost or expense for acting upon online transactions that are believed to be genuine. The Company shall have the authority, as your agent, to redeem shares in your account to cover any such loss. As a result of this policy, you will bear the risk of any loss unless the Fund failed to follow procedures such as those outlined above. If a Fund fails to follow such procedures, it may be liable for losses that result from such failure. Please call Shareholder Services at 1-866-202-2263 for further details.

#### **Wiring Redemption Proceeds**

You may request that the redemption proceeds be wired to your designated bank if it is a member bank or a correspondent of a member bank of the Federal Reserve System. Wires are subject to a fee, currently \$15.

# **Payment of Redemption Proceeds**

Each Fund is currently committed pursuant to its Rule 18f-1 election to pay redeeming shareholders in cash for all redemptions of an amount equal to the lesser of \$250,000 or 1% of the NAV of such Fund within any 90-day period. Each Fund reserves the right to pay redemption proceeds by distributing portfolio securities for any redemption request (or series of requests within any 90-day period) exceeding the lesser of the amounts discussed above.

Redeeming shareholders will incur brokerage and other costs in connection with the sale of any portfolio security received in connection with a redemption request. In addition, as a result of subsequent market volatility, the net proceeds from the ultimate sale of any securities received upon a redemption may vary, either positively or negatively, and perhaps significantly, from the redemption value of the Fund's shares.

# Redemption at the Option of a Fund

If the value of the shares in your account falls below \$2,000, a Fund may notify you that, unless your account is increased to \$2,000 in value, it will redeem all of your shares and close the account by paying you the redemption proceeds and any distributions declared and unpaid at the date of redemption. You will have 30 days after notice to bring the account up to \$2,000 before any action is taken. This right of redemption shall not apply if the value of your account drops below \$2,000 as the result of market action. Each Fund also reserves the right to cause the redemption of any shareholder if it believes that continued ownership of Fund shares by such shareholder may adversely affect the Fund or its other shareholders.

# **Redemption Fee**

The Fairholme Fund assesses a 2% fee on the proceeds of its shares that are redeemed or exchanged within 60 calendar days of their purchase. For purposes of applying the fee, the first day of the period will be the settlement date. Shares will be redeemed on a first-in, first-out basis. The redemption fee is paid to The Fairholme Fund for the benefit of remaining shareholders, and is intended to discourage short-term trading of The Fairholme Fund shares and to offset the trading costs, market impact and other costs associated with short-term trading in The Fairholme Fund shares. The Fairholme Fund reserves the right to waive the redemption fee if it is determined that such waiver is consistent with the best interests of The Fairholme Fund and its long-term shareholders.

The redemption fee is not imposed in the following situations:

- periodic distributions from retirement accounts (including IRAs and retirement plans);
- redemption of reinvested distributions;
- when The Fairholme Fund cannot identify the beneficial owner in certain omnibus accounts if The Fairholme Fund
  has received assurances that a system allowing for the redemption fee will be implemented within a reasonable time
  when and if required by any relevant regulation;
- when the shares are redeemed in certain hardship situations, including death or disability of the shareholder;
- shares redeemed by The Fairholme Fund;
- shares redeemed to return an excess contribution to an IRA account; or
- shares redeemed in connection with qualified default investment alternatives.

# **Exchange Privileges**

Shareholders may exchange shares held in one Fund for shares of another Fund, subject to the minimum investment requirements of the Fund in which shares are purchased. The Fairholme Fund assesses a 2% fee on the proceeds of its shares that are exchanged within 60 days of their purchase. Requests to exchange shares can be made in writing, by phone or online. The Funds and the Transfer Agent employ procedures, including providing written confirmations, reasonably designed to ensure the genuineness of instructions received from any person with appropriate account information. If the Funds or the Transfer Agent fail to employ such procedures, they may be liable for losses due to unauthorized or fraudulent instructions. Redemptions and purchases associated with an exchange are processed simultaneously at the share prices next determined after the exchange order is received. Each Fund reserves the right to reject any exchange order. Exchanges generally have the same tax consequences as ordinary sales and purchases.

# INCOME AND CAPITAL GAIN DISTRIBUTIONS

Income distributions paid by each Fund are derived from the Fund's net investment income. The Fairholme Fund intends to declare and pay net investment income distributions (if any) annually in December. The Fairholme Fund's net investment income is generally made up of dividends received from the stocks as well as interest accrued and paid on any other debt obligations, including commercial paper, that might be held in The Fairholme Fund's portfolio. The Income Fund intends to declare and pay net investment income distributions (if any) quarterly in March, June, September and December. The Income Fund's net investment income is generally made up of interest accrued and paid on debt obligations as well as dividends received from stocks held in The Income Fund's portfolio.

Each Fund realizes capital gains when it sells a security for more than it paid and a capital loss when it sells a security for less than it paid. Each Fund intends to make distributions of its net realized capital gains (after any reductions for capital loss carry forwards) annually, if required.

Unless you elect in writing to have your periodic distributions of income and capital gain paid in cash, your distributions will be reinvested in additional shares of the applicable Fund from which distributions were paid. You may change the manner in which your income and capital gain distributions are paid at any time by writing to the Transfer Agent or by modifying your distribution options online if you have enrolled in online account access. In-kind distributions by a Fund are not covered by your reinvestment election and can only be reinvested in the Fund with the prior approval of the Fund.

#### TAX CONSIDERATIONS

Each Fund intends to qualify as a regulated investment company under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, so as to be relieved of federal income tax on its capital gains and net investment income currently distributed to its shareholders.

Distributions of investment income and of net short-term capital gains are generally taxable to you as ordinary income. Distributions attributable to qualified dividend income received by a Fund may be eligible for preferential tax rates. Dividends received from REITs generally do not constitute qualified dividend income. However, certain REIT dividends attributable to trade or business income of the REIT may qualify for a reduced rate of taxation as qualified business income in the hands of individuals, trusts and estates, provided certain holding period and other requirements are satisfied by the shareholder. Distributions of capital gains are taxable based on a Fund's holding period, either short-term or long-term, regardless of the length of time that you have held shares in such Fund. Income and capital gain distributions are generally taxable, whether you receive them in cash or they are reinvested in additional shares of a Fund.

For federal income tax purposes, you will be advised annually as to the types of distributions paid by each Fund.

The Board may declare a special pro rata distribution of specified Fund assets, which may be paid in cash or in securities (or partly in cash and partly in securities). Such a distribution may constitute a return of capital and, as described above, can only be reinvested in the Fund with the prior approval of the Fund. You should consult a tax advisor regarding the implication of any such distribution to you, which may be a taxable event.

A redemption or exchange of Fund shares is a taxable event and, accordingly, a capital gain or loss may be recognized. You are encouraged to consult a tax advisor regarding the effect of federal, state, local, and foreign taxes on an investment in the Funds.

**Cost Basis Reporting.** As part of the Energy Improvement and Extension Act of 2008, mutual funds are required to report to the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") the "cost basis" of shares acquired by a shareholder on or after January 1, 2012 ("covered shares") and subsequently redeemed. These requirements do not apply to investments through a tax-deferred arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or an individual retirement plan. The cost basis of a share is generally its purchase price adjusted for dividends, return of capital, and other corporate actions. Cost basis is used to determine whether a redemption (*i.e.*, a sale or exchange) of

the shares results in a gain or loss. If you redeem covered shares during any year, then the Fund will report the cost basis of such covered shares to the IRS and you on Form 1099-B.

Each Fund will permit you to elect from among several IRS-accepted cost basis methods to calculate the cost basis of your covered shares. If you do not affirmatively elect a cost basis method, then the Fund's default cost basis calculation method, which is currently the Average Cost method, will be applied to your account(s). The cost basis method elected or applied may not be changed after the settlement date of a sale of Fund shares.

If you hold Fund shares through a broker (or another nominee), please contact that broker (nominee) with respect to the reporting of cost basis and available elections for your account.

You are encouraged to consult your tax advisor regarding the application of the cost basis reporting rules and, in particular, which cost basis calculation method you should elect.

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

**Transacting in Shares by Telephone or Online.** Your ability to purchase, sell or exchange shares, or to otherwise communicate about a Fund, Fund shares or your account, by telephone or online is dependent on the equipment, software, systems, data, and services provided by various third parties. You should be aware that the Internet is an unsecured, unstable, and unregulated environment. The Funds cannot guarantee that any communication transmitted or transaction conducted by telephone or online will be completely secure. In addition, there may be delays, malfunctions or other disruptions. If this occurs, or if a telephone number or website is unavailable to transact in shares of a Fund, you should use another method described in this Prospectus to complete the transaction.

None of the Funds, any of the Funds' affiliates or the Transfer Agent will be liable for any delays or malfunctions or for unauthorized interception or access to communications or account information, provided that the Funds and the service providers have followed their respective procedures addressing telephone and online privileges. In addition, none of the Funds, any of their affiliates or the Transfer Agent will be liable for any loss, liability, cost or expense for following instructions communicated by telephone or through the Internet, including fraudulent or unauthorized instructions, provided that the Funds or the service providers accepting the instructions reasonably believe the instructions were genuine.

**Electronic Delivery of Documents.** Electronic copies of account statements, prospectuses, privacy notices, and annual and semi-annual reports are available through the Funds' website. Shareholders can sign up for electronic delivery of such documents by enrolling in the Funds' electronic delivery program. To enroll, please visit www.fairholmefunds.com (click on the "MY ACCOUNT" tab and follow the instructions). If you need assistance, call Shareholder Services at 1-866-202-2263.

**Share Certificates.** The Funds will not issue certificates evidencing ownership of shares. Instead, your account will be credited with the number of shares purchased, relieving you of responsibility for safekeeping of certificates, and the need to deliver them upon redemption. Written confirmations are issued for all share transactions.

Performance Comparisons and Other Information. In reports or other communications to investors, or in advertising material, a Fund may describe general economic and market conditions affecting such Fund and may compare its performance with other mutual funds as listed in the rankings prepared by nationally recognized rating services and financial publications that monitor mutual fund performance. Each Fund may also, from time to time, compare its performance to one or more appropriate market or economic indices. Publications other than those distributed by the Funds may contain comparisons of the Funds' performance to the performance of various indices and investments for which reliable data is widely available. These publications may also include averages, performance rankings or other information prepared by recognized organizations providing mutual fund statistics. The Funds are not responsible for the accuracy of any data published by third party organizations.

Codes of Ethics. The Board has approved the Codes of Ethics ("Codes") of the Company and the Manager concerning the trading activities of certain personnel. The Board is responsible for overseeing the implementation of the Company's Code. The Codes govern investment personnel who may have knowledge of the investment activities of the Funds. The Codes require these investment personnel to file regular reports concerning their personal securities transactions and prohibit certain activities that might result in harm to the Funds. The Company and the Manager have filed copies of their respective Codes with the SEC. The Codes are available on the SEC's EDGAR database at the SEC's website (www.sec.gov) or copies may be obtained, after paying a duplicating fee, by electronic request (publicinfo@sec.gov).

**Anti-Money Laundering Procedures.** The Board has approved procedures designed to prevent and detect attempts to launder money as required under the USA PATRIOT Act. The day-to-day responsibility for monitoring and reporting any such activities has been delegated to the Transfer Agent, subject to the oversight and supervision of the Board.

**Identity Theft Procedures.** The Board has approved procedures designed to prevent and detect identity theft pursuant to Regulation S-ID. The day-to-day responsibility for monitoring and reporting any such activities has been delegated to the Transfer Agent, subject to the oversight and supervision of the Board.

**Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures.** The Company has adopted proxy voting policies and procedures under which the Company votes proxies relating to securities held by each Fund ("Proxy Voting Policy"). The Company's primary consideration in its Proxy Voting Policy is the financial interest of each Fund and its shareholders. The Proxy Voting Policy is included as an exhibit to the SAI, which is available upon request and without charge by calling Shareholder Services at 1-866-202-2263.

Information regarding how proxies related to the Funds' portfolio holdings were voted during the 12-month period ending June 30th will be available, without charge, upon request by calling Shareholder Services at 1-866-202-2263, and on the SEC's website at www.sec.gov.

**Annual and Semi-Annual Reports.** The Funds' annual and semi-annual reports to shareholders contain information concerning the portfolio holdings of the Funds, including identifying for each such holding its percentage of the Fund's net assets as of the date of the report.

**Portfolio Holdings Disclosure Policy.** The Company has established a policy with respect to the disclosure of the Funds' portfolio holdings. A description of this policy is provided in the SAI.

**Notice Regarding Unclaimed Property.** If no activity occurs in your account within the time period specified by applicable state law, your property may be transferred to the appropriate state.

# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS - THE FAIRHOLME FUND

The Financial Highlights table is intended to help you understand The Fairholme Fund's financial performance for the past five years of operations. Certain information reflects financial results for a single share of The Fairholme Fund. The total returns in the table represent the rate that an investor would have earned (or lost) on an investment in The Fairholme Fund (assuming reinvestment of all dividends and distributions). This information has been audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, The Fairholme Fund's independent registered public accounting firm, whose report, along with The Fairholme Fund's financial statements, is included in The Fairholme Fund's annual report, which is available upon request.

|   | For the Fiscal Year Ended November 30, |             |             |                |                |  |  |  |
|---|--|-------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|--|--|--|
|   | 2023                                   | 2022        | 2021        | 2020           | 2019           |  |  |  |
| Per Share Operating Performance                             |  |             |             |                | <u>.</u>       |  |  |  |
| Net Asset Value,<br>Beginning of Year                       | \$24.75                                | \$29.29     | \$25.35     | \$19.19        | \$16.05        |  |  |  |
| <b>Investment Operations</b>                                |  |             |             |                |                |  |  |  |
| Net Investment Income (Loss) (1)                            | 0.14                                   | 0.02        | (0.07)      | (0.08)         | 0.16           |  |  |  |
| Net Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments      | 7.04                                   | (4.56)      | 4.01        | 6.41           | 3.32           |  |  |  |
| Total from Investment Operations                            | 7.18                                   | (4.54)      | 3.94        | 6.33           | 3.48           |  |  |  |
| Dividends and Distributions From Net Investment Income      |  |             |             | (0.17)         | (0.24)         |  |  |  |
|   |  |             |             | (0.17)         | (0.34)         |  |  |  |
| Total Dividends and Distributions                           |  |             |             | (0.17)         | (0.34)         |  |  |  |
| Redemption Fees (1)   | 0.00(2)                                | 0.00(2)     | 0.00(2)     | 0.00(2)        | 0.00(2)        |  |  |  |
| Net Asset Value,<br>End of Year                             | \$31.93                                | \$24.75     | \$29.29     | \$25.35        | \$19.19        |  |  |  |
| Total Return Ratio/Supplemental Data                        | 29.01%                                 | (15.50)%    | 15.54%      | 33.19%         | 22.20%         |  |  |  |
| Net Assets, End of Year (in 000's)                          | \$1,251,386                            | \$1,057,564 | \$1,348,318 | \$1,269,211    | \$1,056,541    |  |  |  |
| Ratio of Gross Expenses to Average Net Assets               | 1.00%                                  | 1.00%       | 1.00%       | $1.01\%^{(3)}$ | $1.00\%^{(4)}$ |  |  |  |
| Ratio of Net Expenses to Average Net Assets                 | 0.80%(5                                |             |             |                |                |  |  |  |
| Ratio of Net Investment Income (Loss) to Average Net Assets | 0.47%                                  | 0.06%       | (0.25)%     | (0.41)%        | 0.86%          |  |  |  |
| Portfolio Turnover Rate                                     | 2.72%                                  | 2.54%       | 8.84%       | 8.18%          | 8.05%          |  |  |  |

<sup>(1)</sup> Based on average shares outstanding.
(2) Redemption fees represent less than \$0.01.
(3) 0.01% is attributable to legal expenses incurred outside of the 1.00% management fee.

<sup>(4)</sup> Less than 0.01% is attributable to legal expenses incurred outside of the 1.00% management fee.

<sup>(5)</sup> Effective January 1, 2018, the Manager has agreed to waive, on a voluntary basis, a portion of the management fee of the Fund to the extent necessary to limit the management fee paid to the Manager by the Fund to an annual rate of 0.80% of the Fund's daily average net asset value.

# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS - THE INCOME FUND

The Financial Highlights table is intended to help you understand The Income Fund's financial performance for the past five years of operations. Certain information reflects financial results for a single share of The Income Fund. The total return in the table represents the rate that an investor would have earned (or lost) on an investment in The Income Fund (assuming reinvestment of all dividends and distributions). This information has been audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, The Income Fund's independent registered public accounting firm, whose report, along with The Income Fund's financial statements, is included in The Income Fund's annual report, which is available upon request.

|  | F              | For the Fiscal Year Ended November 30, |                |              |             |  |  |  |  |
|--|----------------|--|----------------|--------------|-------------|--|--|--|--|
|  | 2023           | 2022                                   | 2021           | 2020         | 2019        |  |  |  |  |
| Per Share Operating Performance                      |                |  |                |              |             |  |  |  |  |
| Net Asset Value,<br>Beginning of Year                | \$11.62        | \$10.62                                | \$10.31        | \$10.23      | \$9.88      |  |  |  |  |
| Investment Operations                                |                |  |                |              |             |  |  |  |  |
| Net Investment Income (1)                            | 0.26           | 0.10                                   | 0.13           | 0.07         | 0.30        |  |  |  |  |
| Net Realized and Unrealized Gain on Investments      | 0.74           | 1.08                                   | 0.30           | $0.11^{(2)}$ | 0.34        |  |  |  |  |
| Total from Investment Operations                     | 1.00           | 1.18                                   | 0.43           | 0.18         | 0.64        |  |  |  |  |
| Dividends and Distributions                          |                |  |                |              |             |  |  |  |  |
| From Net Investment Income                           | (0.29)         | (0.18)                                 | (0.12)         | (0.10)       | (0.29)      |  |  |  |  |
| Total Dividends and Distributions                    | (0.29)         | (0.18)                                 | (0.12)         | (0.10)       | (0.29)      |  |  |  |  |
| Net Asset Value,<br>End of Year                      | \$12.33        | \$11.62                                | \$10.62        | \$10.31      | \$10.23     |  |  |  |  |
| Total Return   | 8.80%          | 11.30%                                 | 4.16%          | 1.78%        | 6.49%       |  |  |  |  |
| Ratio/Supplemental Data                              |                |  |                |              |             |  |  |  |  |
| Net Assets, End of Year (in 000's)                   | \$208,734      | \$170,547                              | \$118,887      | \$107,109    | \$179,351   |  |  |  |  |
| Ratio of Gross Expenses to Average Net Assets        | 1.00%          | 1.00%                                  | 1.00%          | 1.02%(3)     | 1.02%(3)    |  |  |  |  |
| Ratio of Net Expenses to Average Net Assets          | $0.80\%^{(4)}$ | 0.80%(4)                               | $0.80\%^{(4)}$ | 0.82%(3)(4   | 0.82%(3)(4) |  |  |  |  |
| Ratio of Net Investment Income to Average Net Assets | 2.20%          | 0.89%                                  | 1.20%          | 0.74%        | 2.94%       |  |  |  |  |
| Portfolio Turnover Rate                              | 53.48%         | 46.25%                                 | 118.05%        | 100.67%      | 16.70%      |  |  |  |  |

<sup>(1)</sup> Based on average shares outstanding.

<sup>(2)</sup> The amount shown for a share outstanding does not correspond with the aggregate net gain (loss) on investments for the period due to the timing of sales and redemptions of shares in relation to fluctuating market values of the investments of the Fund.

<sup>(3) 0.02%</sup> is attributable to legal expenses incurred outside the management fee.
(4) Effective January 1, 2018, the Manager has agreed to waive, on a voluntary basis, a portion of the management fee of the Fund to the extent necessary to limit the management fee paid to the Manager by the Fund to an annual rate of 0.80% of the Fund's daily average net asset value.

# APPENDIX A: BOND AND COMMERCIAL PAPER RATINGS BOND RATINGS

### Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

- Aaa Obligations rated Aaa are judged to be of the highest quality, with minimal risk.
- **Aa** Obligations rated Aa are judged to be of high quality and are subject to very low credit risk.
- A Obligations rated A are judged to be upper medium-grade and are subject to low credit risk.
- **Baa** Obligations rated Baa subject to moderate credit risk. They are considered medium-grade and as such may possess certain speculative characteristics.
- **Ba** Obligations rated Ba are judged to have speculative elements and are subject to substantial credit risk.
- **B** Obligations rated B are considered speculative and are subject to high credit risk.
- Caa Obligations rated Caa are judged to be of poor standing and are subject to very high credit risk.
- Ca Obligations rated Ca are highly speculative and are likely in, or very near, default, with some prospect of recovery of principal and interest.
- C Obligations rated C are the lowest-rated class of bonds and are typically in default, with little prospect for recovery of principal and interest.
- **Note** Moody's appends numerical modifiers 1, 2 and 3 to each generic rating classification from Aa through Caa. The modifier 1 indicates that the obligation ranks in the higher end of its generic rating category; the modifier 2 indicates a mid-range ranking; and the modifier 3 indicates a ranking in the lower end of that generic rating category. Additionally, a (hyb) indicator is appended to all ratings of hybrid securities issued by banks, insurers, finance companies, and securities firms.\*
- \*By their terms, hybrid securities allow for the omission of scheduled dividends, interest, or principal payments, which can potentially result in impairment if such an omission occurs. Hybrid securities may also be subject to contractually allowable write-downs of principal that could result in impairment. Together with the hybrid indicator, the long-term obligation rating assigned to a hybrid security is an expression of the relative credit risk associated with that security.

#### S&P Global Ratings ("S&P")

- **AAA** An obligation rated 'AAA' has the highest rating assigned by S&P. The obligor's capacity to meet its financial commitments on the obligation is extremely strong.
- **AA** An obligation rated 'AA' differs from the highest-rated obligations only to a small degree. The obligor's capacity to meet its financial commitments on the obligation is very strong.
- $\mathbf{A}$  An obligation rated 'A' is somewhat more susceptible to the adverse effects of changes in circumstances and economic conditions than obligations in higher-rated categories. However, the obligor's capacity to meet its financial commitments on the obligation is still strong.
- **BBB** An obligation rated 'BBB' exhibits adequate protection parameters. However, adverse economic conditions or changing circumstances are more likely to weaken the obligor's capacity to meet its financial commitments on the obligation.
- **BB; B; CCC; CC; and C** Obligations rated 'BB', 'B', 'CCC', 'CC', and 'C' are regarded as having significant speculative characteristics. BB indicates the least degree of speculation and C the highest. While such obligations will likely have some quality and protective characteristics, these may be outweighed by large uncertainties or major exposure to adverse conditions.
- **BB** An obligation rated 'BB' is less vulnerable to nonpayment than other speculative issues. However, it faces major ongoing uncertainties or exposure to adverse business, financial, or economic conditions that could lead to the obligor's inadequate capacity to meet its financial commitments on the obligation.
- **B** An obligation rated 'B' is more vulnerable to nonpayment than obligations rated 'BB', but the obligor currently has the capacity to meet its financial commitments on the obligation. Adverse business, financial, or economic conditions will likely impair the obligor's capacity or willingness to meet its financial commitments on the obligation.
- CCC An obligation rated 'CCC' is currently vulnerable to nonpayment, and is dependent upon favorable business, financial, and economic conditions for the obligor to meet its financial commitments on the obligation. In the event of adverse business, financial, or economic conditions, the obligor is not likely to have the capacity to meet its financial commitments on the obligation.
- CC An obligation rated 'CC' is currently highly vulnerable to nonpayment. The 'CC' rating is used when a default has not yet occurred but S&P expects default to be a virtual certainty, regardless of the anticipated time to default.

- C An obligation rated 'C' is currently highly vulnerable to nonpayment, and the obligation is expected to have lower relative seniority or lower ultimate recovery compared with obligations that are rated higher.
- **D** An obligation rated 'D' is in default or in breach of an imputed promise. For non-hybrid capital instruments, the 'D' rating category is used when payments on an obligation are not made on the date due, unless S&P believes that such payments will be made within the next five business days in the absence of a stated grace period or within the earlier of the stated grace period or the next 30 calendar days. The 'D' rating also will be used upon the filing of a bankruptcy petition or the taking of similar action and where default on an obligation is a virtual certainty, for example due to automatic stay provisions. A rating on an obligation is lowered to 'D' if it is subject to a distressed debt restructuring.
- NR NR indicates that a rating has not been assigned or is no longer assigned.
- **Plus (+) or Minus (-)** Ratings from 'AA' to 'CCC' may be modified by the addition of a plus (+) or minus (-) sign to show relative standing within the rating categories.

#### **COMMERCIAL PAPER RATINGS**

# Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

- **P-1** Ratings of Prime-1 reflect a superior ability to repay short-term obligations.
- P-2 Ratings of Prime-2 reflect a strong ability to repay short-term obligations.
- **P-3** Ratings of Prime-3 reflect an acceptable ability to repay short-term obligations.
- **NP** Issuers (or supporting institutions) rated Not Prime do not fall within any of the Prime rating categories.

# S&P Global Ratings ("S&P")

- **A-1** A short-term obligation rated 'A-1' is rated in the highest category by S&P. The obligor's capacity to meet its financial commitments on the obligation is strong. Within this category, certain obligations are designated with a plus sign (+). This indicates that the obligor's capacity to meet its financial commitments on these obligations is extremely strong.
- **A-2** A short-term obligation rated 'A-2' is somewhat more susceptible to the adverse effects of changes in circumstances and economic conditions than obligations in higher rating categories. However, the obligor's capacity to meet its financial commitments on the obligation is satisfactory.
- **A-3** A short-term obligation rated 'A-3' exhibits adequate protection parameters. However, adverse economic conditions or changing circumstances are more likely to weaken an obligor's capacity to meet its financial commitments on the obligation.
- ${f B}$  A short-term obligation rated 'B' is regarded as vulnerable and has significant speculative characteristics. The obligor currently has the capacity to meet its financial commitments; however, it faces major ongoing uncertainties that could lead to the obligor's inadequate capacity to meet its financial commitments.
- C A short-term obligation rated 'C' is currently vulnerable to nonpayment and is dependent upon favorable business, financial, and economic conditions for the obligor to meet its financial commitments on the obligation.
- **D** A short-term obligation rated 'D' is in default or in breach of an imputed promise. For non-hybrid capital instruments, the 'D' rating category is used when payments on an obligation are not made on the date due, unless S&P believes that such payments will be made within any stated grace period. However, any stated grace period longer than five business days will be treated as five business days. The 'D' rating also will be used upon the filing of a bankruptcy petition or the taking of a similar action and where default on an obligation is a virtual certainty, for example due to automatic stay provisions. A rating on an obligation is lowered to 'D' if it is subject to a distressed debt restructuring.



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